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Advice No. 628 - Amended (Proceeding No. 10AL-008E)

Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado 1560 Broadway Suite 250 Denver, CO 80202

The accompanying tariff sheets issued by Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP, d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills") are sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Law and the applicable rules of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado, including Rule 1210, 4 *Colorado Code of Regulations* 723-1 (2009). The following sheets are attached:

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The purpose of this filing is to recover the increased costs associated with providing electric service to Colorado customers, including but not limited to, increases in ordinary operating costs, additional plant in service, and costs that have not been recovered through base rates or approved periodic adjustment clauses over the last six years since the last rate case was filed in late 2003. Components of operating costs such as labor, inflation, administrative and other costs have increased over the last five years, when the last revenue requirement increase was approved in 2004. The requested revenue increase includes recovery of these increased operating costs and will permit Black Hills Energy to cover its expenses more adequately and to provide the opportunity to earn a fair return on its investment, without operating at a loss.

This filing, if approved by the Public Utilities Commission, will increase the Company's overall electric revenues annually by \$22,973,975, or 12.84 percent, based upon the test year ending July 31, 2009. The increased revenue requirement will provide the Company with the opportunity to earn an 11.80 percent return on equity and a 9.995 percent return on rate base. The filing also incorporates into base rates an existing General Rate Schedule Adjustment II rider in effect since September 2004. Finally, the filing makes certain minor housekeeping changes to clarify text and to correct typographical errors in the tariffs. The Company has filed direct testimony and exhibits in support of the need for this revenue requirement increase.

If granted by the Commission, the requested increase would be implemented through a new General Rate Schedule Adjustment (GRSA) rider, reflected on First Revised Sheet No. 60, which will apply to base rates for all customers receiving electric power and energy under the Company's electric tariffs. The proposed GRSA rider will increase only base rates by 17.23 percent. The increase to base rates does not apply to the individual rate riders, which include the: 1) Electric Cost Adjustment; 2) Transmission Cost Adjustment; 3) Renewable Energy Standard Adjustment; and 4) Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment.

Customers of the Company as of the date of this filing will be notified of this filing pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utilities Law, by publication in newspapers of general circulation in the Black Hills Energy electric service territory. A copy of the official notice is attached hereto as Appendix A.

Black Hills Energy requests that the tariff sheets accompanying this Advice Letter become effective on February 5, 2010.

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Please send copies of all notice, pleading, correspondence, and other documents regarding this filing to the undersigned and to:

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# RESIDENTIAL SERVICE **ELECTRIC**

# **RATE DESIGNATION - RS-1**

RATE CODE - CO860

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Residential customers.

Availability:

Available for electric service through one meter for single-family domestic

use. No resale or auxiliary service permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V or 208Y/120 V\*.

\* Available only at option of Company.

Monthly Rate:

Summer

Winter

**Customer Charge:** 

\$15.19

\$15.19

**Energy Charge** 

All above 1000 kWh

0 - 1000 kWh

\$0.0757 per kWh \$0.0757 per kWh \$0.0757 per kWh

\$0.0533 per kWh

June through September billing periods.

Summer: Winter:

All other billing periods.

Payment:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from

date of bill.

Minimum Charge

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge subject to the

special terms and conditions set forth.

**Energy Cost** 

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Demand Side

Management Cost

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

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# **RATE DESIGNATION - RS-1**

RATE CODE - CO860

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider.

Special Terms and Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

- 1. Multiple Dwelling Units: Where two (2) or more dwelling units are served through one (1) meter, this rate shall be applicable by multiplying the above minimum charge and energy blocks by the number of dwelling units.
- 2. Motors: Service for single-phase motors in excess of 7-1/2 H.P. will be supplied only at the option of the Company.

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SMALL GENERAL SERVICE - NON-DEMAND **ELECTRIC** 

# RATE DESIGNATION - SGS-N

RATE CODE - CO710

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Availability:

Available for electric service supplied through one (1) meter for customers whose demands are estimated to be less than ten (10) kW. No resale or

auxiliary service permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V; three-phase, 3wire, 240 V; three-phase, 3-wire, 480 V; three-phase, 4-wire, 208Y/120 V;

three-phase, 4-wire, 120/240 V; three-phase, 4-wire, 480Y/277 V.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge:

Per customer, per month.....\$15.37

**Energy Charge:** 

All kWh used, per kWh......\$0.0813

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge subject to the

special terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

**Energy Cost** 

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

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# **RATE DESIGNATION - SGS-N**

RATE CODE - CO710

**Demand Side** 

Management Cost

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

Special Terms and

Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and

conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension

policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

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SMALL GENERAL SERVICE - DEMAND ELECTRIC

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#### RATE DESIGNATION - SGS-D

RATE CODE - CO711

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Availability:

Available for electric service supplied through one metering point. Available to customers whose actual demand is greater than ten (10) kW but less than or equal to fifty (50) kW. All customers on this rate code

must have a demand meter. No resale permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V; three-phase, 3-wire, 240 V; three-phase, 3-wire, 480 V; three-phase, 4-wire, 208Y/120 V; three-phase, 4-wire, 120/240 V; three-phase, 4-wire, 480Y/277 V.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge:

Per customer, per month.....\$22.03

Demand Charge:

All kW of billing demand, per kW......\$11.57

**Energy Charge:** 

All kWh used, per kWh.....\$0.0226

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge subject to the

special terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

Energy Cost Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

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# SMALL GENERAL SERVICE - DEMAND (CONTINUED) **ELECTRIC**

**RATE DESIGNATION - SGS-D** 

RATE CODE - CO711

Auxiliary Service Rider:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider.

Demand Side

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

Management Cost

adjustment.

Adjustment:

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider.

**Determination of Billing** 

Demand:

The billing demand shall be the highest average kilowatt (kW) load

measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use

during the billing month.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

Special Terms and

Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and

conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

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LARGE GENERAL SERVICE - SECONDARY **ELECTRIC** 

#### **RATE DESIGNATION – LGS-S**

RATE CODE - CO720

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Availability:

Available to customers whose actual demand is greater than fifty (50) kW but less than or equal to fourteen hundred (1400) kW. Available for electric service at secondary voltage levels, as herein defined, supplied through one (1) metering point. This rate is also available for customers served at higher voltage levels but not electing to own, operate and maintain distribution facilities beyond Company's point of delivery. No

resale permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, at any one standard voltage available for the

service required.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge:

Per customer, per month......\$46.78

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Demand Charge:

All kW of billing demand, per kW......\$14.26

Energy Charge per kWh:

For the first 200 kWh's per actual kW.....\$0.0235 For all over 200 kWh's per actual kW ......\$0.0222

Payment and Late

Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge plus the billing demand charge subject to the special terms and conditions hereinafter set

forth.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

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### RATE DESIGNATION - LGS-S

### RATE CODE - CO720

Auxiliary Service Rider:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider when applicable.

**Demand Side** 

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

Management Cost

Adjustment:

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Interruptible Rider:

This schedule is subject to the interruptible rider.

Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

**Determination of Billing** 

Demand:

The billing demand shall be the highest average kilowatt (kW) load

measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use; or 75% of the highest maximum kW demand in the previous eleven (11)

months; or fifty (50) kW, whichever is greatest.

Power Factor Adjustment:

For the purposes of this computation, the reactive power demand shall be the highest average kilovar (kvar) load measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use during the billing month; the real power demand (kW) will be the billing demand. When the ratio of the kvar to kW demands thus determined exceeds .33, a power factor correction charge shall be applied. This charge shall be \$.38 per kvar for each kvar in excess of 33% of the kW billing demand.

Contract Period:

Not less than one year.

Special Terms and Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

For the purposes of this rate, service voltages of less than 4.16 kV line-to-

line will be considered secondary voltage levels.

If metering is at other than delivery voltage, the measured demand and energy consumption will be increased or decreased by 1% to compensate

for transformer losses.

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LARGE GENERAL SERVICE - PRIMARY **ELECTRIC** 

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RATE DESIGNATION - LGS-P

RATE CODE – CO725

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Availability:

Available to customers whose actual demand is greater than fifty (50) kW but less than or equal to fourteen hundred (1400) kW. Available for electric service at primary voltage levels, as herein defined, supplied through one (1) metering point, where customer owns, operates and maintains all distribution facilities beyond Company's point of delivery. No

resale permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, at any one standard voltage available for the

service required.

Monthly Rate:

**Customer Charge:** 

Per customer, per month.....\$78.06

Demand Charge:

All kW of billing demand, per kW.....\$14.51

Energy Charge per kWh:

For the first 200 kWh's per actual kW.....\$0.0235 For all over 200 kWh's per actual kW.....\$0.0214

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge plus the billing demand charge subject to the special terms and conditions hereinafter set

forth.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Auxiliary Service Rider:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider when applicable.

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#### RATE DESIGNATION - LGS-P

RATE CODE – CO725

Demand Side

Management Cost

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost adjustment.

Adjustment:

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

**Determination of Billing** 

Demand:

The billing demand shall be the highest average kilowatt (kW) load measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use; or 75% of the highest maximum kW demand in the previous eleven (11)

months; or fifty (50) kW, whichever is greatest.

Power Factor Adjustment:

For the purposes of this computation, the reactive power demand shall be the highest average kilovar (kvar) load measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use during the billing month; the real power demand (kW) will be the billing demand. When the ratio of the kvar to kW demands thus determined exceeds .33, a power factor correction charge shall be applied. This charge shall be \$.38 per kvar for each kvar

in excess of 33% of the kW billing demand.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

Special Terms and Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

For the purposes of this rate, service voltages of 4.16 kV or greater, but less than 69 kV line-to-line, will be considered primary voltage levels.

The point of delivery will be Company's primary metering point. Customer

must own, operate and maintain all distribution facilities such as

supporting structures, disconnect devices, transformers, fuses and wiring

beyond point of delivery.

If metering is at other than delivery voltage, the measured demand and energy consumption will be increased or decreased by 1% to compensate

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LARGE POWER SERVICE - SECONDARY ELECTRIC

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### RATE DESIGNATION - LPS-S

RATE CODE – CO730

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Applicability:

Applicable to customers whose actual demand is greater than fourteen hundred (1400) kW at least twice during a consecutive twelve (12) month period. Customers taking service under this rate designation must remain

on this rate for a minimum of twelve (12) months.

Availability:

Available for electric service at secondary voltage levels, as herein defined, supplied through one metering point. This rate is also available for customers served at higher voltage levels but not electing to own, operate and maintain distribution facilities beyond Company's point of

delivery. No resale permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, at any one standard voltage available for the

service required.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge:

Per customer, per month.....\$45.23

Demand Charge:

All kW of billing demand, per kW......\$17.96

Energy Charge per kWh:

For the first 200 kWh's per actual kW.....\$0.0247 For all over 200 kWh's per actual kW......\$0.0221

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge plus the billing demand charge subject to the special terms and conditions hereinafter set

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# RATE DESIGNATION - LPS-S

RATE CODE - CO730

**Energy Cost** 

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment. Tax/Fee Adjustment:

Auxiliary Service Rider:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider when applicable.

Demand Side

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

Management Cost

adjustment.

Adjustment:

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

**Determination of Billing** 

Demand:

The billing demand shall be the highest average kilowatt (kW) load measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use; or

75% of the highest maximum kW demand in the previous eleven (11) months; or fourteen hundred (1400) kW; or contract demand, whichever is

greatest.

Power Factor

Adjustment:

For the purposes of this computation, the reactive power demand shall be the highest average kilovar (kvar) load measured during the fifteen (15)

consecutive minutes of maximum use during the billing month; the real power demand (kW) will be the billing demand. When the ratio of the kvar to kW demands thus determined exceeds .33, a power factor correction charge shall be applied. This charge shall be \$.38 per kvar for each kvar

in excess of 33% of the kW billing demand.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

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LARGE POWER SERVICE - PRIMARY ELECTRIC

#### RATE DESIGNATION - LPS-P

#### RATE CODE - CO735

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Applicability:

Applicable to customers whose actual demand is greater than fourteen hundred (1400) kW at least twice during a consecutive twelve (12) month period. Customers taking service under this rate designation must remain an this rate for a minimum of trush to (12) months.

on this rate for a minimum of twelve (12) months.

Availability:

Available for electric service at primary voltage levels, as herein defined, supplied through one metering point, where customer owns, operates and maintains all distribution facilities beyond Company's point of delivery. No

resale permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, at any one standard voltage available for the

service required.

Monthly Rate:

**Customer Charge:** 

Per customer, per month.....\$111.74

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Demand Charge:

All kW of billing demand, per kW......\$15.00

Energy Charge per kWh:

For the first 200 kWh's per actual kW......\$0.0251
For all over 200 kWh's per actual kW.....\$0.0214

Payment and Late

Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge plus the billing demand charge subject to the special terms and conditions hereinafter set

forth.

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# RATE DESIGNATION - LPS-P

RATE CODE - CO735

**Energy Cost** 

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment. Tax/Fee Adjustment:

Auxiliary Service Rider:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider when applicable.

Demand Side

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

Management Cost Adjustment:

General Rate Schedule

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

**Determination of Billing** 

Demand:

The billing demand shall be the highest average kilowatt (kW) load measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use; or

75% of the highest maximum kW demand in the previous eleven (11) months; or fourteen hundred (1400) kW; or contract demand whichever is

greatest.

Power Factor

Adjustment:

For the purposes of this computation, the reactive power demand shall be the highest average kilovar (kvar) load measured during the fifteen (15)

consecutive minutes of maximum use during the billing month; the real power demand (kW) will be the billing demand. When the ratio of the kvar to kW demands thus determined exceeds .33, a power factor correction charge shall be applied. This charge shall be \$.38 per kvar for each kvar

in excess of 33% of the kW billing demand.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

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LARGE POWER SERVICE - TRANSMISSION **ELECTRIC** 

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#### RATE DESIGNATION - LPS-T

#### RATE CODE - CO736

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customers.

Applicability:

Applicable to customers whose actual demand is greater than fourteen hundred (1400) kW at least twice during a consecutive twelve (12) month period. Customers taking service under this rate designation must remain

on this rate for a minimum of twelve (12) months.

Availability:

Available for electric service at transmission voltage levels, as herein defined, supplied through one metering point, where customer owns. operates and maintains all distribution facilities beyond Company's point

of delivery. No resale permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, at any one standard voltage available for the

service required.

Monthly Rate:

Customer Charge:

Per customer, per month.....\$463.54

Demand Charge:

All kW of billing demand, per kW.....\$13.56

Energy Charge per kWh:

For the first 200 kWh's per actual kW.....\$0.0214 For all over 200 kWh's per actual kW ......\$0.0202

Payment and Late

Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the customer charge plus the billing demand charge subject to the special terms and conditions hereinafter set

forth.

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LARGE POWER SERVICE - TRANSMISSION (CONTINUED) **ELECTRIC** 

# RATE DESIGNATION - LPS-T

RATE CODE - CO736

**Energy Cost** 

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Auxiliary Service Rider:

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider when applicable.

Demand Side Management Cost This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

Adjustment:

General Rate Schedule

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Adjustment: Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

Determination of Billing

Demand:

The billing demand shall be the highest average kilowatt (kW) load

measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use; or 75% of the highest maximum kW demand in the previous eleven (11) months; or fourteen hundred (1400) kW; or contract demand whichever is

greatest.

Power Factor

Adjustment:

For the purposes of this computation, the reactive power demand shall be the highest average kilovar (kvar) load measured during the fifteen (15) consecutive minutes of maximum use during the billing month; the real power demand (kW) will be the billing demand. When the ratio of the kvar to kW demands thus determined exceeds .33, a power factor correction charge shall be applied. This charge shall be \$.38 per kvar for each kvar

in excess of 33% of the kW billing demand.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

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IRRIGATION PUMPING

RATE DESIGNATION – IP-1 RATE

RATE CODE - CO770

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Irrigation pumping customers.

Availability:

Available for irrigation power only, for customers served through one (1) metering point, contracting for not less than three (3) horsepower (hp) connected. Where only single-phase service is available, motors of less than ten (10) hp may be connected, if in the judgment of the Company such service can be rendered without unduly affecting existing service. Not more than one irrigation connection shall be made on any single-phase secondary extension. Three-phase service at the standard voltages listed below may be furnished where available, subject to the provisions of the extension policy. No resale or auxiliary service

permitted.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V; three-phase, 3-wire, 240 V; three-phase, 3-wire, 480 V; three-phase, 4-wire, 480Y/277 V.

Rate for Service:

**Customer Charge:** 

Per customer, per month......\$25.92

Demand Charge:

Per hp of billing demand, per year......\$52.88

**Energy Charge:** 

All kWh used, per kWh......\$0.0230

Payment and Late Payment Charge: Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

The monthly minimum charge shall be the sum of the applicable customer

and demand charges subject to the special terms and conditions

hereinafter set forth.

Energy Cost Adjustment: This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

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**IRRIGATION PUMPING (CONTINUED) ELECTRIC** 

#### RATE DESIGNATION - IP-1

### RATE CODE - CO770

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

**Demand Side** Management Cost This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

Adjustment:

General Rate Schedule Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

Contract Period:

The contract period extends one (1) year from the date of connection to the Company's system. A new one (1) year contract period starts on the

same date each year thereafter.

**Determination of Billing** Demand:

The billing demand shall be based upon the sum of the name-plate hp ratings of all motors connected.

Special Terms and Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

Customer and Demand Charges: Both customer and demand charges in this rate are based upon annual revenue requirements. They are incurred on a monthly basis (one-twelfth of the annual requirement) from the date the customer is actually connected to the Company's system. Partial month demand charges are prorated according to the same procedure used to prorate demand charges for the Company's other demand rates. Although charges are incurred during each and every month of connection, bills will only be rendered over an eight (8) month period according to the following schedule:

- March One-eighth (1/8) of annual customer and demand charges a. plus a charge for energy used between the read date for the previous year's October billing and the read date for the current March bill.
- April through October One-eighth (1/8) of annual customer and demand charges plus a charge for energy used during each billing month respectively.
- November through February No bills issued. C.

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# CO-GENERATION AND SMALL POWER PRODUCTION ELECTRIC

### RATE DESIGNATION - CG-SPP1

RATE CODE - CO700

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

All classes of service.

Availability:

Available to all qualifying facilities (QFs), as defined in Attachment 1 to Colorado Public Utilities Commission, Decision No. C82-1438, dated September 14, 1982, entitled "Colorado Public Utilities Commission Rules Implementing Sections 201 and 210, PURPA, Small Power Production and Cogeneration Facilities," with generating capabilities of 100 kW or

less.

Character of QF

Generation:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz at voltage and phase equal to that provided to the QF by the Company; otherwise, as specified by the Company.

Credits to QF:

For all energy made available to the Company: Credits will be based upon the Company's avoided cost of energy which the Company determines and files with the Public Utilities Commission each year plus the current energy cost adjustment.

Charges to QF:

For all energy used by the QF: Charges will be per the current retail

schedule applicable to the QF.

Billing or Payments to

QF:

Billing will be monthly and will include both charges and credits as calculated above. Credit balances will be carried on the QF's account and will apply against future billings but will not earn interest. The QF may request the direct payment of all or a portion of, a credit balance if it becomes substantial. The Company, while considering each case on its merits, will generally honor such requests but reserves the right to refuse

when circumstances dictate.

Energy Cost Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

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RATE DESIGNATION - CG-SPP1

RATE CODE - CO700

Special Terms and

Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in Attachment 1 to Colorado Public Utilities Commission Decision No. C82-1438, dated September 14, 1982 and the Company's rules and regulations and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

Metering will be in accordance with the Company's interconnection standards for cogeneration and small power production facilities on file with the Public Utilities Commission.

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> PRIVATE AREA LIGHTING **ELECTRIC**

#### RATE DESIGNATION - PAL-1

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Area and grounds lighting.

Availability:

Available for area lighting using street light equipment installed in accordance with Company street lighting standards, at the voltage and current of Company's established distribution system for such service, for use in lighting private areas and grounds, for protective and safety

purposes only.

This rate will not be applicable or available to new customers after March

20, 1994.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V.

Monthly Rate:

Dusk to Dawn burning:

Mercury Vapor Lamps - nominal lumen rating

7,000 lumens, 70 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$14.55 20,000 lumens, 154 kWh, per lamp, per month....\$24.83

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Demand Side

Management Cost

Adjustment:

This schedule is NOT subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

Purchase Power Rider: This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

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STREET, ALLEY, PARK AND HIGHWAY LIGHTING

#### **RATE DESIGNATION - SL-1**

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Street, alley, park and highway lighting.

Availability:

Available to municipalities or other governmental subdivisions, school districts and unincorporated communities and for lighting county streets, major highways and public grounds. Applicable only for lighting areas set

aside for public or municipal use.

This Rate will not be applicable or available to new customers after March

20, 1994.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V.

Monthly Rate:

Company Owned Street Lighting Fixtures:

Mercury Vapor Lamps - Burning Dusk to Dawn:

7,000 lumens, 70 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$11.86 20,000 lumens, 154 kWh, per lamp, per month....\$20.80

High Pressure Sodium Lamps - Burning Dusk to Dawn:

9,500 lumens, 47 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$11.68 27,500 lumens, 105 kWh, per lamp, per month....\$17.21 50,000 lumens, 160 kWh, per lamp, per month....\$24.89

**Customer Owned Street Lighting Fixtures:** 

Type 1:

Mercury Vapor Lamps - Burning Dusk to Dawn:

20,000 lumens, 154 kWh, per lamp, per month....\$16.22 37,000 lumens, 262 kWh, per lamp, per month....\$24.42

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#### **RATE DESIGNATION - SL-1**

Monthly Rate:

Type 2:

High Pressure Sodium Lamps - Burning Dusk to Dawn:

16,000 lumens, 68 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$8.83 50,000 lumens, 160 kWh, per lamp, per month .... \$15.75

Payment and Late

Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Demand Side Management Cost

Adjustment:

This schedule is NOT subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

Contract Period:

Not less than five (5) years.

Special Terms and

Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and

conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

The following provisions are intended to apply generally and in the absence of any precedential, Commission-approved, contractual

agreements between the customer and the Company.

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# TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTING **ELECTRIC**

# **RATE DESIGNATION - SL-2**

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Municipalities, governmental agencies and subdivisions, and other customers who operate traffic signals on public thoroughfares or

highways.

Availability:

Customers operating police and fire alarm lights, traffic lights, or other signal or warning lights owned, operated and maintained by the customer.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 volts.

Monthly Rate:

Traffic Signals - Stop and Go

All kWh used, per month, per kWh.....\$0.0504

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Flashers - Including School Flashers,

per installation, per month.....\$2.48

Payment and Late

Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill

shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Demand Side

Management Cost

Adjustment:

This schedule is NOT subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

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> STREET / SECURITY LIGHTING **ELECTRIC**

#### RATE DESIGNATION - SSL-1

Effective In:

All territory served.

Classification:

Street, alley, park, highway, area and ground lighting.

Availability:

Available to municipalities or other governmental subdivisions, school districts, and unincorporated communities and for lighting county streets,

major highways and public grounds.

Available for area lighting using street light equipment installed in accordance with Company street lighting standards, at the voltage and current of the Company's established distribution system for such service. for use in lighting private areas and grounds, for protective and safety

purposes.

Character of Service:

Alternating current, 60 Hertz, single-phase, 120/240 V.

Monthly Rate:

Customer owned ...... See Applicable Section Company owned ...... See Unmetered Facilities Table

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

**Demand Side** 

Management Cost

Adjustment:

This schedule is NOT subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

Purchase Power Rider: This schedule is subject to the purchase power rider when applicable.

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# **RATE DESIGNATION - SSL-1**

# MONTHLY RATE - UNMETERED FACILITIES TABLE

		INVESTMENT OPTION					
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		Mo.	Cust. 0%	Cust. 25%	Cust. 50%	Cust. 75%	Cust 100%
Style/Lamp	Lumens	kWh	BHE 100%	BHE 75%	BHE 50%	BHE 25%	BHE 0%
Single Globe							
14'/18'70W HPS	5670	28	\$19.34				\$2.42
14'/18'100W HPS	7920	40	\$21.76				\$3.62
14'/18'150W HPS	13500	60	\$21.76				\$4.83
Multiple Globe (5)							
14'/18'70W HPS	28350	140	\$74.96				\$10.89
14'/18'100W HPS	39600	200	\$84.62				\$18.14
14'/18'150W HPS	67500	300	\$84.62				\$22.97
Lantem							
18'100W HPS	7920	40	\$26.59				\$3.62
18'250W HPS	27000	100	\$30.23				\$7.25
Acorn							······································
14'100W HPS	7920	40	\$21.76				\$3.62
18'250W HPS	27000	100	\$33.85		\$20.55	\$14.51	\$7.25
18'400W HPS	45000	160	\$37.48				\$10.89
Shoebox						<del> </del>	
20'100W HPSSteel	7920	40	\$31.44				\$3.62
20'250W HPS/MHSteel	27000/17000	100	\$35.06			\$14.51	\$7.25
30'400W HPS/MHSteel	45000/28800	160	\$37.48		****		\$10.89
30'400W HPS/MHSteel	90000/57600	320	\$56.82				\$21.76
(Dual Head)							
Private Area Lights							
35' wood100W HPS	7920	70	\$20.55	\$15.72	\$12.09	\$7.25	\$3.62
35' wood250W HPS	27000	160	\$24.18	\$19.34	\$15.72	\$10.89	\$7.25
Flood Light Structure							
14'150W HPS	13500	60	\$21.76			\$8.46	\$4.83
18'400W HPS	45000	160	\$29.01			\$15.72	\$10.89
St. Lights Cobraheads		•					
100W - Steel HPS	7920	40	\$25.39			\$8.46	\$3.62
250W - Steel HPS	27000	100	\$30.23	\$24.18		\$13.30	\$7.25
400W - Steel HPS	45000	160	\$33.85	****	\$21.76		\$10.89
100W - Wood HPS	7920	40	\$14.51		\$8.46	\$6.04	\$3.62
250W - Wood HPS	27000	100	\$19.34		\$13.30	\$9.67	\$7.25
400W - Wood HPS	45000	160	\$22.97			\$13.30	\$10.89

NOTE 1: At all times the Company owns and maintains the property regardless of any investment option selected by the customer.

2: Options B, C and D are frozen and not available to new customers after March 1, 2005.

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STREET / SECURITY LIGHTING (CONTINUED)
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#### RATE DESIGNATION - SSL-1

# **Special Provisions:**

### A. Residential Subdivision Street Lighting

The Company will furnish, erect, operate and maintain all necessary equipment in accordance with its standard specifications. It is the responsibility of Home Builders' Association or unincorporated communities to pay monthly charges as per terms and conditions of the contract.

In the event when Home Builders' Association, unincorporated communities or any other agencies dissolve, the customers related to those lighting areas shall equally share the monthly charges as established as per terms and conditions of the contract.

### B. Cities, Municipalities and Governmental Agencies

This B does not apply to individual homeowners, Home Builders' Associations or any unincorporated agencies.

Due to any reasons if cities, municipalities and governmental agencies decide to install street/security lighting to meet their specifications and necessities, a special contract with the new rate will be issued by the Company as dictated by franchise or special agreements. This shall at least cover the cost necessary to provide energy and maintenance of the street/security lighting.

#### EXISTING CUSTOMERS UNDER FROZEN RATE PAL-1

Monthly Rate:

Mercury Vapor Lamps - nominal lumen rating

175W - 7,000 lumens, 70 kWh, per lamp, per month ......\$14.55 400W - 20,000 lumens, 154 kWh, per lamp, per month ...\$24.83

Customers available under this rate have two (2) options. One option is to convert MV to HPS and the other option is to stay with mercury vapor lamps and continue with payment of the existing rate.

The option of converting 175W Mercury Vapor (MV) to 100W High Pressure Sodium (HPS) would involve a one time conversion charge and monthly payment rate for 100W HPS of \$13.30, and 400W MV to 250W HPS would involve a one time conversion charge and monthly payment charge of \$16.93.

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#### **RATE DESIGNATION - SSL-1**

# **EXISTING CUSTOMERS UNDER FROZEN RATE SL-1**

Monthly Rate:

Company Owned Street Lighting Fixtures:

Mercury Vapor Lamps

175W - 7,000 lumens, 70 kWh, per lamp, per month ......\$11.86 400W - 20,000 lumens, 154 kWh, per lamp, per month ...\$20,80

High Pressure Sodium Lamps

9,500 lumens, 47 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$11.68 27,500 lumens, 105 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$17.21 50,000 lumens, 160 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$24.89

Mercury Vapor and Metal Halide under frozen Rate SL-1 for Company owned lighting fixtures are no longer available to new customers after March 20, 1994.

Customers under frozen Rate SL-1, (having High Pressure Sodium Lamps) will continue paying the same rate; and the rate shall not be offered to new customers after March 20, 1994.

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#### **RATE DESIGNATION - SSL-1**

# **EXISTING CUSTOMERS UNDER FROZEN RATE SL-1**

Monthly Rate:

**Customer Owned Street Lighting Fixtures:** 

Type 1

Mercury Vapor Lamps

20,000 lumens, 154 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$16.22 I 37,000 lumens, 262 kWh, per lamp, per month.....\$24.42 D

Type 2

High Pressure Sodium Lamps
16,000 lumens, 68 kWh, per lamp, per month.....\$8.83

50,000 lumens, 160 kWh, per lamp, per month......\$15.75

Type 1 Mercury Vapor under frozen Rate SL-1 for customer owned lighting fixtures are no longer available and shall not be offered to new customers after March 20, 1994.

Customers under frozen Rate SL-1 (Customer owned) having HPS lamps will continue paying the same rate; and the rate shall not be offered to new customers after March 20, 1994.

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VOLUNTARY LOAD CURTAILME	NT (VLC) RIDER
ELECTRIC	

Effective In:

All territory served.

Availability:

This Rider is available to any nonresidential Customer that has a peak demand in the past twelve (12) months exceeding two hundred fifty (250) kW and that has a contract with the Company for service under this Rider. Availability is further subject to the economic and technical feasibility of required metering equipment. The decision to execute a contract with any

Customer under this Rider is subject to the sole discretion of the

Company. The decision to reduce load upon request of the Company is

subject to the sole discretion of each eligible Customer.

Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules and regulations.

Minimum Charge:

Charges for service shall be computed in accordance with the applicable

rate schedule.

Energy Cost Adjustment:

This schedule is NOT subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Auxiliary Service Rider:

This schedule is subject to the auxiliary service rider when applicable.

Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment: This schedule is NOT subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule

Adjustment:

This schedule is NOT subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Purchase Power Rider:

This schedule is NOT subject to the purchase power rider.

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GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT (GRSA) **ELECTRIC** 

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The charge for electric service calculated under the Company's electric base rate schedules shall be increased by 17.23 percent. The above GRSA shall not apply to charges determined by the Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA), Renewable Energy Standard Adjustment, Transmission Cost Adjustment (TCA) or Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment (DSMCA).

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INTERRUPTIBLE RIDER ELECTRIC

Effective In:

All territory served.

Availability:

This rider is available for electric service through one (1) metering point and to customers who:

- Qualify for Company rate schedules Large General Service and Large Power Service.
- 2. Dedicate at least one thousand (1000) kW to interruption at any time.
- 3. At their expense:
  - a) Arrange their wiring to place the load subject to interruptible service on a separate circuit.
  - b) Provide facilities to accommodate the metering for the interruptible circuit as herein defined.
- 4. Submit a written application to the Company requesting this Interruptible Rider.
- 5. Are approved by the Company according to the provisions set forth herein.

The Company reserves the right to limit the total interruptible load scheduled under this rider

Exception to Availability:

Customers on the existing Interruptible Large General Service – Secondary, Primary or Transmission rate as of March 1, 2005 are eligible for this Rider at the time their existing rate is abolished. If they decide not to take service under this Rider or terminate service under this Rider then they must meet the above availability requirements in the future to be eligible for this Rider.

Monthly Rate:

Credit on dedicated demand reduction:

Per KW per month for Secondary\$8.76	1
Per KW per month for Primary\$8.53	
Per KW per month for Transmission\$8.31	1

The Customer shall receive a monthly bill credit for each Summer month of the contract year in which the Customer qualifies. The amount of this credit will be equal to their dedicated interruptible demand times the above rate.

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Payment and Late Payment Charge:

Bills for electric service are due and payable within ten (10) days from date of bill. Any amounts not paid on or before the due date of the bill shall be subject to a late payment charge set forth in the Company's rules

and regulations.

Contract Period:

Not less than one (1) year.

**Energy Cost** Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the energy cost adjustment.

Tax/Fee Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the tax/fee adjustment.

Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the demand side management cost

adjustment.

General Rate Schedule Adjustment:

This schedule is subject to the general rate schedule adjustment.

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Special Terms and Conditions:

Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's rules and regulations, and extension policy on file with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado.

For the purposes of this rate, the loads used in the cumulative total will be determined by the Company on an expected value basis using actual meter data indicative of loads which can be interrupted during the hours of 10 a.m. and 9 p.m., weekdays, during the Summer months. The Company will use estimates when such meter data is not available.

#### Interruptions:

Notice: The Company may interrupt service under this schedule at any time during the summer months of June, July, August and September without advance notice. While no advance notice is required, the Company will endeavor to give customer at least thirty minutes prior notice.

Period of Interruption: A period of interruption is a time interval which commences upon interruption and which ends upon notification by the Company of the end of period of interruption.

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Date of Notice: January 5, 2010

# CORRECTED NOTICE OF INCREASE IN ELECTRIC RATES By Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP d/b/a Black Hills Energy

You are hereby notified that Black Hills/Colorado Electric Utility Company, LP, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, 105 South Victoria Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado, 81003, has filed with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado ("Commission"), in compliance with the Public Utilities Law and pursuant to Colo. Rev. Stat. §§ 40-3-111 and 40-6-111, new tariffs to increase its existing base rates for electric service to become effective on **February 5, 2010**. The proposed new tariffs would affect all retail customers if the Commission allows the tariffs to become effective.

The purpose of this request is to recover the increased costs associated with providing electric service to Colorado customers, including but not limited to, increases in ordinary operating costs, additional plant in service, and costs that have not been recovered through base rates or approved periodic adjustment clauses over the past six years since the last rate case was filed in late 2003. Components of operating costs such as labor, inflation, administrative and other costs have increased over the last five years, when the last revenue requirement increase was approved in 2004. The requested revenue increase includes recovery of these increased operating costs and will permit Black Hills Energy to cover its expenses more adequately and the opportunity to earn a fair return on its investment, without operating at a loss.

The filing will incorporate into base rates the existing General Rate Schedule Adjustment II rider in effect since September 2004. If granted by the Commission, the requested increase would be implemented through a new General Rate Schedule Adjustment (GRSA) rider, reflected on First Revised Sheet No. 60, which will apply to base rates for all customers receiving electric power and energy under the Company's electric tariffs.

If the Black Hills Energy rate request is granted by the Commission, the effect of applying the new GRSA rider to bills for electric service to all Colorado customers issued on or after **February 5, 2010** will result in increased revenues of approximately \$22,973,975, or a 12.84 percent increase in annual revenues.

Under the proposal, the average residential customer would receive an increase of approximately \$10.79 per month. An average small business customer would receive an increase of approximately \$36.00 per month. Large volume customers may call Black Hills Energy at 719-546-6474 to obtain information concerning how the requested increase in rates would affect them.

Copies of the Advice Letter, tariffs and testimony filed with the Commission are available for examination and explanation at the public offices of Black Hills Energy in Pueblo or at the office of the Public Utilities Commission, 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado 80202. In addition, the Company's present tariffs and rules and regulations may be viewed at

www.blackhillsenergy.com and the applicable Colorado statutes and Commission rules may be viewed at www.dora.state.co.us/PUC.

Any person may file written comments or objections to the tariffs, or an intervention to participate as a party pursuant to applicable Commission rules, or may contact the Colorado Public Utilities Commission, 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado 80202; Phone: 303-894-2000 or 1-800-888-0170; email: puc@dora.state.co.us. Filing of written objections or intervention pleadings must be made at least ten (10) days prior to the proposed effective date. The Commission will consider all written comments and objections submitted prior to any evidentiary hearing on the tariffs. Any person desiring information regarding if and when hearings may be held shall submit a written request to the Commission or, alternatively, shall contact the External Affairs section of the Commission at 303-894-2000 or 1-800-888-0170.

Filing a written objection by itself will not allow you to participate as a party in any proceeding established in these matters. If you wish to participate as a party in this matter, you must file written intervention documents under Commission Rule 723-1-1401, 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-1, or any applicable Commission order.

The Commission may suspend the effective date of the proposed tariffs, rates, rules or regulations. The Commission may hold an evidentiary hearing to determine which tariffs, rates, rules and regulations will be authorized. The Commission may hold a public hearing in addition to an evidentiary hearing, and if such a hearing is held, members of the public may attend and make statements even if they did not file comments, objections or an intervention. If the tariffs are uncontested or unopposed, the Commission may determine the matter without a hearing and without further notice.

By: Stuart Wevik

Vice President, Electric Utilities