

**NOTICE OF FILING FOR RATE CHANGE IN THE SYSTEM SAFETY AND INTEGRITY RIDER
of Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc. d/b/a Black Hills Energy**

You are hereby notified that Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc. d/b/a Black Hills Energy (“BHCG” or “Company”) 7060 Alegre Street Fountain, Colorado 80817, has filed an advice letter and revised tariffs with the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado (“Commission”), to increase the System Safety and Integrity Rider (“SSIR”) rates affecting all customers in rate areas 2 and 3. The SSIR provides adequate funding for the ongoing projects that mitigate risks that exist on the Company’s natural gas system. The mechanism allows the Company to recover the costs associated with certain pipeline safety and integrity investments, including the replacement of higher risk pipe, the improvement of the data management system, and the mitigation of other safety issues identified on the Company’s natural gas system. The proposed changes result in an increase in annual revenues of \$575,043 in rate area 2 and \$413,903 in rate area 3. The rate change will become effective with the volumes taken on and after January 1, 2024.

The table below provides the average monthly increase by dollar amount and percentage for residential and small commercial customers. All other customer classes may contact the Company at (888) 890-5554 to obtain information regarding how the increase will affect them.

Base Rate Area	GCA Region and Communities Served	Residential				Small Commercial			
		Current Average Monthly Bill	Proposed Average Monthly Bill	Monthly Change	Percent Change	Current Average Monthly Bill	Proposed Average Monthly Bill	Monthly Change	Percent Change
2	<u>Central GCA Region</u> communities in Bent, Crowley, and Otero Counties, including the towns of Fowler, La Junta, Las Animas, Rocky Ford, and Swink	\$74.98	\$76.61	\$1.63	2.2%	\$153.51	\$156.38	\$2.87	1.90%
2	<u>North/Southwest GCA Region</u> communities in Cheyenne, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, Weld, Archuleta, La Plata, Mineral and Yuma Counties, including the towns of Akron, Wray Pagosa Springs, Bayfield and Yuma	\$86.39	\$88.02	\$1.63	1.9%	\$180.18	\$183.05	\$2.87	1.60%
3	<u>Central GCA Region</u> Castle Rock south to Monument, Fountain, Woodland Park, east to Kiowa, Limon and Burlington, and the surrounding areas to these communities	\$77.39	\$77.72	\$0.33	0.4%	\$113.53	\$114.02	\$0.49	0.40%

Copies of the proposed and present tariffs as filed with the Commission are available for inspection at the public offices of the Company at 7060 Alegre Street, Fountain, Colorado 80817; or, at the office of the Commission, 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado 80202. Customers with questions concerning the proposed or present tariffs may call the Commission at (303) 894-2000; or, may contact the Company by telephone at (888) 890-5554 or by email custserv@blackhillscorp.com. In addition, the Company’s proposed and present tariffs may be viewed at www.blackhillsenergy.com and the applicable Colorado statutes and Commission rules may be viewed at <https://puc.colorado.gov>.

Any person may file written comments or objections concerning the filing, or may request written notice of any hearing, with the Commission at 1560 Broadway, Suite 250, Denver, Colorado, 80202 or <https://puc.colorado.gov/puccomments>. Requests for written notices can also be made to the Commission by telephone at (303) 894-2000 or, alternatively, by contacting the External Affairs section of the Commission at its local number (303) 894-2070 or toll free number (800) 456-0858.

The Commission will consider all written comments and objections submitted prior to the evidentiary hearing. Filing a written objection (protest) 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 an intervention in accordance with Rule 1401 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure or any applicable Commission order.

The Commission may hold a hearing to determine which rates, rules, and regulations will be authorized. If a hearing is held, any member of the public may attend the hearing and may make a statement under oath about the proposed tariffs, whether or not he or she has filed an objection or intervention. If the filing is uncontested or unopposed, the Commission may determine the matter without a hearing and without further notice.

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