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

The accompanying tariff sheets issued by Black Hills Colorado Electric, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills" or the "Company"), are sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Law, the applicable rules of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado, including Rule 1210, 4 *Colorado Code of Regulations* 723-1, the Commission's Decision No. C24-0447, and the Company's tariff rules on Sheets 94D, 94D1, and 94I. The following tariff sheets are attached:

COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 11

Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number	Title of Sheet	Cancels Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number	
Third Revised Tariff Sheet No. 94D	COMMUNITY SOLAR GARDEN SERVICE (CONTINUED) ELECTRIC	Second Revised Tariff Sheet No. 94D	
First Revised Tariff Sheet No. 94D1	COMMUNITY SOLAR GARDEN SERVICE (CONTINUED) ELECTRIC	Original Tariff Sheet No. 94D1	
Seventh Revised Tariff Sheet No. 94I	COMMUNITY SOLAR GARDEN SERVICE (CONTINUED) ELECTRIC	Sixth Revised Tariff Sheet No. 94I	

The purpose of this filing is to update the Annual and Fixed Bill Credits to be applicable for the 2026 time period. The Company files the amended tariff sheets to comply with this directive. The amended tariff sheets are to become effective January 1, 2026.

The new CSG Fixed Bill Credit option applies only to CSG subscribers and are used to determine the CSG subscriber's monthly bill credit. The Subscriber must elect to the utility prior to production either the Annual Bill Credit option or the Fixed Bill Credit option. Specifically, CSG Annual Bill Credits are the dollar amount on a per kWh basis paid to each subscriber for their share of photovoltaic energy that is produced by the CSG and delivered to

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the Company, whereas Fixed Bill Credits are elected at the beginning of the CSG production period and remain constant for the life of the project.

CSG Annual & Fixed Bill Credits have no effect on the Company's revenues because the credits are paid from the Company's Renewable Energy Standard Account.

Whichever type of bill credit is elected by the subscriber organization, each is determined in the same manner, by subtracting from the Total Aggregate Retail Rate ("TARR") the transmission and distribution costs attributable to each class as identified in Proceeding No. 24AL-0275E, as reflected in the Company's Tariff Sheet No. 94D. When calculating the applicable billing credit for commercial or industrial customers, the utility's TARR shall be determined using the average charges and usage for the subscriber's rate class.

Consistent with the Company's tariff, the proposed CSG Annual and Fixed Bill Credit calculation includes the Company's most recently approved Phase II electric rates for Transmission and Distribution components.

The revised tariff Sheet No. 94I, if allowed to go into effect by the Commission, will decrease the current CSG Fixed and Annual Bill Credit amounts for Regular & Net-Metered Residential, Residential Other, Small General Service, Large General Service Secondary, Large General Service Primary, Large Power Service Secondary, and Irrigation Pumping during the 2026 billing year. The credit for Large Power Service Transmission customers will increase. CSG Annual and Fixed Bill Credits for Large Power Service Primary will remain unchanged. However, there are currently no Large Power Service or Large General Service customers receiving CSG Bill Credits. For each new year of implementation of the fixed bill credit option, the fixed bill credit rates are equal to the annual bill credit rates for that year. The proposed CSG Annual & Fixed Bill Credit impact for customers by rate sub-class is as follows:

Table 1: Community Solar Garden (CSG) Annual & Fixed Bill Credits

Class	Subclass	2025 CSG Annual and Fixed Bill Credit per kWh	Proposed 2026 CSG Annual & Fixed Bill Credit per kWh	\$ Difference	% Change
Residential	Regular	\$0.1126	\$0.0943	-\$0.0183	-16.25%
Residential	Other	\$0.0864	\$0.0408	-\$0.0456	-52.78%
Small General Service		\$0.1148	\$0.0879	-\$0.0269	-23.43%
Large General Service	Secondary	\$0.0913	\$0.0844	-\$0.0069	-7.56%

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Large General Service	Primary	\$0.0902	\$0.0736	-\$0.0166	-18.40%
Large Power Service	Secondary	\$0.0016	$(0.0197)^{I}$	-\$0.0213	-1,331.25%
Large Power Service	Primary	\$0.0691	\$0.0691	\$0.0000	0.00%
Large Power Service	Transmission	\$0.0895	\$0.0937	\$0.0042	4.69%
Irrigation	Pumping	\$0.0965	\$0.0818	-\$0.0147	-15.23%

¹This credit is negative since there is a minimal number of customers on this rate and the revenue is based off of 2024 data, while the Transmission & Distribution (T&D) credits are based on the result of the recent rate case approved in 2025.. However, currently no LPS customers are participating in a CSG to receive bill credits.

Attached hereto are Appendices A, B, and C. Appendix A provides the applicable tariff sheets. Appendix B provides a redlined version of the applicable tariff sheets. Appendix C provides support for the calculation of the CSG Annual & Fixed Bill Credits.

This filing will be noticed pursuant to the requirements of the Colorado Public Utilities Law. Concurrent with this filing, Black Hills files a Motion for Alternative Form of Notice ("Motion") with an Attachment 1 Customer Notice ("Customer Notice"). The Motion requests Commission approval for three methods of providing the Customer Notice to affected customers. First, the Company will file with the Commission and keep open for inspection, Advice Letter No. 899-Electric and will post the notice and filing information on its website. Second, a bill message will be printed on each applicable customer's bill providing the website URL for the Customer Notice and Advice Letter No. 899-Electric and its accompanying tariff sheets, and a toll-free phone number for assistance, beginning within one week after the filing of Advice Letter No. 899-Electric. The bill message will run for one full billing cycle. Third, newspaper legal notices providing the Customer Notice will be published in three newspapers of general circulation covering the Company's service territory: *The Pueblo Chieftain, The Cañon City Daily Record*, and *The Rocky Ford Daily Gazette*.

Black Hills requests that the tariff sheet accompanying this advice letter become effective on January 1, 2026.

Please send copies of all notices, pleadings, correspondence, and other documents regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Black Hills Colorado Electric, LLC

/s/ Daniel S. Ahrens

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