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ENERGY ASSISTANCE SYSTEM BENEFIT CHARGE (EASBC)
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Energy Assistance System Benefit Charge (EASBC) is a mandatory, monthly charge collected by the Company from all utility customers unless customers opt-out or are otherwise exempted.

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EASBC was enacted in Colorado House Bill 1105 (2021) and is codified in statute at §40-8.7-104(2.5), C.R.S.

EASBC financially contributes to low-income utility assistance. The assistance is administered by Energy Outreach Colorado (EOC). Customers may call 1-866-HEAT-HELP for information on qualifying for low-income utility assistance.

Customers may opt out of EASBC by notifying Black Hills Energy at eaoptout@blackhillscorp.com.

Black Hills will automatically exempt customers from EASBC for the succeeding twelve months where such customers received direct utility bill payment assistance in the previous twelve months.

EASBC effective to all utility customers

<u>Effective On and After</u>	<u>Rate Schedules</u>	<u>Monthly Charge</u>
<u>October 1, 2021</u>	<u>All</u>	<u>\$0.50</u>
<u>October 1, 2022</u>	<u>All</u>	<u>\$0.75</u>
<u>October 1, 2023</u>	<u>All</u>	<u>See Note</u>

Note: The Monthly Charge shall adjust annually each October 1, beginning in 2023, based on the annual percentage change in the published Index for July in the previous year and July in the current year. Index shall mean the U.S. Dept. of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for Denver-Aurora-Lakewood for All Items and All Urban Consumers, or its successor index.

EASBC will not be subject to any riders.

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