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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 and the applicable rules of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado, including Rule 1210, 4 *Colorado Code of Regulations* 723-1. The following tariff sheets are attached:

**COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 11**

<b>Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number</b>	<b>Title of Sheet</b>	<b>Cancels Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number</b>
First Revised Sheet No. 3	TABLE OF CONTENTS (CONTINUED) – ELECTRIC	Original Sheet No. 3
Original Sheet No. 3A	TABLE OF CONTENTS (CONTINUED) – ELECTRIC	NA
Original Sheet No. 107	ATO DUAL FEEDER SERVICE – ELECTRIC	NA
Original Sheet No. 107A	ATO DUAL FEEDER SERVICE (CONTINUED) – ELECTRIC	NA
Original Sheet No. 107B	ATO DUAL FEEDER SERVICE (CONTINUED) – ELECTRIC	NA

The principal purpose of this filing is to establish a new, optional ATO Dual Feeder Service tariff for Commercial, Industrial and Institutional customer classifications where demand-metered. Lighting and Irrigation Pumping rate classifications are excluded. The proposed new tariff is to become effective December 8, 2020.

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ATO Dual Feeder Service is supplemental electric service provided by the Company at the request of the customer. The service is provided at Primary or Secondary Voltage, based on the applicable rate schedule(s) of the customer.

A customer electing ATO Dual Feeder Service will receive electric service from an alternate substation unit source when the electric service from the preferred substation unit source is lost for any reason. ATO Dual Feeder Service is provided under special terms and conditions provided in the tariff sheets, including four conditions:

- 1. Automated Throw Over (“ATO”) equipment is installed at the customer’s premise.** The ATO equipment shall provide automated load transfer to the alternate substation unit source. The ATO equipment shall be procured, installed, owned, and operated by the Company. The customer is responsible for all upfront capital and installation costs for the ATO equipment. Such costs shall be paid as a non-refundable contribution in aid of construction. In the alternative, the Company may allow the Customer to enter into a payment arrangement plan with the Company under mutually accepted terms as defined in a written agreement. The customer is responsible for upgrades and replacement parts for the ATO equipment.
- 2. New line extension facilities are installed, as necessary, between the customer’s premise and the alternate substation unit source.** Where dedicated line extension facilities are necessary, as deemed by the Company, the customer is responsible for all upfront capital and installation costs. Such costs shall be paid as non-refundable contribution in aid of construction.
- 3. ATO Reserved Capacity Charge is paid by the customer each month.** The charge is based on the tariff rates proposed herein (\$/kW) multiplied by the maximum demand, in kilowatts, that is reserved from the deliverable capacity at the alternate substation unit source. The maximum demand reserved on the alternate substation shall be mutually agreed upon between the customer and the Company in a written agreement.
- 4. A grandfathered exemption is provided to customers with existing supplemental electric service at a legacy delivery point.** The exemption expires when the existing ATO equipment at the customer’s legacy delivery point requires complete replacement as deemed solely by the Company. In this event, the customer may elect new supplemental service under the terms and conditions of this ATO Dual Feeder Service tariff.

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The proposed rates for the ATO Reserved Capacity Charge are cost-based and class-allocated from the Company's latest Class Cost of Service model. This model was Commission-approved in the Company's last Phase II Electric Rate Proceeding No. 17AL-0477E (*see* Final Technical Conference, Exhibit CRG-6). Specifically, the costs for the ATO Reserved Capacity Charge reflect the demand-related Distribution costs, allocated to the rate sub-classes eligible for ATO Dual Feeder Service. *See* Table 1 below:

**Table 1. Tariff Rates for ATO Dual Feeder Service**

<b>Rate Designation and Sub-class</b>	<b>\$ per kW of ATO Reserved Capacity</b>
Small General Service Demand	\$4.9536
Large General Service Secondary	\$5.3327
Primary	\$3.1802
Time of Use	\$9.6586
Large Power Service Secondary	\$6.7847
Primary	\$4.7371

If permitted to go into effect on December 8, 2020, the tariff proposed herein will result in increased annual revenues to the Company, which revenues will depend on the number of customers electing this service and the applicable ATO Reserved Capacity Charges to be billed. There is no bill impact to the average residential customer under Rate Schedule RS-1. Residential customers are not eligible for the service. There is no impact to the average small commercial customer under Rate Schedule SGS-N. Non-demand metered customers are not eligible for the service.

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 calculation support for the applicable tariff rates.

This filing will be noticed pursuant to the requirements of the Colorado Public Utilities Law. Concurrently with this filing, Black Hills is filing a Motion for Alternative Form of Notice

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(“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. 793-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. 793-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. 793-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 sheets accompanying this advice letter become effective on December 8, 2020.

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

Sincerely,

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