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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 Tariff Sheet No. 5A	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC INDEX	Original Tariff Sheet No. 5A
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75A	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75B	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75C	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA

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<b>Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number</b>	<b>Title of Sheet</b>	<b>Cancels Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number</b>
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75D	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75E	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75F	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75G	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75H	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75I	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75J	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75K	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75L	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75M	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA

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<b>Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number</b>	<b>Title of Sheet</b>	<b>Cancels Colorado P.U.C. Sheet Number</b>
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75N	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75O	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75P	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75Q	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75R	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75S	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75T	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75U	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA
Original Tariff Sheet No. R75V	RULES AND REGULATIONS ELECTRIC SECTION 26 – INTERCONNECTION SERVICE (CONTINUED)	NA

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The principal purpose of this filing is to append the Company's tariff for new jurisdictional service: Section 26, Interconnection Service. Section 26 will govern the Company's interconnection of Company facilities with generating facilities owned by its customers where such facilities will operate in parallel with the Company's distribution system. Section 26 includes provision for customer-owned meter collar adapters. The tariff affects all classes of service and all classes of customers where interconnection of Customer-owned generating facilities is requested by the customer. The tariff is proposed to become effective January 18, 2022.

The tariff sheets proposed herein correspond to Decision No. C21-0298 in Commission Rulemaking Proceeding No. 19R-0654E and the statutory requirements for Meter Collar Adapters in Senate Bill 21-261 codified at C.R.S. §40-2-124 (1)(e)(I)(A.5).

The tariff sheets proposed herein serve three purposes:

1. First, to introduce new terms and conditions for interconnections and meter collar adapters. *See* Original Tariff Sheet Nos. R75 through R75V.
2. Second, to introduce new fees for interconnection requests. *See* Original Tariff Sheet No. R75D.
3. Third, to add a textual change to the Company's tariff index for Section 26, Interconnection Service. *See* First Revised Tariff Sheet No. 5A.

The proposed fees for interconnection requests will have no effect on the Company's annual revenues. The fees are cost-based and therefore revenue-neutral. The fees are assigned to the customer requesting interconnection. The fees recover Company labor time and materials expenses to fulfill a customer interconnection request.

The proposed fees for interconnection requests are as follows:

**Table 1: Fees for Interconnection Requests**

<b>Application Description</b>	<b>Fee Amount</b>
Pre-application	\$ 250
Level One	\$ 380
Level Two	\$ 760
Level Three	\$ 760

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Attached hereto are Appendices A and B. Appendix A provides the applicable tariff sheets. Appendix B provides a redlined version of the applicable tariff sheets.

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 (“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. 819-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. 819-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. 819-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 January 18, 2022.

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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