

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WYOMING

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
CHEYENNE LIGHT, FUEL AND POWER)	DOCKET NO. 20003-208-EA-22
COMPANY, D/B/A BLACK HILLS ENERGY)	(RECORD NO. 17007)
FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS)	
VOLUNTARY RENEWABLE ENERGY RIDER)	
RATE TO \$0.47 PER MONTH PER 100-KWH)	
BLOCK, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2022)	

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
(Issued February 25, 2022)

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, the Commission hereby gives notice of the Application of Cheyenne Light, Fuel and Power Company d/b/a Black Hills Energy's (CLFP or the Company) Application for authority to increase its Voluntary Renewable Energy Rider (VRER) rate as more fully described below.

1. CLFP is a public utility as defined by Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112. Black Hills Energy is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Black Hills Corporation.

2. On February 25, 2022, CLFP filed its Application requesting authority to increase its VRER rate from the current rate of \$0.43 to \$0.47 per month, per 100 kilowatt hour (kWh) block pursuant to Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 21(h), and CLFP's Tariff P.S.C. Wyo. No. 13, Fourth Revised Sheet No. 35. CLFP requests an effective date of April 1, 2022.

3. The VRER program was established in Docket No. 20003-140-ET-14 (Record No. 13958) and is available on a voluntary basis to all electric customers whose usage is 100 kWh or greater each month. The Company's VRER recovers costs of the voluntary program that enables customers who choose to support renewable energy generation to purchase renewable energy credits (RECs) in monthly 100 kWh block increments. CLFP purchases RECs from Bonneville Environmental Foundation and updates the monthly VRER rate annually on April 1st of each year.

4. The proposed \$0.47 per 100 kWh block is a two-part rate composed of the sum of REC costs of \$0.37 per block and administration costs of \$0.10 per block. The balancing account tracks VRER administrative costs and REC costs incurred by the Company and revenues received from customers. Currently, the Company forecasts an under-recovery in the balancing account of \$1,020.00 as of March 31, 2022, which includes an administrative cost under-recovery of \$161.00 and a REC cost under-recovery of \$859.00. CLFP forecasts it will sell 2,112 blocks between April 2021 and March 2022, which is equal to 211.2 RECs. CLFP expects to meet this demand with 225 RECs from inventory. Consequently, based on the under-recovery and the sale forecast, the Company calculates a new monthly rate of \$0.47 per 100 kWh block.

5. This is not a complete description of the Application. CLFP's Application is on file with the Commission at its offices in Cheyenne and may be inspected by any interested person

during regular business hours or online at: <http://psc.wyo.gov>.

6. Anyone desiring to file a statement, intervention, protest, or a request for a public hearing in this matter must so file, in writing, with the Commission on or before March 25, 2022. The petition shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing, and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please mention Docket No. 20003-208-EA-22 (Record No. 17007) in your communications.

7. If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing, which you will attend, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Wyoming Public Service Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay by dialing 711.

Dated: February 25, 2022.

8. Published notice in this matter shall consist of paragraphs 1 through 7 hereof.

9. This *Notice of Application* is effective immediately.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on February 25, 2022.

(SEAL)



BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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