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To: Public Officials and Fire Departments

Re: Training opportunity

There will be two potential training opportunities available for your community's public officials and fire department members in the coming year. Black Hills Energy (BHE) will offer one training program, and the Pipeline Association for Public Awareness (PAPA) will offer the other.

Pipeline Awareness & Education Meetings for Emergency Responders

Black Hills Energy is a member of the Pipeline Association for Public Awareness (PAPA), and as a benefit, public officials and fire department members in towns we serve are invited to join a scheduled Pipeline Awareness & Education Meetings for Emergency Responders. You will receive an invite and information from the PAPA later this year.

Firefighters may use this program to satisfy two hours toward the required 24 hours of continuous training as identified in Iowa's Minimum Training Standard. The PAPA training program is offered on a rotating basis and invitations will be mailed to scheduled counties. Even if your county is not listed for this year's training, you are eligible to attend training in a nearby county.

Black Hills Energy Public Official Training

If you were unable to attend a PAPA meeting but would still like to take part in emergency responder training in 2023, Black Hills Energy offers instruction for your police and fire departments. If you are interested in participating in this program, please contact me and we will work to coordinate a date and time that is mutually convenient.

You can reach me via email at ivan.hackman@blackhillscorp.com Mon. - Fri. from 8 am to 5 pm.

Sincerely,

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