BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission,) Application No. NG-0028/PI-97
on its own motion, seeking to)
investigate and adopt policies)
for administration of Consumer	ORDER CLOSING DOCKET
Choice Programs offered by	
Jurisdictional Utilities for	
natural gas service in Nebraska.)
) Entered: October 3, 2006

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On June 14, 2005, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened the above-captioned docket, on its own motion, to investigate and adopt policies for administration of Consumer Choice Programs offered by Jurisdictional Utilities for natural gas service in Nebraska.

Comments were filed by Aquila, Inc.; Cornerstone Energy; Inc.; NorthWestern Energy; International Media And Cultures; ONEOK, Inc.; Kinder Morgan Choice Gas Supply and Kinder Morgan Retail Energy Services Company jointly; Kinder Morgan, Inc.; Post Rock Gas, LLC; and the Public Advocate. Additionally, a public workshop was held on September 21, 2005.

The Commission finds that based upon the workshop and the written comments received, that the adoption of rules and regulations for the administration of Consumer Choice Programs offered by jurisdictional utilities for natural gas service in Nebraska would be in the public interest. The Commission further finds that this docket should be closed and incorporated into Rule and Regulation No. 167 so that formal rules and regulations may be adopted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that based upon the workshop and the written comments received, that the adoption of rules and regulations for the administration of Consumer Choice Programs offered by jurisdictional utilities for natural gas service in Nebraska is in the public interest.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this docket is closed and incorporated into Rule and Regulation No. 167 so that formal rules and regulations may be adopted.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 3rd day of October, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director