

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills/  
Nebraska Gas Utility Company,  
LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy,  
Omaha, seeking a General Rate  
Increase for Black Hills  
Energy's Rate Areas One, Two and  
Three (Consolidated). ) Application No. NG-0061  
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) ORDER SCHEDULING  
) INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP AND  
) PLANNING CONFERENCE  
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)  
) Entered: December 8, 2009

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 1, 2009, Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Omaha (Black Hills) filed an application seeking approval of a general rate increase. In order to provide the Commission an overview of the filing, the Commission finds that an informational workshop should be scheduled so that Black Hills may explain the various elements of the filing.

The informational workshop is scheduled for **January 12, 2010**, immediately following the Commission's 10:00 a.m. CST regular public meeting in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The workshop is not intended to be a forum for advocacy of any particular issue within the filing and will not become part of the official record in this matter.

Additionally, in order to process this filing, a planning conference is scheduled in this matter on **January 12, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. CST** or immediately following the informational workshop in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. All parties shall be prepared to discuss the procedural schedule for the application including discovery and filing deadlines as well as hearing dates and briefing schedules.

In order to assist in the discussions during the planning conference, staff will release a proposed procedural schedule prior to January 12, 2010.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that an informational workshop be scheduled for **January 12, 2010**, immediately following the Commission's 10:00 a.m. CST public meeting in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a planning conference is scheduled in this matter on **January 12, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. CST or immediately following the informational workshop** in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of December, 2009.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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*John F. Funder*  
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*Tim Schram*

ATTEST:

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Executive Director

//s// Frank E. Landis