## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills/	)	Application No. NG-0061
Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC,	)	
d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Omaha,	)	
seeking a General Rate Increase for	) .	ASSESSMENT ORDER NO. HS-00
Black Hills Energy's Rate Areas One,	)	
Two and Three (Consolidated).	ĵ	
	)	Entered: February 23, 2010

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received an invoice dated February 1, 2010, from Harding & Shultz (HS) for costs associated with the above-captioned docket, totaling \$22,745.88. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found them to conform to the Agreement dated November 15, 2008, between the Commission and Harding & Shultz.

Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the expenses reflected on the invoice against Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC (Black Hills), pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 66-1840. Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the expenses reflected on the invoice pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 66-1840.

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment from Black Hills of the expenses reflected in the above-mentioned invoice from Harding & Shultz should be approved.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commission that the above-mentioned assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment of the above-mentioned amount be made upon receipt of payment by Black Hills/Nebraska Utility Company, LLC.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 23rd day of February, 2010.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman Seuld J. Wy
ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s// Gerald L. Vap

//s// Frank E. Landis