

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills/) Application No. NG-0074.1
Nebraska Gas Utility Company,)
LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy,) NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT AND
Omaha, Nebraska, seeking ap-) ORDER ADOPTING PROGRESSION
proval of an infrastructure sys-) SCHEDULE AND SETTING
tem replacement cost recovery) HEARING
charge, pursuant to Sections 66-)
1865 and 66-1866 of the State)
Natural Gas Regulation Act.) Entered: April 14, 2015

BY THE COMMISSION:

On April 6, 2015, Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Omaha, Nebraska (Black Hills) filed an application seeking approval of an infrastructure system replacement cost recovery charge, pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, §§ 66-1865 and 66-1866 (2010).

Notice of Assessment

The Commission finds that it may be necessary to assess certain expenses associated with this docket to Black Hills, pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat.* § 66-1840. The Commission hereby provides notice to the utility, as required by *Neb. Rev. Stat.* § 66-1840, that expenses may be assessed.

Proposed Progression Schedule

Due to the abbreviated statutory schedule, a progression schedule must be adopted as soon as possible prior to the expiration of the period for interventions. After consultation with Black Hills and the Public Advocate, the Commission finds that the following schedule should be adopted.

Date	Event
4/6/2015	Application Filed
45 days after filing date (5/21/15)	Final date for discovery requests to be served by Public Advocate on Applicant
10 days after service of final discovery requests (6/1/15)	All discovery responses from Applicant due to Public Advocate
60 days after filing (6/5/15)	Public Advocate report due to Commission
6/15/15	Applicant files response to report

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6/29/15	All Parties file exhibit lists and witness lists
7/9/15	Hearing (10:00 a.m.)
8/4/15	Last Grist for Order to be entered within 120 days

The Commission further finds that hearing on this matter should be scheduled for **July 9, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Commission Hearing Room, 1200 N Street, Suite 300, Lincoln.

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at the meeting, please call the Commission at (402) 471-3101. For people with hearing/speech impairments, please call the Commission at (402) 471-0213 (TDD) or the Nebraska Relay System at (800) 833-7352 (TDD) or (800) 833-0920 (Voice). Advance notice of at least seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Black Hills is hereby given notice of assessment as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840.


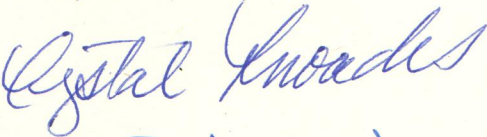

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the progression schedule set forth herein shall be adopted and hearing on this matter scheduled for **July 9, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Commission Hearing Room, 1200 N Street, Suite 300, Lincoln.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 14th day of April, 2015.

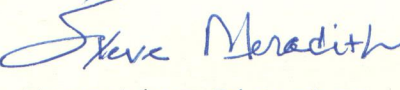
NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:


Executive Director

//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Gerald L. Vap