

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. NG-0078
SourceGas Distribution LLC, Golden)
Colorado, seeking an order) ORDER MODIFYING ORDER
authorizing it to put into effect a) APPROVING APPLICATION, IN PART
system safety and integrity rider)
tariff and system safety and)
integrity rider charge.) Entered: November 4, 2014

BY THE COMMISSION:

On May 1, 2014, SourceGas Distribution LLC (SourceGas), Golden, Colorado, filed an application seeking an order authorizing it to put into effect a system safety and integrity rider tariff and system safety and integrity rider charge (SSIR) (Application). On October 28, 2014, the Commission entered an Order Approving the Application, In Part (Final Order).

FINDINGS AND OPINION

A technical conference was held on November 3, 2014. Representatives of SourceGas, the Public Advocate, the Public Alliance for Community Energy, and Commission staff were in attendance. As a result of the conference, the parties and Commission staff have proposed certain corrections and modifications to the Final Order.

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that the Final Order should be modified as follows:

The Final Order should be amended to reflect that Chris Dibbern entered an appearance at the October 6, 2014 hearing on behalf of the Public Alliance for Community Energy.

SourceGas had proposed that the application for the SSIR be filed by November 1st annually for implementation of the charge to be effective January 1st. The Commission found in the Final Order that future applications should be filed by September 1st annually for implementation effective January 1st. In order to accommodate SourceGas' internal budget and accounting requirements, the Commission finds that the annual application and reconciliation shall be filed on or before October 1st and the implementation of the modified surcharge would be implemented on February 1st. All future SSIR filings will be made in the present docket.

SourceGas' Application reflected costs and projects associated only with 2014. The change in the originally proposed application filing date prevented SourceGas from seeking 2015 costs. The application for 2015 costs will not contain the reconciliation calculations that will be part of future filings. It will require a more limited review to ensure that the projects and associated costs are eligible and the calculations are accurate. The Commission finds that SourceGas may file an SSIR application for 2015 costs on or before November 10, 2014 with an implementation date of February 1, 2015. A planning conference will be held as soon as practical with

all parties and a procedural schedule will be established to allow for an expedited review of the application.

SourceGas shall make quarterly surveillance filings within sixty (60) days of the end of each quarter rather than the forty-five (45) days set forth in the final order. Such filing shall include calculations of the rate base separated into regular and SSIR components, the realized rates of return on the rate base components, along with supporting calculations. Additionally, the filing should include an update regarding the status of the SSIR projects costs, in-service dates, and the expected schedule over the ensuing duration of the SSIR.

Future technical conferences will be scheduled to develop guidelines for future applications, reconciliations, and surveillance filings. The remainder of the Final Order remains in effect.




O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Final Order Approving, in part SourceGas Distribution, LLC's system safety and integrity rider tariff and system safety and integrity rider charge, be and is hereby modified as set forth herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 4th day of November, 2014.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Gerald L. Vap



Vice Chairman

ATTEST:



Executive Director