BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)	Application No. NG-0078.6
of Black Hills Gas Distribution,)	
LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy for)	
authority to adjust the System)	ASSESSMENT ORDER NO. BA-005
Safety and Integrity charges)	
(2019).).	Entered: January 23, 2019

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received a letter dated January 3, 2019, from Blake Austin (Public Advocate) for costs associated with the above-captioned docket, totaling \$1,087.82. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the current Agreement between the Public Advocate and Blue Ridge.

Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the above-described invoice pursuant to $Neb.\ Rev.\ Stat.\ \S\ 66-1840.$

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment from Black Hills Energy for the above-mentioned invoice from Blue Ridge Consulting Services, Inc., should be approved. The Commission further finds that the Commission should pay the invoice upon receipt of payment by Black Hills Energy.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commission that the abovementioned assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment be made upon receipt of payment by Black Hills Energy.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 23rd day of January, 2019.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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	<u>Meters</u> 12/31/17	Percent Of Total	Prorated Assessment
Black Hills Energy	203,828	61.85%	\$58,757.50
Black Hills Distribution	83,561	25.36%	\$24,092.00
NorthWestern	42,140	12.79%	\$12,150.50
Total			\$95,000.00