

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Appli-) Application No. NG-0084
cation of SourceGas Distribution,)
LLC, SourceGas Holdings, LLC, both)
of Golden, Colorado, and Black Hills)
Utility Holdings, Inc., Papillion,) ASSESSMENT ORDER BE-003
Nebraska, seeking Necessary Authori-)
zations and Approvals for Black)
Hills Holdings, Inc. to Acquire)
SourceGas Holdings, LLC.) Entered: October 27, 2015

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 10, 2015, SourceGas Distribution, LLC (SourceGas Distribution), SourceGas Holdings, LLC (SourceGas), both of Golden, Colorado, and Black Hills Utility Holdings, Inc. (Black Hills), Papillion, Nebraska, filed a joint application seeking the necessary authorizations and approvals for Black Hills Holdings, Inc. to acquire SourceGas Holdings, LLC.

The Commission entered an order Noticing Assessment to SourceGas and Black Hills on August 18, 2015; therefore costs for services associated with the above-captioned docket will be allocated between SourceGas at 31 percent and Black Hills at 69 percent, based upon their respective meter counts as reported in the most recent annual report.

The Commission has received a letter dated October 6, 2015, from Baylor Evnen and a Blue Ridge Consulting Services (Blue Ridge) invoice for services associated with the above-captioned docket totaling \$7,401.84.

Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the Agreement dated August 12, 2015, between the Public Advocate and Blue Ridge Consulting Services (Blue Ridge).

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

Upon recommendation of Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment from SourceGas and Black Hills of the expenses reflected in the above-described invoice from the Public Advocate and Blue Ridge should be approved with the amounts allocated as follows:

	<u>12/31/14 Meter Count</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Amount to Allocate</u>	<u>Allocated Amount</u>
Black Hills	195,706	69%	\$7,401.84	\$5,107.27
SourceGas	88,113	31%	\$7,401.84	\$2,294.57

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O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above-described assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment of the invoice be made upon receipt of payment from SourceGas Distribution and Black Hills.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 27th day of October, 2015.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Tim Schram
Crystal Knodes
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//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Gerald L. Vap

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Gerald L. Vap

ATTEST:

Jeffrey L. Puley

Executive Director