

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills/)	Application No. NG-0086
Nebraska Gas Utility Company,)	
LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy,)	
Omaha, seeking Approval of its)	ASSESSMENT ORDER NO. CA-001
Cost of Service Gas Hedge)	
Agreement With Black Hills)	
Utility Holdings, Inc.)	Entered: December 15, 2015

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received an invoice dated November 9, 2015, from Christensen Associates Energy Consulting (Christensen) for costs associated with the above-captioned docket, totaling \$6,538.00. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the December 10, 2014 Agreement, Exhibit B dated June 11, 2015, between the Nebraska Public Service Commission and Christensen.

Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the above-described invoice in the amount of \$6,154.00, pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840*. The remaining balance represents charges accrued prior to the allowed date of assessment pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840(1)* and will be paid from the quarterly assessment pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1841*.

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

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment from Black Hills Energy of the expenses reflected in the above-mentioned invoice from Christensen Associates Energy Consulting should be approved for the amount of \$6,154.00. The Commission further finds that the Commission should pay the invoice upon receipt of payment by Black Hills.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commission that the above-mentioned assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment be made upon receipt of payment by Black Hills Energy. The remaining balance of the invoice for costs associated with this docket will be paid from the quarterly assessment.

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ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 15th day of December, 2015.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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//s//Frank E. Landis
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