## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In the Matter of Black Hills          | )      | Application No. NG-0 | 093    |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|
| Energy/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC,     | )      |                      |        |
| d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Papillion,  | )      |                      |        |
| Nebraska, seeking Approval of Certain | )      |                      |        |
| Accounting and Regulatory Treatment   | )      | ASSESSMENT ORDER NO. | BA-001 |
| of a Regulatory Asset Comprised of    | )      |                      |        |
| Increased Location Costs due to a     | ) '    |                      |        |
| Fiber Optics Project in Lincoln,      | )      |                      |        |
| Nebraska, and other specified relief. | ·) , , | Entered: October 24, | 2017   |

## BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received a letter dated October 4, 2017, from Blake/Austin Law Firm (Public Advocate) for costs associated with the above-captioned docket, totaling \$273.00. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the Agreement dated December 31, 2016. The Public Advocate Addendum Agreement changing the law firm to Blake/Austin Law Firm was approved by the Commission August 15, 2017.

Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the above-described invoice, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840.

## O P I N I O N A N D FINDINGS

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that the assessment from Black Hills Energy in the abovementioned invoice from Blake Austin 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 24th day of October, 2017.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Direct

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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//s//Frank E. Landis //s//Tim Schram