BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to pI-213 investigate the effect of the Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017 upon rates set by Nebraska's natural gas public utilities subject to Commission jurisdiction:

NorthWestern Energy) Application No. NG-0095.1/
PI-213

ASSESSMENT ORDER NO. BA-002

Description:

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received a letter dated July 12, 2018, from Blake Austin (Public Advocate) for costs associated with the above-captioned docket, totaling \$537.50. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the Agreement dated October 7, 2016, between the Public Advocate and Blue Ridge.

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

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that the assessment for the above-mentioned invoice from the Public Advocate should be approved. The Commission further finds that the Commission should pay the invoice upon receipt of payment from NorthWestern Energy.

ORDER

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Commission that the above-mentioned assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment be made upon receipt of payment by NorthWestern Energy.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 31st day of July, 2018.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Rod Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Crystal Rhoades
//s//Mary Ridder

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director