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March 3, 2025

Ret. Colonel Thomas Golden Executive Director Nebraska Public Service Commission 1200 N Street, Suite 300 Lincoln, NE 68508

Re: Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy Non-regulated Agricultural Infrastructure Repair Charge

Dear Ret. Col. Golden:

Pursuant to section 66-1810(2) of the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66 - 1810 (2), Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("hereafter Black Hills Energy") hereby provides notice to the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") that effective with April 2025 billing, Black Hills Energy will implement a new annual charge for customers served in the Agricultural Choice Gas Program Rate Area 5.

Black Hills Energy's Residential and Commercial customers subject to the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Public Service Commission are not affected by this notice or applicable charge. In addition, Residential/Commercial Customers in Rate Area 5 are not affected by this notice or applicable charge.

In conjunction with this notice, Black Hills Energy is also filing a public notice and sending a letter to the customers affected by this notice. A copy of the public notice and example of the customer letter is enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions concerning this notice please give me a call at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas J. Law

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Attachment

cc: <u>psc.naturalgas@nebraska.gov</u>

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BLACK HILLS ENERGY LEGAL NOTICE -Non-regulated Agricultural Infrastructure Repair Charge

Black Hills Nebraska Gas Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy (Black Hills Energy) provides public notice pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1810(2), that effective with April 2025 billing, Black Hills Energy will implement a new annual charge for customers served in the Agricultural Choice Gas Program Rate Area 5. Black Hills Energy's Residential and Commercial customers subject to the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Public Service Commission are NOT affected by this notice or applicable charge. In addition, Residential/Commercial Customers In Rate Area 5 are NOT affected by this notice or applicable charge.

The new annual rate charge is necessary to account for ongoing maintenance, repairs to agriculture meters and natural gas main lines and will affect existing agricultural meters and new meters coming onto service between April 1 and December 1. Black Hills Energy will send a notification letter to each customer affected by this notice.

Infrastructure Agriculture Charge: On and after April 1. 2025, Black Hills Energy's non-regulated agricultural choice gas program customer annual charge of \$130.00 will appear as a separate line item on their bill called "Annual Agriculture Infrastructure Repair Charge.

Our highest priority is providing safe and reliable natural gas service to all our customers. We take great pride in properly maintaining our natural gas infrastructure which consists of over 8,000 miles of natural gas main in Nebraska.

Please contact customer service with any questions you may have at 888-890-5554. You may also visit cholcegas.com for more Information about the new annual charge or the Agricultural Choice Gas program.

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Date 01, 20XX

(Addressee Name) (Company Name) 0000 Main Street, Suite 0000 (City), (ST) 00000-0000

Dear (Name):

We are writing today to notify you of a new charge for customers served in the Agricultural Choice Gas program. This charge will begin billing in April 2025 and annually thereafter in the month of April.

The new annual rate charge is necessary to account for ongoing maintenance, repairs to agriculture meters and natural gas main lines.

Customers will see this charge as a separate line item on their bill called "*Annual Agriculture Infrastructure Repair Charge*" in the amount of \$130.00. New or existing agriculture meters coming onto service between April 1 and December 1, will also be subject to the annual charge.

Our highest priority is providing safe and reliable natural gas service to you, your family and all our customers. We take great pride in properly maintaining our natural gas infrastructure which consists of over 8,000 miles of natural gas main in Nebraska.

Please contact customer service with any questions you may have at **888-890-5554**. You may also visit **choicegas.com** for more information about the new annual charge or the Agricultural Choice Gas program.

On behalf of the Black Hills Energy employees who serve you, we want to thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

Choice Gas Administration