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BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)	Application No. NG-128
NorthWestern Energy Public Service)	
Corporation, Sioux Falls, South Dakota;)	
Black Hills Corporation, Rapid City,)	ORDER SCHEDULING
South Dakota, and NorthWestern Energy)	PLANNING CONFERENCE
Group, Inc., Sioux Falls, South Dakota,)	
seeking approval of a merger.)	
2)	Entered: November 20, 2025

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On October 27, 2025, NorthWestern Energy Public Service Corporation of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Black Hills Corporation of Rapid City, South Dakota, and NorthWestern Energy Group, Inc. of Sioux Falls, South Dakota filed a joint application with the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking approval of a merger. Notice of the Application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on October 30, 2025. A petition for Formal Intervention was filed by the Nebraska Public Advocate on October 28, 2025, and her intervention was approved by Hearing Officer Order on October 30, 2025. As of the date of this order, no other parties have intervened in this docket.

I find that a planning conference, for the purpose of setting a procedural schedule in this matter, including discovery deadlines and a hearing date, will be held **Wednesday**, **December 3**, **2025**, **at 2:00 p.m. CST**. The planning conference will be held via webconference. Access instructions for the conference will be sent to the parties separately.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that a planning conference in the above-captioned matter be, and is hereby, scheduled for **Wednesday**, **December 3**, **2025**, **at 2:00 p.m. CST** as provided herein.

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ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 20th day of November, 2025.

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By:

Kevin Stocker Hearing Officer