

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills Nebraska Gas,)	Application No. NG-133
LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Rapid City,)	
South Dakota, seeking approval of a 2027)	ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL
Systems Safety and Integrity Rider.)	SCHEDULE AND NOTICE OF
)	HEARING
)	
)	Entered: September 8, 2026

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On July 31, 2026, Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills"), Rapid City, South Dakota, filed an Application with the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking approval of a 2027 Systems Safety and Integrity Rider. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska on August 5, 2026. A petition for Formal Intervention was filed by the Nebraska Public Advocate ("PA") and approved by Hearing Officer Order on August 10, 2026. No other parties have intervened in this docket.

P r o c e d u r a l S c h e d u l e

This order serves to formalize the timeline for proceedings in this docket.

A. Service

Parties may meet filing deadlines outlined herein by sending an electronic copy of the filing via electronic mail to psc.naturalgas@nebraska.gov, so long as all parties are served via electronic mail contemporaneously.

B. Discovery

All discovery responses are due within 10 days of service, unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties. Any discovery request served after 3:00 p.m. shall be considered filed the following day for purposes of calculating response time. Parties should reference the Nebraska Court Rules of Discovery in Civil Cases for general guidance as to the conduct of discovery. Should this order conflict with any provision of said Rules, this order controls. Parties should make efforts to resolve any discovery disputes.

All parties shall provide a courtesy copy of any discovery requests and responses to the Commission. Such discovery requests and responses shall not be

part of the official record unless they are offered and accepted as exhibits during the hearing on the application. If using electronic mail, parties should send copies of the documents to psc.naturalgas@nebraska.gov.

C. Deadlines

Deadlines for various events and filings were established through communication with the parties and are set forth below. All filings are due by 5:00 p.m. CDT unless otherwise noted.

Date	Event
Friday, July 31, 2026	Application Filed
Wednesday, August 5, 2026	Publication Date
Friday, September 4, 2026	Protest Date
Friday, September 18, 2026	Final date for discovery requests to be served by Public Advocate, Intervenors and Commission Staff on Applicant
Monday, September 28, 2026	All discovery responses from Applicant due to Public Advocate, Intervenors and Commission Staff
Monday, October 19, 2026	Public Advocate to file report on proposed SSIR
Wednesday, October 28, 2026	Applicant to file response to report
Friday, October 30, 2026	Witness & Exhibit lists due (12:00 p.m.)
Tuesday, November 3, 2026	Planning Conference (2:00 p.m. - if needed)
Wednesday, November 4, 2026	Hearing (1:30 p.m.)
Tuesday, December 15, 2026	Last Grist for Order to be entered.
January 1, 2027	Proposed Effective Date of SSIR.

D. Settlement

All parties are encouraged to cooperate and engage in negotiations; however, the conduct of negotiations does not relieve the parties of their obligation to meet filing deadlines. Parties need not identify in settlement agreements specific dollar values attached to specific issues.

E. Planning Conference

Motions submitted by the parties will be considered by the Hearing Officer at the planning conference, held on **Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Central Time**. This conference will be held via webconference, and access instructions will be sent to the parties the week prior to the conference.

If no motions are submitted, and there are no other outstanding issues which must be considered prior to hearing, the Commission will notify the parties that the planning conference will be cancelled.

F. Hearing

A hearing in the above-captioned docket will be held in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, on **Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** Access to the hearing via webconference will be made available.

The Commission will arrange for a court reporter for the hearing in this matter, and an expedited transcript will be provided. The costs for the reporter's services and the transcript will be assessed to the Applicant.

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at the meeting, please call the Commission at (402) 471-3101. For people with hearing/speech impairments, please call the Nebraska Relay System at (800) 833-7352 (TDD) or (800) 833-0920 (Voice). Advance notice of at least seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the deadlines and requirements established in this order and attached hereto are hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing on this matter will be held on **Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Commission Hearing room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of September 2026.

BY:



Tim Schram
Hearing Officer