#### Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC

d/b/a Black Hills Energy

#### NG – 101.1 Quarterly Status Update

Presented to the Nebraska Public Service Commission January 14, 2025

#### Agenda

- Winter Supply Price Update Kent Kopetzky
- . Green Forward Crystal Austin
- SSIR Andy Storf / Doug Schmitz
- Public Awareness Campaign Nathan Stewart

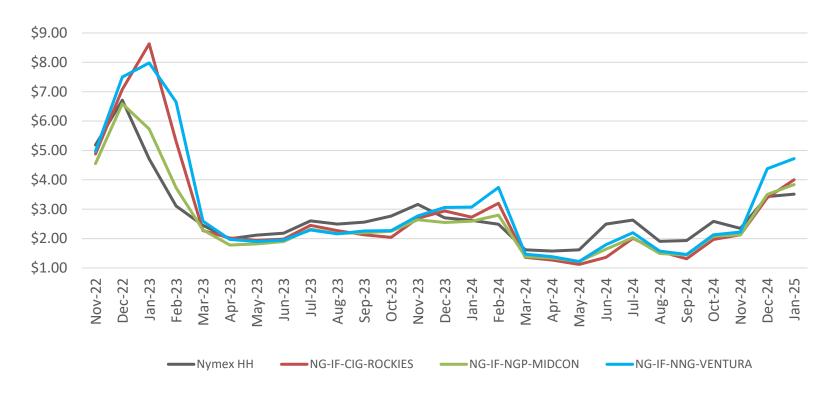
#### Winter 24-25 Update (Nebraska PSC)

**Gas Supply Update** 

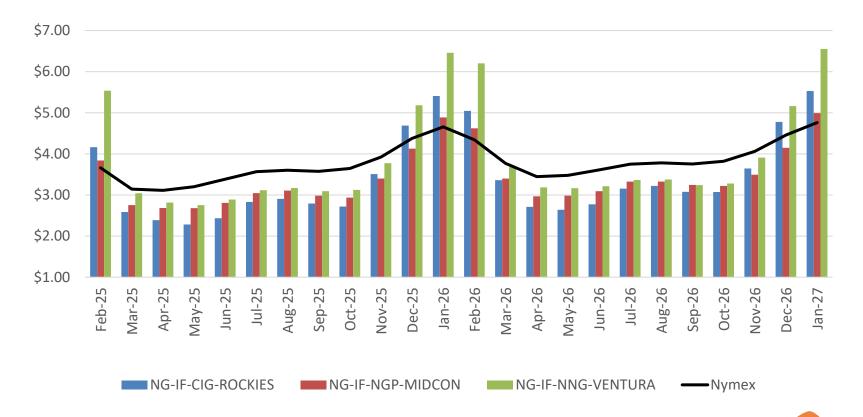
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#### **Natural Gas Pricing - Historical**

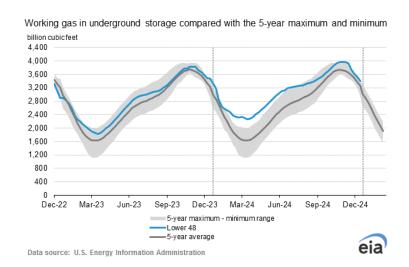


#### **Future Natural Gas Pricing**



#### **Market Update**

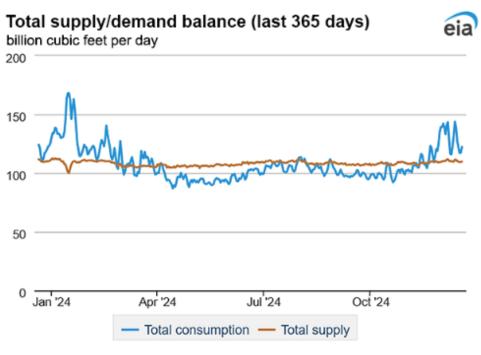
- National production levels remain elevated despite the ongoing low prices. Dry gas production is currently around 104 Bcf/day, 1.3 Bcf/day lower than year-ago levels.
- EIA national storage report shows inventory currently 1.9% lower than year-ago and 4.7% higher than the five-year-average.



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		billion	Stocks cubic feet (Bcf	Year ago (12/27/23)		5-year average (2019-23)			
Region	12/27/24	12/20/24	net change	implied flow	Bcf	% change	Bcf	% change	
East	745	792	-47	-47	801	-7.0	771	-3.4	
Midwest	914	960	-46	-46	973	-6.1	922	-0.9	
Mountain	262	267	-5	-5	229	14.4	188	39.4	
Pacific	295	293	2	2	280	5.4	242	21.9	
South Central	1,197	1,217	-20	-20	1,197	0.0	1,135	5.5	
Salt	349	349	0	0	340	2.6	323	8.0	
Nonsalt	848	868	-20	-20	857	-1.1	812	4.4	
Total	3,413	3,529	-116	-116	3,480	-1.9	3,259	4.7	

Historical Comparisons

#### **Supply - Demand**

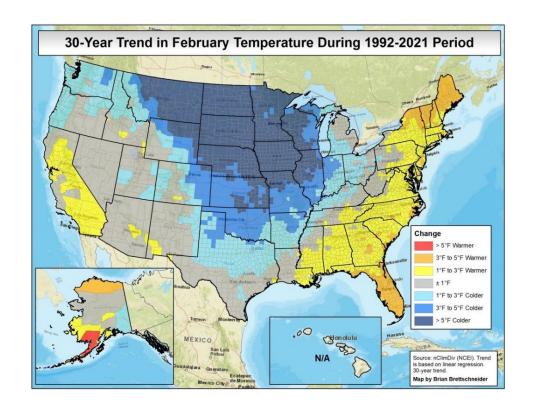


Data source: S&P Global Commodity Insights

#### Weather 2024

- Black Hills Nebraska 2024 annual weather was much warmer than normal
  - Nearly 16% warmer than average
  - 7% warmer than 2023
- Winter 2024-2025 is off to a mild start
  - November 2024 ~ 14% warmer than average and about 1.5% warmer than Nov. 2023
  - December 2024 ~12% warmer than average; 7% cooler than Dec. 2023
  - Nov Dec 2024 ~13% warmer than average; about 3.5% cooler than Nov Dec 2023

#### **February -- Historically the Coldest Month**



# **Green Forward**

**Crystal Austin** 



#### **Green Forward Semi-Annual Reporting**

Propose a single annual report due July 31st and replace January report with update during Q1 NG 101.1 meeting.

#### **January Content Updates**

- Participation Summary
- Financial Summary

#### July Content Updates

- Participation Summary
- Financial Summary
- Deferred Accounting Balance
- Cost Allocation Methods
- Compliance Status
- Marketing Plan Status
- Marketing Materials

Ready

#### **Green Forward Participation & Financial Summary**

Example: Pilot-to-date January 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

	Total Enrollments	Un- enrollments	Total Active Plans	Total Blocks	Average Blocks	Annualized Blocks	Therms	CCFs
AR	42	4	38	81	2.13	399.00	8,179.50	8,099.70
KS	71	11	60	90	1.50	855.00	17,527.50	
NE	179	19	160	282	1.76	2,095.00	42,947.50	
WY	32	0	32	63	1.97	127.00	2,603.50	
	324	34	290	516		3,476.00	71,258.00	
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Nebraska Program Balance:	
Total NE Revenue	
Total NE Costs	
Total NE Program Balance	

# SSIR

Andy Storf and Doug Schmitz



# Public Awareness on Damage Prevention

Nathan Stewart





#### **Black Hills Energy Damage Prevention**

January '25





### **Damage Types**

3 Damage Types:

**Excavator Fault (Not hand digging, Not maintaining marks, etc.)** 

Marks Not Accurate (Human error, Bad maps, etc.)

No One Call (Did not use 811 system/No notification made)



#### Damage Reduction Tactics



Excavator Fault – Job site visits, Best practice training, Etc

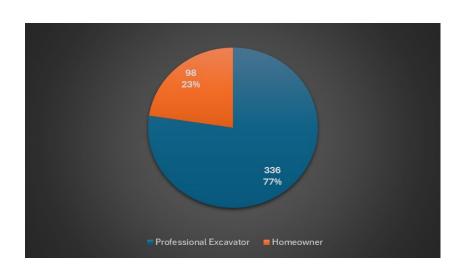


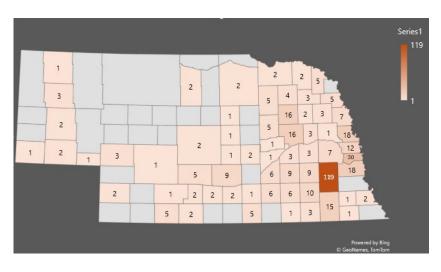
Marks Not Accurate – Locator training, Map Improvement, Etc



No One Call – Public awareness campaigns

## **No Notification Made Damages**





#### **Public Awareness**

# Current Requirements for Public Awareness within our DIMP plan:

- Per (code) We are required to send materials to everyone within 700 ft of a distribution pipeline
- Materials consist of routine flyers sent via mail

#### **Public Awareness**

#### **Expanded campaign features:**

- Radio
- Billboards
- Social Media
- Geo-fencing
- Strategic border placement
- Trade show representation















#### Did you know?

Anytime you put a shovel in the ground you run the risk of hitting a utility line. Before any digging projects — big or small — always click or call 811.

Keep your digging projects safe



Ready



# **Questions?**

