BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. NG-109
of Black Hills Nebraska Gas,)
LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy,) ORDER RELEASING LIST OF
Rapid City, South Dakota,) DISPUTED ISSUES AND SEEKING
seeking approval of a general) COMMENTS
rate increase.)
) Entered: October 8, 2020

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On June 1, 2020, Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills" or "Applicant") filed an application seeking a general rate increase. On July 13, 2020, the procedural schedule was set by order of the hearing officer. Pursuant to that schedule, I hereby release the Commission staff's list of disputed issues, attached hereto as Appendix A.

I further request that the parties review the list of disputed issues for corrections or other changes. Parties may file corrections to the list of disputed issues with the Commission no later than Monday, October 19, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. CDT. Corrections should be sent to <u>psc.naturalgas@nebraska.gov</u>. Filings made after that date and time may not be able to be incorporated into the revised list of issues to be released prior to the hearing.

The list of disputed issues is intended as a tool to assist the parties and the Commission in identifying issues for hearing and possible settlement. This list does not constitute evidence. The list is not intended to represent any finding of fact, conclusion of law, or recommendation by the Commission or Commission staff. The scope of the issues should be read broadly.

While parties are encouraged to correct and add issues to the list, failure to do so does not constitute a waiver of that issue as the Commission will not be entering an order adopting a list. To the extent possible, parties are encouraged to eliminate any issues identified on which they can agree.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the list of disputed issues attached hereto as Appendix A is released for correction by the Parties. Application No. NG-109

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties shall file corrections or other changes to the list of disputed issues by submitting them via email, no later than **October 19, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. CDT**.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of October, 2020.

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Dan Watermeier HEARING OFFICER