BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the	)	Application No. NG-111/PI-237
Commission, on its own motion,	)	
seeking to investigate the	)	
effect of the February 2021	)	ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF
cold weather event upon the	)	FILING DEADLINE
cost of gas supply purchased by	)	
Nebraska gas utilities.	)	
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	)	
Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC	)	Docket No. NG-111.1
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	)	Entered: April 13, 2021

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On March 2, 2021, the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission"), on its own motion, opened the above-captioned docket. This docket was opened for the purpose of gathering information regarding and formulating a response to the effect of the February 2021 cold weather event upon the cost of gas supply purchased by Nebraska gas utilities subject to the Commission's jurisdiction under the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 66-1801 - 66-1868. A Petition for Formal Intervention was filed by the Nebraska Public Advocate on March 4, 2021, and granted on March 5, 2021.

Pursuant to the Order Opening Docket issued in this matter on March 2, 2021, each utility was required to submit a written proposal to mitigate the impact on customer bills from this cold weather event for Commission consideration and approval within one week following the date of that utility's workshop. This proposal was therefore due from Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC, ("Black Hills") on April 13, 2021.

On April 13, 2021, Black Hills submitted a motion to extend the deadline for the filing of its proposal from April 13, 2021, to April 30, 2021. Black Hills states in support of its motion that it intends to conduct internal analysis and further reviews of customer impact and debt financing. The Public Advocate indicated that he has no objection to the motion.

I find that this request is reasonable and will not unduly delay the course of these proceedings, and therefore should be granted. Black Hills' proposal to mitigate the impact on customer Application No. NG-111.1

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bills from the February 2021 cold weather event will be due to be filed **on or before 5:00 p.m. Central Time on April 30, 2021.** This filing may be submitted electronically to psc.naturalgas@nebraska.gov.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the abovereferenced motion of Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC, shall be granted.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 13th day of April, 2021.

Tim Schram

BY:

Tim Schram HEARING OFFICER