

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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.)
) Docket No. NG-111.2
)
NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a)
NorthWestern Energy) Entered: April 15, 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 NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy ("NorthWestern") on April 14, 2021.

On April 14, 2021, NorthWestern submitted a motion to extend the deadline for the filing of its proposal from April 14, 2021, to April 23, 2021. NorthWestern requests this time in order to supplement its initial proposal filed on April 14 with additional information. There was no objection from the Public Advocate.

I find that this request is reasonable and will not unduly delay the course of these proceedings, and therefore should be granted. NorthWestern's proposal to mitigate the impact on customer 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 23,**

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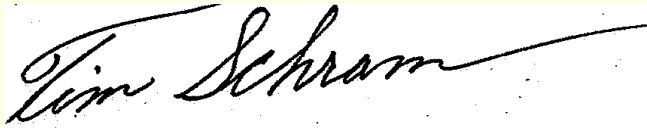
2021. This filing may be submitted electronically to psc.naturalgas@nebraska.gov.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the above-referenced motion of NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy shall be granted.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 15th day of April, 2021.

BY:

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Tim Schram
HEARING OFFICER