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Ret. Colonel Thomas Golden
Executive Director
Nebraska Public Service Commission
300 The Atrium
1200 "N" Street
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RE: Notice of change in rates and other charges to Rate Area 5 agricultural ratepayers.

Dear Ret. Col. Golden:

Pursuant to section 66-1810(2) of the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66 - 1810 (2), Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("hereafter Black Hills Energy") hereby provides notice to the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") that effective April 1, 2022, the volumetric charge for its non-jurisdictional Agricultural class in Rate Area 5 will be increased. Residential and Commercial customers subject to the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Public Service Commission are not affected by this notice or applicable price increase.

In conjunction with this notice, Black Hills Energy is also filing a public notice and sending a letter to each of the approximately 4,000 customers affected by this notice.

Black Hills Energy estimates the overall increase for the impacted rate class of customers will be approximately 5.0%. A copy of the Notice to the Public is enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions concerning this notice please give me a call at your convenience.

Sincerely,

/s/ Tyler Frost

Tyler Frost
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Enclosure: Copy of Notice to the Public

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LEGAL NOTICE- Non-Regulated Natural Gas Delivery Charge Increase

Black Hills Nebraska Gas Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy (Black Hills Energy) provides public notice pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. 66-1810(2), that effective April 1, 2022, Black Hills Energy will increase the customer charge for its non-jurisdictional Agricultural natural gas services in Rate Area 5. **Black Hills Energy's Residential and Commercial customers subject to the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Public Service Commission are NOT affected by this notice or applicable price increase.**

The change in Black Hills Energy's natural gas customer charge applies to existing customers in Rate Area 5 obtaining agricultural natural gas services and to new Black Hills Energy customers who will qualify for these services. Black Hills Energy will send a notification letter to each customer affected by this notice.

Rate Area 5 Agricultural Class Changes: On June 1, 2021, Black Hills Energy's non-jurisdictional agricultural services customer charge in rate area 5 no longer included a P-802 customer charge. On or after April 1, 2022, Black Hills Energy's non-jurisdictional agricultural service customer charges will include the following additional changes. The current rate base (delivery charge) for step one will remain the same at \$0.4968 per therm for the first 5,000 therms of natural gas, and step 2 Summer rates will increase from \$0.1581 to \$0.1956 and the step 2 Winter rate will increase from \$0.2185 to \$0.2600.

Black Hills Energy provides jurisdictional and non-jurisdictional gas service to approximately 300,000 customers in Nebraska. The changes included in this notice will affect approximately 4,000 customers in Black Hills Energy's non-jurisdictional Ag classes located in Rate Area 5.

Any questions regarding this public notice should be mailed to:

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