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By Deena Ackerman at 4:23 pm, May 21, 2021

Mr. Mike Hybl, Executive Director
Nebraska Public Service Commission
300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street
Lincoln, NE, 68508

Dear Mr. Hybl:

Enclosed herein are an original and one (1) copy of 39th Revised Sheet No. 7.1 of NorthWestern's Gas Tariff.

Sheet No. 7.1 reflects changes in the costs of purchased gas to be effective June 1, 2021. The effect of Sheet No 7.1 for a typical space heating customer using 150 therms per month would be an increase in the cost from \$88.33 to \$150.36.

The increase in costs is due to a combination of higher demand and commodity market prices when compared to the November, 2020 PGA and also the recovery of one-half of the February 13 – 18, 2021 cold weather event costs. The recovery of these costs begins June 1, 2021 as ordered by the Nebraska PSC in Docket NG-111.2. Beginning on June 1st, \$12,716,892 of February weather event costs are included on page 3 of Exhibit A in the line "Commodity True-up Per Therm". This is in addition to the normal true-up balance of \$921,415 reflected on Exhibit B.

Should you have any questions regarding the above changes, please contact me. My contact information is listed below.

Sincerely,

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**NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NATURAL GAS RATE SCHEDULE
for
NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION d/b/a NORTHWESTERN ENERGY**

Section No. 3
39th Revised Sheet No. 7.1
Canceling 38th Revised Sheet No. 7.1

Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment

	<u>Per Therm</u> <u>Per Month</u>
Rate No. 91 – Residential Gas Service – Firm Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.81987
Rate No. 92 – General Gas Service – Firm Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.81987
Rate No. 93 – Irrigation – Interruptible Sales Service Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.63986
Rate No. 94 – Commercial and Industrial – Firm Sales Service Gas Demand Charge – Standard Service (all contract therms) Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.76850 \$0.62986
Rate No. 95 – Commercial & Industrial – Interruptible Sales Service Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.63986
Rate No. 97 – Commercial and Industrial – Firm Sales Service Fuel Retention Percent Adjustment	0.00%

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