THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before the Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson

Dwight D. Keen Annie Kuether

In the Matter of a General Investigation)
Updating the Certificates of Convenience and)
Necessity Issued to Kansas Gas Service, a)
Division of ONE Gas, Inc. and Black)
Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a)
Docket No. 25-GIMG-114-GIG
Black Hills Energy in Cowley, Sedgwick,)
Sumner, Reno, and Rice Counties to Provide)
Retail Natural Gas Service.

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Commission makes the following findings:

- 1. On August 12, 2024, Staff filed a Report and Recommendation ("R&R") recommending the Commission open a General Investigation to update the Certificates of Convenience ("COC") issued to Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills") and Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. ("KGS") in Cowley, Sedgwick, Sumner, Reno, and Rice Counties, and resolve a dispute over their respective service territories in and around the City of Goddard in Sedgwick County.¹
- 2. On October 22, 2024, the Commission opened a general investigation into these issues and set a deadline of sixty (60) days from the date of the Order for Black Hills and KGS to submit comments addressing the service issue in the territory annexed by the City of Goddard in

¹ Notice of Filing of Staff's Report and Recommendation (Aug. 12, 2004).

2009 ("Goddard dispute").² It was also ordered for Staff to file a Report and Recommendation ("R&R) within thirty (30) days after receiving the comments.³ Black Hills and KGS filed comments on December 23, 2024, so the deadline for Staff's R&R would be January 22, 2025.⁴ The Commission also set deadlines for comments on the second issue relating to the COCs issued in Cowley, Sedgwick, Sumner, Reno, and Rice Counties ("metes and bounds dispute").⁵

- 3. On January 30, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Modifying Procedural Schedule requesting Staff, KGS, and Black Hills ("Joint Movants") to submit a procedural schedule concerning the metes and bounds dispute by April 21, 2025.⁶
- 4. On April 21, 2025, Joint Movants submitted the following proposed procedural schedule concerning the metes and bounds dispute:⁷

Action	Date	Time		
Comments from KGS and Black Hills	Friday, July 18, 2025	5:00 p.m.		
Staff's Report and Recommendation	Friday, September 19, 2025	5:00 p.m.		
Commission Order Due	Friday, November 21, 2025	N/A		

5. After reviewing the proposed schedule, the Commission adopts Joint Movant's proposed procedural schedule as set forth in paragraph 4.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Joint Movant's Motion to Modify Procedural Schedule is approved, and the procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 4 is adopted.

² Order Opening General Investigation and Setting Comment Deadlines (Oct. 22, 2024).

³ *Id.*, p. 4.

⁴ See id.

⁵ See id.

⁶ Order Granting Extension and Modifying Procedural Schedule (Jan. 30, 2025).

⁷ Joint Motion to Modify Procedural Schedule (Apr. 21, 2025).

B. This order is procedural and constitutes non-final agency action.⁸
 BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 04/24/2025

Celeste Chaney-Tucker Executive Director

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⁸ K.S.A. 77-607(b)(2).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, ce	ertify that a true	copy of the	attached	Order has	been served	to the fo	llowing by	means of
electronic service on	04/24/2025		•					

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