

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills/Kansas)
Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy,)
for a certificate of Public Convenience and Authority to) Docket No. 20-BHCG-⁰⁸⁸-COC
Transact the Business of a Natural Gas Public Utility in)
Certain Portions of Morton County, Kansas.)

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE

Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy (“Black Hills”), hereby requests the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”) grant it authorization to transact business as a natural gas utility in certain portions of Morton County, Kansas, specifically described as follows:

North Half (N/2)
Section 9, Township 35 South, Range 42 West

All of Sections 1, 2, 3 and 10-15
Township 35 South, Range 42 West

All in Morton County, Kansas

A map of the territory for which the Certificate of Convenience and Authority is requested is attached as “Exhibit A”.

In support of its Application, Black Hills states:

1. Black Hills is a natural gas public utility company under the jurisdiction of the Commission which is engaged in the delivery and sale of natural gas within the meaning of K.S.A. 66-104, in legally designated areas of Kansas. Black Hills holds a certificate of convenience and authority issued by the Commission, authorizing it to engage in such utility business. Black Hills has previously filed with the Commission certified copies of its Articles of Incorporation under which it was organized and a Certificate of Registration as a corporation authorized to do business in Kansas, and all amendments thereto and restatements thereof, and the same are incorporated

hereby by reference.

2. Black Hills has executed an Asset Purchase Agreement with the Oneok Partners (“Oneok”) to purchase from Oneok, three miles of pipeline used to move gas to the city gate of Elkhart, Kansas (“Elkhart Lateral”). The Elkhart Lateral is not currently a regulated line. There are no customers currently being served with natural gas on the Elkhart Lateral.

3. The Elkhart Lateral will benefit Black Hills’ Kansas customers by lowering purchase gas costs by eliminating transportation costs on Oneok by approximately \$42,000 per year, and by providing a high-pressure source to allow for expansion of natural gas service in the newly certificated area.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that a Certificate of Convenience and Authority be issued granting the right to transact the business of a natural gas public utility to Black Hills in the above-described territory.



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STATE OF NEBRASKA, SARPY COUNTY, ss:

Dari Dornan, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that she is an attorney of the within named applicant, that she has read the above and foregoing application and the statements contained therein are true.



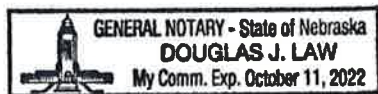
Dari Dornan

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 20th day of August, 2019.



Notary Public

Appointment/Commission Expires:



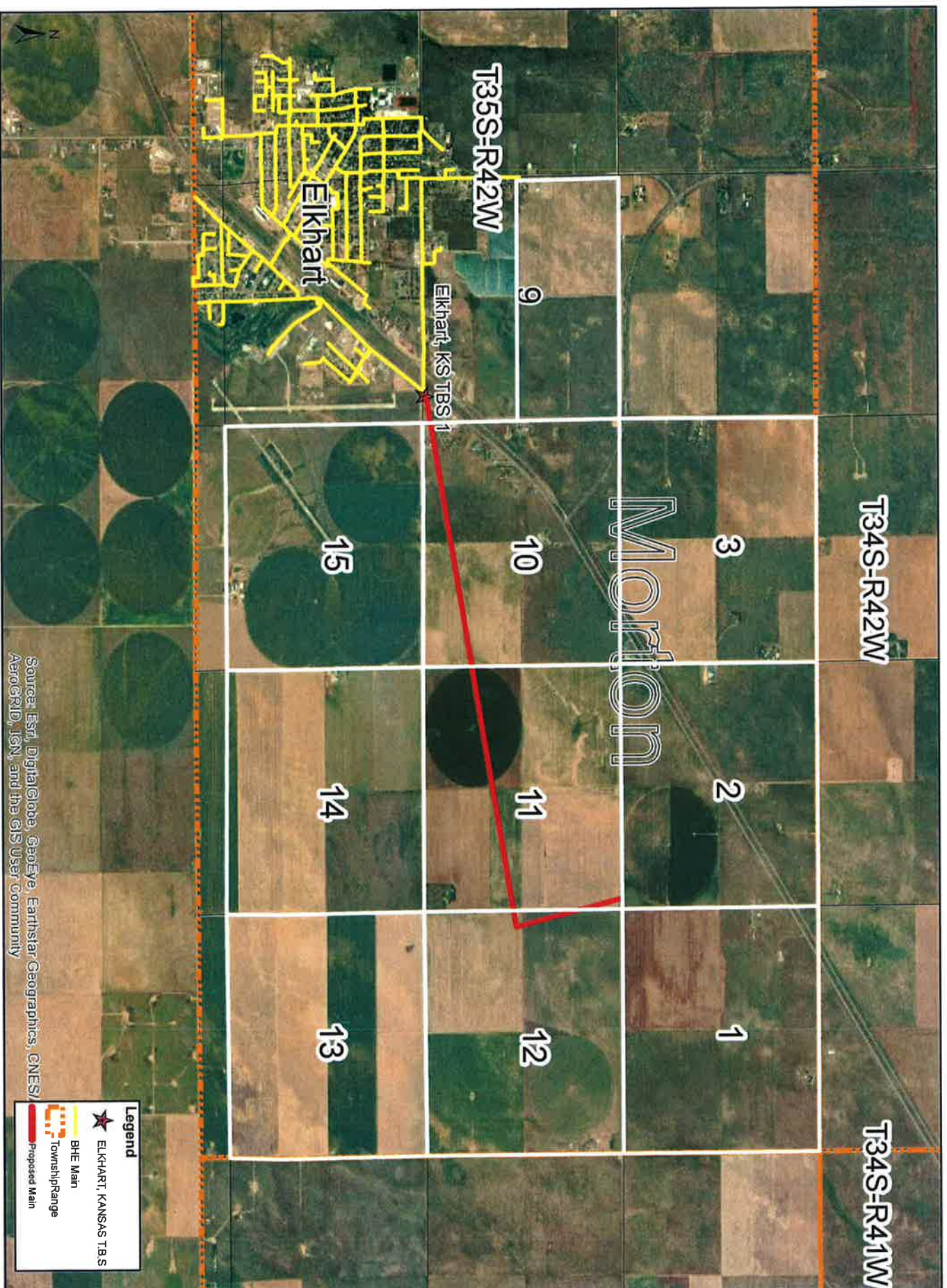


Exhibit A