

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Pat Apple, Chairman
Shari Feist Albrecht
Jay Scott Emler

In the Matter of the Application of Black)
Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a)
Black Hills Energy, for Approval of the) Docket No. 17-BHCG-389-TAR
Commission for Gas System Reliability)
Surcharge per K.S.A. 66-2201 through 66-)
2204.)

ORDER ADOPTING STAFF'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) on the Application of Black Hills Energy (Black Hills) for approval of its Gas System Reliability Surcharge (GSRS). After review of the pleadings, the Commission makes the following findings and conclusions.

1. On February 21, 2017, Black Hills filed an Application for approval of its GSRS. The application requested recovery of \$6,243,896 of capital costs for eligible infrastructure system replacements to be recovered by a revenue increase of \$580,680.

2. On March 7, 2017, the Commission granted intervention to the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) and issued a Protective and Discovery Order.

3. On April 21, 2017 after examining Black Hills' Application,¹ Staff filed its Report and Recommendation (R&R), which recommended the Commission approve the requested revenue increase of \$580,680, which would increase residential customer bills by \$.29 monthly or \$3.48 annually.

¹ Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2204(b)(2).

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

(A) The Commission approves Black Hills' GSRS of \$580,680, which increases residential customer bills by \$.29 monthly or \$3.48 annually as recommended in Staff's R&R.

(B) The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

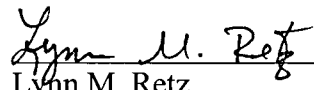
(C) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it may deem necessary and proper.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: MAY 23 2017

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Lynn M. Retz
Secretary to the Commission

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of

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