

**BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

<b>In the Matter of the Application of Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC,</b>	)	
<b>d/b/a Black Hills Energy, for Approval of</b>	)	
<b>the Commission to Make Certain Changes</b>	)	<b>Docket No. 25-BHCG-298-RTS</b>
<b>in its Rates for Natural Gas Service</b>	)	

**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING AND PROVIDING NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**STATE OF KANSAS** )

**COUNTY OF SEDGWICK** ) **ss:**

I, James P. Williams, of lawful age being first duly sworn on oath, state as follows:

1. I am the Regional Public Affairs Manager for Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills").
2. Black Hills is required to provide its customers with notice of the public hearing and public comment period regarding its application for a rate increase in the above captioned proceeding.
3. Black Hills mailed a Notice of Public Hearing and Public Comment Period Concerning Rate Increase Request ("Public Hearing Notice"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A," to customers of Black Hills as a postcard, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.
4. Black Hills also provided the Public Hearing Notice to its electronic or "paperless" customers by email on April 16, 2025. A copy of that Public Hearing Notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

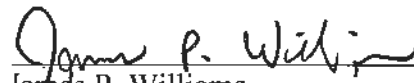
5. Black Hills sent a Public Hearing Notice email message through a full billing cycle beginning March 17, 2025 and ending April 17, 2025 as follows:

**Bill Message:**

The KCC is hosting a public meeting on April 29 for the Black Hills Energy rate application.

For more information visit:  
[www.blackhillsenergy.com/reliableKS](http://www.blackhillsenergy.com/reliableKS)

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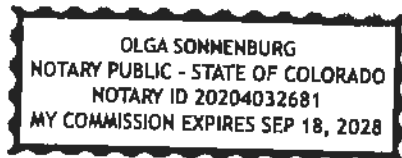
  
James P. Williams

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2025.

  
Notary Public

Commission/Appointment Expires:

September 18, 2028



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CONCERNING NATURAL GAS SERVICE RATE REVIEW**

The Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) is holding a public hearing to allow Black Hills Energy customers the opportunity to ask questions and make comments about the company's rate increase application to recover critical system costs already incurred and to support the safe and reliable delivery of natural gas for our customers.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The public hearing will begin with brief presentations followed by a question and answer period to allow the public to ask questions about the proposal. At the conclusion of the Q&A, members of the public will have the opportunity to make formal comments to KCC Commissioners.

The public hearing is scheduled for:  
Tuesday, April 29, 2025 – Beginning at 6:00 p.m., CDT

This meeting will be held at:  
Wichita State University Hughes Metroplex  
5015 E. 29th St, N  
Wichita, KS 67220

Attendees may participate in person or virtually via Zoom. Those who wish to participate by Zoom, with the ability to make a comment or ask a question, must register at [kcc.ks.gov/your-opinion-matters](https://kcc.ks.gov/your-opinion-matters) by noon on April 28.

To view the hearing without participating, tune in to the KCC YouTube channel. A link will appear on the KCC's website homepage at [kcc.ks.gov](https://kcc.ks.gov) on the day of the hearing.

**SUMMARY OF BLACK HILLS ENERGY'S PROPOSAL**

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- Average monthly residential bill increase of 17.6%, or about \$11 per month, based on an average monthly usage of 50 therms per month.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

The KCC will accept comments from Black Hills Energy customers through 5:00 p.m. CDT, on Friday, June 20, 2025..

There are three convenient ways to submit a comment:

1. Go to the KCC website ([kcc.ks.gov](https://kcc.ks.gov)) and click on the Your Opinion Matters link to enter your comment.
2. Send a written letter to the Kansas Corporation Commission, Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, KS 66604-4027. Be sure to reference Docket 25-BHCG-298-RTS.
3. Call the Commission's Public Affairs office at 1-800-662-0027 or 785-271-3140.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

A complete copy of Black Hills Energy's application is available on the KCC's website at [kcc.ks.gov](https://kcc.ks.gov). If you need additional assistance or more information, contact the KCC's Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection at 1-800-662-0027 or by email at [public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov](mailto:public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov).



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I hereby certify that a copy of the above and foregoing was sent via electronic mail,  
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