

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 ("Black Hills") for an Extension )  
of its Certificate of Convenience and Authority to )  
Operate as a Natural Gas Public Utility in an Area )  
Heretofore Served by the City of Attica, Kansas, a )  
Municipally Owned Natural Gas Utility )

Docket No. 17-BHCG-511-ACQ

**AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

STATE OF NEBRASKA, COUNTY OF SARPY, ss:

I, Ann L. Stichler, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath, states:

That I am Senior Regulatory Analyst for Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills").

That on the 25th day of May, 2017, the Affiant caused the mailing of, via the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, a letter to the customers of the gas utility system of the City of Attica, Kansas, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, informing them of the acquisition of the distribution assets of the City of Attica, Kansas by Black Hills, as set out in the attached letter.

Further affiant saith naught.



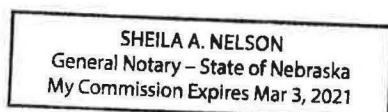
Ann L Stichler

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 25 day of May, 2017.



Notary Public

Commission/Appointment Expires:





**Lon Meyer**  
Operations Manager  
Lon.meyer@blackhillscorp.com

Exhibit A

2330 N. Hoover  
Wichita, KS 67205  
P: 316.941.1641

May 24, 2017

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Attica, KS 67009

Re: Black Hills Energy Files Proposal with Kansas Corporation Commission

Dear [REDACTED]

On February 28, the Black Hills Energy proposal to purchase and operate Attica's city-owned gas distribution system was approved by 88 percent of the Attica residents who voted on the measure. The final step in the approval process, a filing with the Kansas Corporation Commission ("KCC" or "Commission"), was completed on May 19. With Commission approval, Black Hills Energy will purchase the gas system and begin serving the approximately 375 gas customers currently served by the City of Attica.

We greatly appreciate the overwhelming support our proposal received from the community and consider the outcome to be a gesture of confidence in our ability to provide you with safe, reliable gas service for many years to come. We thank those who voted and can assure all current gas customers that we won't let you down. You will receive the same dedication, integrity and support we provide to our entire family of 114,000 Kansas gas customers.

Enclosed please find a 12-month comparison of current residential service rates for Attica and Black Hills Energy. With KCC approval and completion of the sale, Black Hills Energy will take ownership of the system and your rates for service – along with all the great benefits and service options we provide – will be the same as those enjoyed by our customers throughout the state.

The KCC will accept written comments from all customers currently served by the City of Attica and affected by the sale that are submitted no later than June 26, 2017. Please reference Docket No. 17-BHCG-511-ACQ and send either by e-mail to [public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov](mailto:public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov) or:

Kansas Corporation Commission  
Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection  
1500 SW Arrowhead Road  
Topeka, KS 66604.

Thank you for your consideration. With KCC approval, we look forward to putting our team of experts to work for you, providing safe, reliable natural gas service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lon Meyer'.