

Decision No. C21-0131-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 19AL-0075G

IN THE MATTER OF ADVICE LETTER NO. 1 FILED BY BLACK HILLS COLORADO GAS, INC. TO PLACE IN EFFECT ITS NEW P.U.C. VOLUME NO. 1 TARIFF ESTABLISHING NEW RATE SCHEDULES AND BASE RATES FOR ALL NATURAL GAS SALES AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INCREASING JURISDICTIONAL BASE RATE REVENUES, COMBINING EXISTING GAS COST ADJUSTMENT AREAS INTO NEW GCA REGIONS, IMPLEMENTING A DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM INTEGRITY RIDER, REVISING THE CONSTRUCTION ALLOWANCE CALCULATION METHOD, AND OTHER PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGES TO REPLACE AND SUPERSEDE ITS P.U.C. VOLUME NO. 3 TARIFF (FORMERLY BLACK HILLS/COLORADO GAS UTILITY COMPANY, INC.) AND P.U.C. VOLUME NO. 7 TARIFF (FORMERLY BLACK HILLS GAS DISTRIBUTION, LLC) IN THEIR ENTIRETY, TO BE EFFECTIVE ON MARCH 4, 2019.

**INTERIM COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING
UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION**

Mailed Date: March 8, 2021

Adopted Date: March 3, 2021

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. By Decision No. C21-0005 issued January 6, 2021, we ordered Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc., doing business as Black Hills Energy (Black Hills or Company) to file its Phase II rate review within 60 days of that decision or by March 8, 2021. Black Hills subsequently filed an application for Rehearing, Reargument or Reconsideration (RRR) of that decision as well as Decision No. C21-0004. Black Hills requested rescission of Decision No. C21-0004 and reinstate Proceeding No. 20AL-0380G, as well as clarify the Company's Phase II rate review could be filed using the revenue requirement studies proposed in Proceeding No. 20AL-0380G.

2. By Decision No. C21-0104 issued February 25, 2021, we granted Black Hills' RRR in part. We requested responses from the parties to the Company's RRR and indicated that upon

receipt of those responses a hearing would be set to consider the procedural posture of the two proceedings and how best to move forward.

3. On February 26, 2021, Black Hills filed its Unopposed Motion for Clarification of Decision Nos. C21-0005 and C21-0104 and request for waiver of response time (Motion). The Company wishes clarification that Decision No. C21-0104 stays the requirement of Decision No. C21-0005 to file a Phase II rate review by March 8, 2021.

4. We grant Black Hills' Motion and clarify that the requirement contained in Decision No. C21-0005 to file a Phase II rate review by March 8, 2021 is stayed pending a hearing in this proceeding as set forth in Decision No. C21-0104.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The Unopposed Motion filed by Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc., doing business as Black Hills Energy for Clarification of Commission Decision Nos. C21-0005 and C21-0104 (Motion) is granted.

2. It is clarified that the requirement contained in Decision No. C21-0005 to file a Phase II rate review by March 8, 2021 is stayed pending a hearing as set forth in Decision No. C21-0104.

3. Response time to Black Hills' Motion is waived.

4. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
March 3, 2021.**

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Doug Dean,
Director

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