Decision No. C21-0221-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 20A-0379G

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BLACK HILLS COLORADO GAS, INC. FOR AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM SAFETY AND INTEGRITY RIDER AS PART OF ITS GAS TARIFF AND TO UNDERTAKE ITS PROPOSED AT-RISK METER RELOCATION AND CUSTOMER-OWNED YARD LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM.

INTERIM DECISION GRANTING UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR A ONE-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY AND CROSS-ANSWER TESTIMONY AND FOR WAIVER OF RESPONSE TIME

Mailed Date: April 13, 2021 Adopted Date: April 7, 2021

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement

1. By this Decision, the Commission grants the Unopposed Motion for One Day Extension of Time to File Rebuttal Testimony and Cross-Answer Testimony and for Waiver of Response Time (Unopposed Motion) filed by Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc. (Black Hills or Company) on April 1, 2021.

B. Background

- 2. On September 11, 2020, Black Hills filed a Verified Application (Application) for approval of a System Safety and Integrity Rider, including authorization for a proposed At-Risk Meter Relocation and Customer-owned Yard Line Replacement Program.
- 3. Trial Staff of the Commission (Staff) and the Office of Consumer Counsel (OCC) filed notices of intervention by right and are parties to this proceeding. In addition, the Commission granted Bachelor Gulch Village Association's motion for intervention.

- 4. On January 13, 2021, by Decision No. C21-0026-I, the Commission set procedural deadlines for this matter and scheduled an evidentiary hearing for April 12 through 14, 2021.
- 5. On February 26, 2021, by Decision No. C21-0107-I, the Commission granted the Joint Motion to Revise Procedural Schedule filed on February 19, 2021, and rescheduled the evidentiary hearing to April 28 through 30, 2021. The Commission also revised the procedural deadlines, including the deadline to file Rebuttal and Cross-Answer Testimony. Specifically, Decision No. C21-0107-I set April 5, 2021, as the deadline to file Rebuttal and Cross-Answer Testimony.

C. Unopposed Motion

- 6. In the Unopposed Motion, the Company requests a one-day extension to file Rebuttal Testimony and Cross-Answer Testimony. Black Hills does not ask for any other modifications to the procedural schedule.
- 7. Black Hills notes that it conferred with Staff, the OCC, and Bachelor Gulch Village Association, and that no party opposes Black Hills' requested relief.
- 8. Given that no party opposes the requested relief, Black Hills also requests that the Commission waive the response time to the Unopposed Motion.
- 9. We find good cause to grant the relief Black Hills' requests for a one-day extension to file its Rebuttal and Cross-Answer Testimony. Response time to the Unopposed Motion is waived.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

- 1. The Unopposed Motion for One Day Extension of Time to File Rebuttal Testimony and Cross-Answer Testimony and for Waiver of Response Time (Unopposed Motion) filed by Black Hills Colorado Gas, Inc. on April 1, 2021, is granted.
- 2. The deadline to file Rebuttal Testimony and Cross-Answer Testimony shall be April 6, 2021.
 - 3. The remaining response time to the Unopposed Motion is waived.
 - 4. This Decision is effective upon its Mailed Date.

B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING April 7, 2021.

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