

Decision No. C14-0497

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 14A-0291G

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF BLACK HILLS/COLORADO GAS UTILITY COMPANY, LP DBA BLACK HILLS ENERGY FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE TO REVISE ITS ANNUAL GAS DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE TO TAKE EFFECT ON JULY 1, 2014.

**COMMISSION DECISION GRANTING
APPLICATION FOR REHEARING,
REARGUMENT, OR RECONSIDERATION**

Mailed Date: May 12, 2014

Adopted Date: May 7, 2014

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

1. This matter comes before the Commission for consideration of an Application for Rehearing, Reargument, or Reconsideration (RRR) filed on April 29, 2014 by Black Hills/Colorado Gas Utility Company, LP (Black Hills or Company) to Decision No. C14-0375.

2. By Decision No. C14-0375, mailed on April 9, 2014, the Commission granted, in part, Black Hills' Application for Commission Approval of an Alternative Form of Notice to Revise its Annual Gas Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment Clause (GDSMCA). Among other things, the Commission ordered Black Hills "to publish legal notice of the advice letter in a newspaper of general circulation in the Company's service territory for two consecutive Sundays." Decision No. C14-0375, ¶ 6. The Commission also directed Black Hills to serve the advice letter and accompanying tariff sheets on all parties in Proceeding No. 11A-393G.

3. On RRR, Black Hills states that the filing for which Black Hills sought alternative notice is an application and not an advice letter as stated in the Decision. Therefore, Black Hills published the legal notice of the Application in *The Colorado Springs Gazette* for two consecutive Sundays on April 20, 2014 and April 27, 2014. Black Hills believes this was the intent of the Commission's directive. Black Hills also states that there were no other parties in Proceeding No. 11A-393G.

4. Black Hills states that the alternative notice approved by the Commission, the bill message and the posting on Black Hills' website, provide several options for the customers to be sufficiently noticed.

5. We agree and find good cause to grant the RRR to Decision No. C14-0375. We find that Black Hills provided sufficient notice of the GDSMCA to its ratepayers.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

1. The Application for rehearing, reargument, or reconsideration filed on April 29, 2014 by Black Hills/Colorado Gas Utility Company, LP to Decision No. C14-0375 is granted.

2. This Decision is effective on its mailed date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING
May 7, 2014.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Dean".

Doug Dean,
Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

JOSHUA B. EPEL

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Commissioners

COMMISSIONER GLENN A. VAAD
ABSENT.