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 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 on the day of the hearing.

SUMMARY OF BLACK HILLS ENERGY'S PROPOSAL

Residential customers:

• 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) 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. 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.