

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST BY INTER- )  
LAKES COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP FOR )  
A VARIANCE FROM THE INDIVIDUAL METERING )  
REQUIREMENT IN ARSD 20:10:26:03 FOR THREE )  
MULTI-FAMILY FACILITIES IN SIOUX FALLS, )  
SOUTH DAKOTA )**

**ORDER GRANTING MASTER  
METERING VARIANCE**

**GE16-006**

On December 22, 2016, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Inter-Lakes Community Action Partnership (Inter-Lakes). This filing is for approval of a variance from the individual metering requirements in ARSD 20:10:26:03. On January 5, 2017, a Gas & Electric docket was created to take the place of the originally created electric docket.

On January 5, 2017, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 13, 2017, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On January 5, 2017, pursuant to ARSD 20:10:26:06, the Commission sent notice of Inter-Lakes' request MidAmerican Energy Company and Xcel Energy, and the Commission provided legal notice of the filing to the Sioux Falls, South Dakota Argus Leader newspaper. On February 27, 2017, Inter-Lakes amended the request for a variance to be for natural gas only.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, particularly 49-34A-4, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:26, particularly 20:10:26:03, 20:10:26:04, 20:10:26:05, and 20:10:26:06.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of March 14, 2017, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission voted unanimously to grant Inter-Lakes' request for a variance for natural gas service. It is therefore

**ORDERED**, that Inter-Lakes Community Action Partnership's request for a master metering variance for natural gas service is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2017.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically.
By: <u>Karen E. Cremer</u>
Date: <u>03/21/2017</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner