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Mr. Jeff Pursley, Executive Director Nebraska Public Service Commission 1200 N Street Suite 300 Lincoln, NE 68508

Re: Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy Farm Tap Safety Proposal Application No. NG-0090

Dear Mr. Pursley:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case please find Northern Natural Gas Company's Petition of Formal Intervention Out-Of-Time.

Sincerely,

Dari R. Dornan

Senior Counsel

Northern Natural Gas Company

DRD:ccw

Enclosure

cc: Robert J. Amdor Adam Buhrman William F. Austin

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska)	Application No. NG-0090
Gas Utility, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills)	
Energy, Papillion, seeking approval of)	PETITION OF FORMAL
A Farm Tap Safety Proposal and)	INTERVENTION OUT-OF-TIME
Associated Tariff.)	

Pursuant to Neb. Admin code Title 291, Chpt. 1, § 015.01 and the Nebraska Administrative Procedure Act, Northern Natural Gas Company ("Northern") hereby petitions the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") to allow it to formally intervene out-of-time in the above-captioned matter and to become a party hereto for all purposes as regards the above referenced application by Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills"). In support of its petition, Northern states as follows:

1. Correspondence or communications regarding this petition, including service of all notices and orders of the Commission should be addressed to:

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2. Northern is a "natural gas company" subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") under the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C.A. § 717 et seq.), and subject to the exclusive safety regulation of the Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration ("PHMSA") pursuant to the Pipeline Safety Act (49 U.S.C.A. § 60101 et

¹ Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-912.02.

seq.). Northern operates high pressure interstate natural gas transmission pipelines across 11 states, from the Permian Basin in Texas to Michigan's Upper Peninsula, including the state of Nebraska.

3. Northern has a significant interest in this proceeding as the customer-owned facilities referenced in Black Hills' application are all connected to Northern's pipeline system. Therefore, Northern has an interest in the safety of its facilities interconnecting with the customer-owned facilities.

4. Northern agrees to accept the record as it is and all existing deadlines in this docket.

Northern has contacted Black Hills and the Nebraska Public Advocate and neither party has an issue with Northern's request to intervene out-of-time.

WHEREFORE, Northern hereby respectfully requests the Commission to grant its petition to intervene out-of-time and allow Northern to participate as a party to this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted, Northern Natural Gas Company

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Dated this 14th day of February, 2017.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 14th day of February 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing "Petition to Intervene of Northern Natural Gas," was served upon the parties listed below by electronic means.

Dari R. Dornan

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