

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY FOR )  
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS NATURAL )  
GAS RATES )**

**ORDER GRANTING )  
INTERVENTION )  
  
NG22-005**

On May 18, 2022, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) for approval to increase rates for natural gas service to customers in its South Dakota service territory by approximately \$7.037 million based on MidAmerican's test year ending December 31, 2021 (Application). MidAmerican states a typical residential natural gas customer using 52 therms per month would see an increase of \$4.16 per month. The proposed changes may potentially affect approximately 104,000 customers.

On May 19, 2022, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 22, 2022, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filing electronic listserv. On June 10, 2022, Steven Wegman, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, filed a Petition to Intervene. On June 27, 2022, MidAmerican filed its Response to Steven Wegman's Petition to Intervene.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-34A, specifically SDCL 1-26-17.1, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:01, specifically 20:10:01:15.02 through 20:10:01:15.05.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on July 5, 2022, the Commission considered this matter. MidAmerican objected to granting the intervention. Commission staff stated they did not object to the intervention. Finding that the Petition to Intervene demonstrated good cause to grant intervention, the Commission voted unanimously to grant intervention to Steven Wegman. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petition to Intervene of Steven Wegman is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7th day of July 2022.

<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 or by mail.
By: <u>Karen E. Cromer</u>
Date: <u>07/07/22</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner