

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	ORDER GRANTING MOTION
SOUTH DAKOTA INTRASTATE PIPELINE)	FOR SECOND PROCEDURAL
COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS)	SCHEDULE; ORDER
NATURAL GAS RATES)	ESTABLISHING
)	PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
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On June 1, 2017, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from South Dakota Intrastate Pipeline Company (SDIP) requesting authority to increase its natural gas rates. The filing did not include a proposed rate or any of the supporting documents required by statute and rule. The filing indicated that SDIP would file the applicable required documents no later than June 30, 2017, and requested an effective date of September 1, 2018, for the proposed rate. On June 5, 2017, Commission staff (Staff) filed a letter stating that the filing did not meet the requirements for a rate case and was therefore incomplete and subject to rejection. Additionally, Staff indicated that because the filing was incomplete, it did not comply with the terms of the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in NG16-006 and requested guidance from the Commission on how to proceed.

On June 8, 2017, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 31, 2017, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. On June 13, 2017, the Commission issued an Order to Clarify Docket Procedure. On June 22, 2017, Montana Dakota Utilities Co. (MDU) filed a Petition to Intervene and on July 6, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Granting Intervention; Order Assessing Filing Fee. On June 29, 2017, SDIP filed a confidential application for authority to increase its natural gas rates (Application). On July 11, 2017, MDU filed a Motion for Commission Review requesting the Commission strike SDIP's claim of confidentiality made in its Application and open the docket submissions to MDU and the public for review. On July 28, 2017, SDIP filed a redacted public version of its Application. On August 8, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Granting Motion for Commission Review and Making Application Public (Commissioner Hanson, dissenting). On August 3, 2017, SDIP filed documents to comply with the Order Granting Motion for Commission Review and Making Application Public. On October 2, 2017, Staff filed a Motion for Adoption of Procedural Schedule. On October 16, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Establishing Partial Procedural Schedule; Order Requiring Discovery Responses Within Ten Business Days. On October 30, 2017, the Commission issued an Order Establishing Procedural Schedule. On November 20, 2017, SDIP filed Supplemental Testimonies and Exhibits.

On February 15, 2018, Ring-neck Energy & Feed, LLC dba Ring-neck Energy, LLC (Ring-neck) filed a Petition to Intervene. On March 2, 2018, the Commission issued an Order Granting Late Filed Intervention; Amending Procedural Schedule. On March 27, 2018, Staff filed a letter requesting that the procedural schedule be suspended so the parties could finalize an agreement reached in principle in this matter. On May 29, 2018, Staff filed a Motion for a Second Procedural Schedule (Motion). On June 8, 2018, SDIP filed a Request for Hearing to Compel Settlement Agreement and Response to Staff's Motion for Second Procedural Schedule. On June 11, 2018, Staff filed its Reply to SDIP's Request for Hearing to Compel Settlement Agreement and Response to Staff's Motion for Second Procedural Schedule.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-1, and 49-34A and ARSD 20:10:13.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on June 12, 2018, the Commission considered the Motion. After a discussion with the parties, the Commission voted unanimously to grant the Motion and establish the following procedural schedule:

Staff, MDU, and Ring-neck Prefiled Testimony due	July 3, 2018
All Parties Rebuttal Testimony due	July 11, 2018
Final Discovery due	July 13, 2018
Responses to Final Discovery due	July 20, 2018
Witness and Exhibit Lists due	July 20, 2018
Evidentiary Hearing	July 24-26, 2018

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Motion for Second Procedural Schedule is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that the above procedural schedule is established for this proceeding.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 19th day of June 2018.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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: Karen E. Cremer

Date: 06/19/18

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner