

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: BLACK HILLS/IOWA GAS UTILITY COMPANY, LLC d/b/a BLACK HILLS ENERGY	DOCKET NO. RPU-2010-0002
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO FILE A POST-HEARING BRIEF

(Issued October 18, 2010)

On October 12, 2010, the Utilities Board (Board) conducted a hearing concerning the proposed settlement filed by Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy (Black Hills Energy), the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate), and Constellation New Energy-Gas Division, LLC. On October 14, 2010, Black Hills Energy filed a motion to file a post-hearing brief. In the motion, Black Hills Energy indicates that Consumer Advocate authorized Black Hills Energy to state that Consumer Advocate does not have an objection to the motion. Black Hills Energy proposes to file a short brief on October 26, 2010, at the same time it files post-hearing exhibits requested by the Board at the hearing.

The Board understands that Black Hills Energy has reconsidered whether to file a post-hearing brief and now requests permission to file a short brief concerning the settlement. The Board will grant the motion.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The motion to file a post-hearing brief filed October 14, 2010, Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, is granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Robert B. Berntsen

/s/ Krista K. Tanner

ATTEST:

/s/ Joan Conrad
Executive Secretary

/s/ Darrell Hanson

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 18th day of October 2010.