

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. G-40, SUB 160

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Joint Application of Frontier Natural Gas)
Company and Ullico Infrastructure)
Hearthstone Holdco, LLC, for Approval)
of the Sale and Transfer of Stock)

NOTICE OF HEARING ON
APPLICATION TO ENTER INTO
A BUSINESS COMBINATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 27, 2021, Frontier Natural Gas Company (Frontier) and Ullico Infrastructure Hearthstone Holdco, LLC (UIHH) (collectively, the Applicants), filed an application pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-111 for (1) approval of a transaction whereby Hearthstone Utilities Inc. (HUI) and its subsidiaries, including Frontier, will become wholly owned subsidiaries of UIHH, and (2) authorization and/or waiver as is necessary and appropriate to effect the proposed transaction.

The application, as well as prefiled testimony and exhibits of the parties, hearing transcripts, post-hearing briefs and proposed orders, may be viewed as they become available on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net, by clicking on "Docket Search" and typing in Docket No. G-40, Sub 160.

The Commission has instituted an investigation into the application, and has scheduled the matter for a public witness hearing for Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. The hearing will be conducted remotely via Webex with telephonic access. A link to the Webex hearing for public viewing will be available at www.ncuc.net.

The hearing on June 22, 2021, will be solely for the purpose of receiving the testimony of public witnesses in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g). The Commission reserves the right to limit testimony at the public witness hearing pursuant to Commission Rule R1-21(g)(5).

Members of the public that would like to testify must register in advance of the hearing, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2021, by contacting the Public Staff via email at FrontierPublicHearing@psncuc.nc.gov or by calling 919-733-6110. When registering, provide your name, docket number (G-40, Sub 160), telephone number you will use to participate in the hearing, and the topic of your testimony.

Only individuals registered with the Public Staff by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2021, will be allowed to testify at the hearing.

The remote hearing will resume on Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., and will continue as required for testimony and cross-examination of witnesses for the Applicants, the Public Staff, and other intervenors.

Persons having an interest in this matter and desiring to intervene as formal parties of record may file their motions to intervene not later than May 24, 2021, and in accordance with Rules R1-5 and R1-19 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. These motions should reference Docket No. G-40, Sub 160, and should be filed with the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300. All intervenors who wish to present testimony in the proceeding must prefile their testimony not later than May 24, 2021.

Persons desiring to send written statements to inform the Commission of their positions in the matter should address their statements to the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300 and reference Docket No. G-40, Sub 160. However, such written statements cannot be considered competent evidence unless those persons appear at the hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements. Persons can also email the Commission a statement about the application via the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net/contactus.html. In either case, consumer statements will be placed in Docket No. G-40, Sub 160, and may be accessed by searching that docket number via the Commission's website.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff – North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4326.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-9001.

The Commission may cancel the public witness hearing if no substantial written statements regarding the application are received by the Commission's Chief Clerk on or before Monday, June 14, 2021, and if no substantial registrations to provide testimony at the public witness hearing are received by Monday, June 14, 2021.

This the 31st day of March, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION



Kimberley A. Campbell, Chief Clerk

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