January 11, 2006

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on January 11, 2006, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Clark, Wefald, and Cramer.

Minutes

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of December 30, 2005, be approved.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Bills

Mr. Cramer: I move the following bills, as reviewed by the Commission, be approved and paid:

FedEx	14.28
Stephan A. Schroeder	72.84
William E. Dodd	22.50
Bruce Beechie	66.50
Guy Welch	104.94
David Bickel	15.00
James Deutsch	30.00
Timothy Erdmann	805.18
Wayne Grangaard	432.29
OMB – 12/05 postage	610.02
OMB – 12/05 supplies	215.24
Office of Administrative Hearings	1,971.73
ND Geological Survey	425.79
Elan	5,778.47

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-6 Duc Thiel Auctioneer License Application Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Duc Thiel, Stanley, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-7 Duc Thiel dba D-N-R Auction Service Auction Clerk License Application Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the Auction Clerk license application for Duc Thiel, Stanley, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-8 Pamela Nester Auctioneer License Application Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Pamela Nester, Reeder, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-9 Pamela Nester Auction Clerk License Application

Case No. AU-06-3 Gerry A. Vangsness Auctioneer License Revocation

Case No. AU-06-12 Jude Sonju Auctioneer License Application

Case No. AU-06-13 Jude Sonju Auction Clerk License Application

Case No. PU-05-641 Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Scott Kueffler, Grenora, North Dakota Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-05-324
Martin Construction, Inc. vs.
Qwest Corporation
Complaint
Dismissal

Case No. GE-05-663
Shafer Seed Company
License No. 243 - Oakes, ND
Suspension/Revocation
Discontinue Business

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auction clerk license application for Pamela Nester, Reeder. North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. AU-06-3 revoking auctioneer license number 324 of Gerry A. Vangsness, Walcott, North Dakota, as of December 30, 2005, for failing to maintain an adequate bond filing.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Jude Sonju, St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auction clerk license application for Jude Sonju, St. Cloud. Minnesota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the Order and issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. to extend electric service to Scott Kueffler for a water tank heater site near Grenora, North Dakota, Case No. PU-05-641.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission adopt the Order approving the Stipulation for Dismissal filed by the parties in Case No. PU-05-324 and close the case.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-05-663 granting the request of Shafer Seed Company to discontinue business at Oakes, North Dakota, effective January 5, 2006.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-10 TMT Farms Bean and Seed Co. Grain Warehouse - Medina, ND License Application

Case No. GE-06-11 Wagner's, LLC dba Shafer Seed Company Grain Warehouse - Oakes, ND License Application

Case No. GE-05-649
Four Star Farm Services, Inc.
Roving Grain Buyer License Hazelton, ND
Suspension/Revocation

Case No. PU-05-613
Otter Tail Corporation
Controlled Service - Interruptible Load
Tariff
Approve

Case No. PU-06-4 Northern States Power Company Cogeneration/Small Power Producer Rates Approve

Case No. PU-05-661 Otter Tail Corporation January 2006 Fuel Cost Adjustment

Case No. PU-05-662 Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU January 2006 Fuel Cost Adjustment Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-10 granting the request of TMT Farms Bean & Seed Co. to operate a 303,000-bushel grain warehouse at Medina, North Dakota, effective immediately. This facility will be licensed as TMT Farms Bean & Seed Co. doing business as Diamond W. Feeds.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-11 granting the request of Wagner's, LLC dba Shafer Seed Company to operate a 215,000-bushel grain warehouse at Oakes, North Dakota, effective January 5, 2006.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-05-649 revoking roving grain buyer license number 3085 of Four Star Farm Services, Inc., Hazelton, North Dakota, effective January 10, 2006, for failure to maintain adequate bond filing.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission approve Otter Tail Corporation's Controlled Service-Interruptible Load tariff, Case No. PU-05-613.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's Cogeneration/Small Power Producer rates. Case No. PU-06-4.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Discussion Items Only

Case No. PU-05-671 Northern States Power Company January 2006 Fuel Cost Adjustment Discussion Items Continued

Case No. PU-05-664 Northern States Power Company January 2006 Cost of Gas Adjustment

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's cost of gas adjustment for January 2006, Case No. PU-05-664.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-2 Great Plains Natural Gas Co. January 2006 Cost of Gas Adjustment Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s Cost of Gas adjustment for January 2006, Case No. PU-06-2.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-05-631 North Dakota One-Call CY2006 - R079-07 Application Mr. Cramer: I move the North Dakota Public Service Commission submit the calendar year 2006 North Dakota One-Call Grant Application in the amount of \$75,000.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Testing and Safety Division
Authorization for Price Quote

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission authorize the Testing and Safety Division to obtain price quote for the 50-gallon, slide-in prover units.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:12 A.M.

TONN'T OLADIC DECIDENT

Executive Secretary

TONY T. CLARK, PRESIDENT