

July 26, 2006

The Public Service Commission convened in the Missouri River Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on July 26, 2006, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Clark, Wefald, and Cramer.

Minutes

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of July 12, 2006, 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:

Quality Construction, Inc.	17,068.80
Alltel	307.16
Leo D. Praus – 8/06 advance	571.50
Jerry Lein	286.00
ND Newspaper Association	380.36
Dean K. Moos	30.00
Office of Administrative Hearings	581.28
ITD – 6/06 dp fee & misc. fee	5,951.61
DOT – 6/06	13,336.47
OMB – 6/06 ups	10.34
Basaraba Excavating & Dirt Works LLC	2,070.00
Thiem Drilling	24,690.95
Quality Construction, Inc.	37,002.88
Elan	6,498.55

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-298
Zane Wicks
Auctioneer
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Zane Wicks, Richardton, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-322
John L. Korrey
Auctioneer
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for John L. Korrey, Iliff, Colorado.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-06-323
Dean Johnson
Auctioneer
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Dean Johnson, Beach, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-320
Hawkeye Commodities Company
Roving Grain Buyer - Grimes, IA
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the roving grain buyer license application for Hawkeye Commodities Company, Grimes, Iowa.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-05-451
Midcontinent Communications/ND
Telephone Co.
Rural Exemption
Investigation

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order on Further Hearing on the Interim Discount Rate in Midcontinent Communications/North Dakota Telephone Company Rural Exemption Investigation, Case No. PU-05-451.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-58
Qwest Performance Assurance Plan
Investigation

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Comment and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Case No. PU-06-58, Public Service Commission's Investigation into Qwest's Performance Assurance Plan.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-292
Integra Telecom, Inc.
Grand Forks Switch
Numbering Resources

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Case No. PU-06-292, Integra Telecom, Inc., Grand Forks Switch, Numbering Resources.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-293
IdeaOne Telecom Group LLC
Fargo Switch
Numbering Resources

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Case No. PU-06-293, IdeaOne Telecom Group LLC, Fargo Switch, Numbering Resources.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-314
M & M Trucking, Inc.
Roving Grain Buyer - Bismarck, ND
Discontinue Business

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-314 granting the request of M & Trucking, Inc., Bismarck, North Dakota, to discontinue business as a North Dakota roving grain buyer, effective August 1, 2006.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-319
Roger Maras Trucking, Inc.
Roving Grain Buyer - Fargo, ND
Discontinue Business

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-319 granting the request of Roger Maras Trucking, Inc., Fargo, North Dakota, to discontinue business as a North Dakota roving grain buyer, effective August 1, 2006.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-313
Tappen Farm Supply, Inc.
License No. 838 - Tappen, ND
Discontinue Business

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-313 granting the request of Tappen Farm Supply, Inc. to discontinue business at Tappen, North Dakota.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-321
Falkirk Farmers Elevator Co.
Grain Warehouse - Hazen, ND
License Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-321 granting the request of Falkirk Farmers Elevator Co. to operate a 320,000-bushel grain warehouse at Falkirk, North Dakota, effective July 21, 2006.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-290
Federal 2005 Energy Policy Act
Standards
Investigation

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission issue an Order Opening Investigation and Notice of Workshop to consider whether to adopt certain energy policy standards under the federal Energy Policies Act of 2005, Case No. PU-06-290.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-312
FPL Energy Oliver County Wind, LLC
230kV Transmission Line - Oliver
County
Siting Application

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission acknowledge the Letter of Intent, shorten the one year waiting period between filing a letter of intent and a siting application to one day, and assess a filing fee of \$22,500 in Case No. PU-06-312, FPL Energy Oliver County Wind, LLC's proposed 230 kV Transmission Line and associated facilities in Oliver County, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-297
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a
Division of MDU
August 2006
Cost of Gas Adj./Natural Gas

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s Natural Gas Cost of Gas Adjustment for August 2006, Case No. PU-06-297.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-317
Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC
Crude Oil Pump. Stations-McKenzie-
Wms-Mntrail Ctys
Siting Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission acknowledge Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC's letter of intent to upgrade the Alexander, Trenton, Beaver Lodge and Stanley pump stations on its existing crude oil pipeline in McKenzie, Williams and Mountrail Counties, waive the waiting period for filing a siting application, assess a filing fee of \$82,250, and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC's application for an amended route permit, Case No. PU-06-317.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-06-148
Coteau Properties Company
Revision 25, Permit NACT-8503
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Revision No. 25 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. NACT-8503, held by the Coteau Properties Company for the Freedom Mine, to identify the next five-year coal removal areas and to update legal and business entity information and mining and reclamation plans for the next five-year permit term.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-06-150
Coteau Properties Company
Renewal 4, Permit NACT-8503
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Renewal No. 4 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. NACT-8503, held by the Coteau Properties Company, to extend the permit term for another five years, until August 7, 2011.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-06-151
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Revision No. 18, Permit KRSB-8603
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Revision No. 18 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. KRSB-8603, held by Dakota Westmoreland Corporation for the Beulah Mine, to identify the next five-year coal removal subarea and to update mining and reclamation plans and other information the next five-year permit term.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-06-153
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Renewal No. 4, Permit KRSB-8603
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Renewal No. 4 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. KRSB-8603, held by Dakota Westmoreland Corporation for the Beulah Mine, to extend the permit term another five years, until August 7, 2011.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

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ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:40 A.M.

Executive Secretary

TONY T. CLARK, PRESIDENT