March 26, 2008

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on March 26, 2008, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Wefald, Cramer and Clark.

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of March 12, 2008 be approved.

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

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

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National Association of AML Programs	50.00
Interstate Mining Compact Commission	250.00
National Association of Pipeline Safety	310.00
Reps	
UND – Interactive Video Network	54.28
UND – Bureau of Governmental Affairs	95.00
ND Surplus Property	20.00
Williams County Abstract Company	4,760.00
Alltel	232.40
Kevin Cramer	124.00
Anthony T. Clark	579.15
OMB – training	50.00
Attorney General's Office	607.25
OMB – 2/08 central duplicating	6.64
DOT	12,179.58
Mr. Clark: I second the motion.	-

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission close-out Contract No. AM-554-08 with Northwest Abstract and Title, Inc. for the title work that has completed for the Columbus Phase 9 Abandoned Mine Land Project.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission close-out Contract No. AM-555-08 with the Williams County Abstract Company for the title work that has completed for the Williams County Road 9 Phase 3 Abandoned Mine Land Project.

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

Case No. AM-08-9 Columbus 2008 Phase 9 Construction Project

Minutes

Bills

Case No. AM-08-10 Williams County Rd 9 2008 Phase 9 Construction Project Case No. PU-08-96 Consolidated Telcom Switch Access Price Schedule

Case No. GE-08-103 Commercial Lynks Inc. Roving Grain Buyer - Alexandria VA. License Application

Case No. GE-08-106 MG Grain, LLC Roving Grain Buyer Discontinue Business

Case No. AU-08-109 John Beazley Auctioneer License Application

Case No. AU-08-110 Kevin Tink Auctioneer License Application

Case No. AU-08-111 Scott Lee Forke Auctioneer License Application

Case No. AU-08-112 Kent L. Kleiman Auctioneer License Application

Case No. AU-08-123 Jacob S. Thomsen Auctioneer License Application Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission suspend Consolidated Telcom's switched access price schedule filing, Case No. PU-08-96.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the roving grain license application for Commercial Lynks, Inc., of Alexandria, Virginia, effective March 19, 2008. Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-08-106 granting the request of MG Grain, LLC of Minot, North Dakota, to discontinue business as a North Dakota roving grain buyer.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for John Beazley, Lincoln, Nebraska, effective March 13, 2008.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Kevin Tink, Lincoln, Nebraska effective March 13, 2008.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Scott Lee Forke, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Kent L. Kleiman, Lincoln, Nebraska effective March 13, 2008.

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

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Jacob S. Thomsen, Baldwin, North Dakota.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye." Case No. PU-07-776 Northern States Power Company Electric Rate Increase Application

Case No. PU-08-48 Otter Tail Corporation/Minnkota Power Cooperative Luverne to Maple River Electric Transmission Line Application

Case No. PU-08-107 M-Power, LLC 230v Electric Transmission Line -Steele County Siting Application

Case No. PU-08-119 Northern States Power Company March 2008 Fuel Cost Adjustment

Case No. RC-07-461 BNI Coal, Ltd. Revision 22 to Permit BNCR-9702 Approval Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Hearing in Northern States Power Company's Electric Rate Increase Application, Case No. PU-07-776. Mr. Cramer: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

HOLD OVER - Notice of Filing and Notice of Hearing

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission acknowledge the Letter of Intent, shorten the one-year waiting period for filing an application to one day and assess a filing fee of \$22,750 due upon filing of an application in Case No. PU-08-107, M-Power, LLC's proposed 230 kV electric transmission line in Steele County, North Dakota.

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

**Discussion Only** 

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission conditionally approve Revision No. 22 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. BNCR-9702, held by BNI Coal, Ltd. for the Center Mine, to allow additional mining within the existing permit area and update other information and mining and reclamation plans in the permit. I further move the approval of the bond stipulation that reduces Collateral Bond CB-9702-01 to zero.

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

Case No. PU-07-791 Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC Pump Station Upgrades Siting Application Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Filing and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC's application to amend existing corridor or route permits to upgrade pump stations, Case No. PU-07-791.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye." Case No. PU-08-104 Great Plains Natural Gas Co. March 2008 Cost of Gas

Case No. PU-08-105 Northern States Power Company March 2008 Cost of Gas

Case No. PU-08-120 Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU April 2008 Cost of Gas/Natural Gas

Case No. PU-05-492 Numbering Issues Investigation

ATTEST

its response to NeuStar Numbering Pooling Services that Level 3 Comm - ND has activated number blocks assigned in the Dickinson ND 264 and the Valley City ND 890 calling prefixes, Case No PU-05-492. Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission acknowledge

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:27 A.M.

**Executive Director** 

SUSAN E. WEFALD, PRESIDENT