North Dakota Public Service Commission

SPECIAL MEETING

May 13, 2004 - 9:00 AM

Location:

Commission Hearing Room 12th Floor – State Capitol 600 E. Boulevard Avenue Bismarck, North Dakota

Agenda Item or Items:

Case No. RR-439-03-271

Public Service Commission Rail Rates on Grain Investigation

The special meeting is scheduled for the purpose of discussing the Commission's Rail Rate Investigation case. The Commission intends to go into executive session as permitted under North Dakota Century Code sections 44-04-19.1(2) and 44-04-19.2 for attorney consultation regarding the reasonableness of rail rates for grain shipped from specific North Dakota origins to specific destinations, the reasonableness of and probabilities of success of a rate complaint before the federal Surface transportation Board, and the strategy to pursue a rate complaint case before the Surface Transportation Board.

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