

January 14, 2004

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on January 14, 2004, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Clark, Wefald, and Cramer.

Minutes

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of December 31, 2003, be approved.

Mrs. Wefald: 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:

ND Newspaper Association	1,253.67
Gateway	2,786.00
DLT Solutions, Inc.	1,876.80
Presort Plus	8.37
Bill Eide	62.10
David Bickel	12.00
Timothy A. Erdmann	320.49
Patrick Fahn	95.00
Mark Knell	10.00
Wayne Grangaard	468.37
Assoc of American Warehouse Control Off	50.00

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-439-03-295
Local Competition
Investigation

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission grant Consolidated Communications Networks, Inc.'s request to withdraw its intervention in the Public Service Commission's local competition investigation, Case No. PU-439-03-295.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-1226-03-597
Northwest Dakota Cellular of North
Dakota Limited Partnership
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission grant Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC's request to withdraw its intervention in the above captioned applications for eligible carrier designation.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-386-03-598
North Central RSA 2 of ND Limited
Partnership
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Case No. PU-897-03-599
North Dakota RSA No. 3 Limited
Partnership
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Cases Continued

Case No. PU-1225-03-600
Badlands Cellular of North Dakota
Limited Partnership
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Case No. PU-338-03-601
North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited
Partnership
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Case No. PU-494-03-602
Bismarck MSA Limited Partnership
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Case No. PU-2989-03-716
Phonetec PCS, LLC
Long Distance/Cellular Reseller
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission issue
Certificates of Registration to Phonetec PCS, LLC to
resell interexchange and cellular telecommunications
services in North Dakota, Case No. PU-2989-03-716.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-587-04-9
Universal Ag Products, Inc. - Roving
Grain Buyer
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the
roving grain buyer license application for Universal Ag
Products, Inc., Galesburg, North Dakota.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-399-03-682
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a
Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc
Mitch Kinnischtzke, Hebron, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the
Order issuing a Certificate of Public Convenience and
Necessity authorizing Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. to
extend electric service to Mitch Kinnischtzke for a
residential site near Hebron, North Dakota, Case No.
PU-399-03-682.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-2805-03-694
Otter Tail Corporation
South Dakota Wheat Growers,
Eldridge, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the Order issuing a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing Otter Tail Corporation to extend electric service to South Dakota Wheat Growers for a fertilizer plant site near Eldridge, North Dakota, Case No. PU-2805-03-694.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-400-04-3
Northern States Power Company
Cogeneration/Small Power Producer
Rates

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's Cogeneration/Small Power Producer rates, Case No. PU-400-04-3.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-399-03-296
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a
Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc
Electric Rate Increase
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s Compliance Rates filed in the Electric Rate Increase application in Case No. PU-399-03-296.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-2993-04-8
Northwood Bean Co., Inc.
Grain Warehouse - Northwood, ND
License Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-04-8 granting the request of Northwood Bean Co., Inc. to operate a 26,000-bushel bean warehouse at Northwood, North Dakota.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-439-03-295
Local Competition
Investigation

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission adopt the Order in the Public Service Commission's Local Competition Investigation, Case No. PU-439-03-295.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-2297-04-11
North Dakota One-Call
CY2004 - Grant R07905
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the North Dakota Public Service Commission submit the Calendar Year 2004 North Dakota One-Call Grant Application in the amount of \$50,000.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-157-02-15
Wimbledon Grain Co.
Wimbledon, ND
Insolvency

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission approve the proposed Supplemental Report and Recommendation of Trustee to be filed with the District County of Burleigh Court, North Dakota upon final settlement of the parties and approval by the Courts with jurisdiction in the Wimbledon Grain Co. insolvency, Public Service Commission Case No. GE-157-02-15.

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

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:00 A.M.

Executive Secretary

TONY T. CLARK, PRESIDENT