

November 8, 2006

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on November 8, 2006, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Clark, Wefald, and Cramer.

Minutes

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of October 25, 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:

Hewlett-Packard Company	3,416.00
FedEx	14.04
Thompson Hine LLP	500.00
Zones, Inc.	5,529.82
ND Newspaper Association	194.64
ND State Board of Registration	178.00
Thiem Drilling, Inc.	32,939.80
Leo D. Praus	554.84
Phyllis G. Richter	671.62
Susan Wefald	71.50
Alan Moch	247.50
Kevin Cramer	381.59
Bill Eide	474.80
Rick Fillbrandt	541.50
William W. Binek	440.87
Timothy Erdmann	1,101.60
Stephan A. Schroeder	346.22
Mark Knell	290.04
Michael Berg	95.00
William E. Dodd	90.37
Guy Welch	30.00
Melisa Toepke-Peterson	30.00
Bruce Johnson	7.50
Dean K. Moos	728.59
Bruce Beechie	1,335.37
Larry Reisenauer	726.82
TMT Farms Bean & Seed Co.	300.00
OMB-9/06 ups	5.68
ITD-10/06 ph chgs	2,591.85
Office of Administrative Hearings	752.48
ITD-10/06 microfilm	718.20
OMB-10/06 supplies	487.36
GE Corporate Payment Services	3,109.53

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-467
Spokane Seed Company
Roving Grain Buyer - Spokane, WA
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the roving grain license application for Spokane Seed Company, Spokane, Washington.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-422
Otter Tail Corporation
Ryan Todd, Wheatland, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the Order and issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing Otter Tail Corporation to extend electric service to Ryan Todd for a residential site near Wheatland, North Dakota, Case No. PU-06-422.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-430
Otter Tail Corporation
Greg Mitchell, Rolla, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the Order and issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing Otter Tail Corporation to extend electric service to Greg Mitchell for a residential site near Rolla, North Dakota, Case No. PU-06-430.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-434
Otter Tail Corporation
Wendy Johnson, Oakes, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the Order and issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing Otter Tail Corporation to extend electric service to Wendy Johnson for a residential site near Oakes, North Dakota, Case No. PU-06-434.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-06-424
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Notice of Violation No. 0603
Violation

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission adopt the order to affirm Notice of Violation No. 0603 issued to Dakota Westmoreland Corporation at the Beulah Mine, cancel the informal conference scheduled in the matter, and close the case.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Blaster Certification/Recertification
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the blaster certification/recertification of the following applicants:

No.	Applicant	Affiliation	Certificate No.
		<u>Certification</u>	
1.	Rachel Hushka	DWC Beulah	03-11-265R(1)
2.	Wayne Hoyer	DWC Beulah	03-11-266R(1)

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-458
Aaron Krauter
AllTel Corporation
Complaint

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission find the complaint states a prima facie case, and serve the complaint on AllTel Corporation.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-06-459
Joliette Ag Systems Inc.
Grain Warehouse - Pembina, ND
License Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-06-459 granting the request of Joliette Ag Systems Inc. to operate a 137,600-bushel grain warehouse at Pembina, North Dakota, effective November 1, 2006.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-400
Midcontinent Communications/
Consolidated Telcom
Rural Exemption
Investigation

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission adopt the Order approving the stipulation filed by Midcontinent Communications and Consolidated Telcom in this proceeding.

Mrs. Wefald: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-276
Aero-Stor Condominium I Association
Master Meter Waiver
Approval

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission adopt the Order granting Aero-Stor Condominium Association's petition to master meter electric service, Case No. PU-06-276.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-446
Otter Tail Corporation
November 2006
Fuel Cost Adjustment

Discussion Items Only

Case No. PU-06-447
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a
Division of MDU
November 2006
Fuel Cost Adjustment

Case No. PU-06-455
Northern States Power Company
November 2006
Fuel Cost Adjustment

Case No. AM-05-577
AML Maintenance
2006 Construction
Project

Mrs. Wefald: I move the Commission award a contract to Hanson's Excavating, Inc. of Des Lacs, ND in the amount of \$12,775.00 for sinkhole filling at several abandoned mine land sites in western North Dakota.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-160
Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
2005
Annual Report

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission close Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s 2005 Annual Report, Case No. PU-06-160.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-162
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a
Division of MDU
2005 Gas Operations
Annual Report

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission close Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s 2005 Gas Operations Annual Report, Case No. PU-06-162.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-190
Northern States Power Company
2005 Gas Operations
Annual Report

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission close Northern States Power Company's 2005 Gas Operations Annual Report, Case No. PU-06-190.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-457
Northern States Power Company
November 2006
Cost of Gas Adjustment

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's Cost of Gas Adjustment for November 2006, Case No. PU-06-457.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-06-465
Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
November 2006
Cost of Gas Adjustment

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Great Plains Natural Gas Co.'s Cost of Gas adjustment for November 2006, Case No. PU-06-465.

Mr. Clark: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:10 A.M.

Executive Secretary

TONY T. CLARK, PRESIDENT