

August 31, 2010

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on August 31, 2010, 09:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Cramer, Clark and Kalk.

Case No. PU-10-568
Bear Paw Energy, LLC
Garden Creek Plant - Gas Processing -
McKenzie Cty
Siting Application

Mr. Cramer: 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 ten days, and assess a filing fee of \$87,500 in Case No. PU-10-568, Bear Paw Energy, LLC's proposed gas processing plant in McKenzie County, North Dakota.

Mr. Kalk: 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:

Smith Contracting, Inc.	99,522.50
Leo Praus 9/10 advance	457.50

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-09-676
Otter Tail Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence-
CapX2020 Group 1
Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission retain Mitchell D. Armstrong to provide legal services to assist the Commission in processing Case Nos. PU-09-676 and PU-09-678.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-09-678
Northern States Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence-
CapX2020 Group 1
Application

Case No. PU-09-724
Oliver Wind III, LLC
230 kV Transmission Line –
Oliver & Morton
Siting Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission retain Mitchell D. Armstrong to provide legal services to assist the Commission in processing Case No. PU-09-724.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 09:34 A.M.

Executive Secretary

KEVIN CRAMER, CHAIRMAN