

June 22, 2011

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on June 22, 2011, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Kalk and Cramer. Commissioner Clark participated by telephone.

Minutes

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of June 8, 2011 be approved.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-11-170
Louis Dreyfus Commodities LLC
Roving Grain Buyer - Minneapolis, MN
License Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve the roving grain buyer license application in Case No. GE-11-170 for Louis Dreyfus Commodities LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, effective immediately.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-11-153
Otter Tail Power Company
Trans. Facility Cost Recovery &
2011 Rate Adjust.
Tariff

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission reduce Otter Tail Power Company's filing fee for its proposed transmission rider tariff from \$50,000 to \$10,000 in accordance with NDCC 49-05-04.3.2.d., Case No. PU-11-153.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-11-192
Otter Tail Power Company
Leon Backer - Richland County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in the application of Otter Tail Power Company to extend electric service to Leon Backer at a location in Richland County, North Dakota, Case No. PU-11-192.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-11-79
Gas Pipeline Safety
Rulemaking

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission propose the following amendments to the North Dakota Administrative Code, schedule a hearing for 10:00 a.m., on August 9, 2011, issue a Notice of Intent to Amend Administrative Rules and Notice of Public Hearing, and issue an abbreviated Notice of Intent to Amend Administrative Rules and Notice of Public Hearing for publication in each official county newspaper throughout the state as required by law.

Section 69-09-03-02 Amendments to Gas Pipeline Safety

Section 69-05.2-12-04 Amendments to Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-11-236
Reclamation
Rulemaking

Case No. GE-11-62
Gwinner Farmers Elevator Company
Grain Warehouse
Discontinue Business

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-11-62 cancelling the warehouse licenses issued to Gwinner Farmers Elevator Company at Gwinner, Forman, Havana, and Cogswell, North Dakota and ordering that business at these locations is discontinued effective immediately.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-11-228
Full Circle Ag
Grain Warehouse
License Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-11-228 granting the request of Full Circle Ag of Britton, South Dakota, to operate grain warehouses at Gwinner, Forman, and Havana, North Dakota, effective immediately.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-11-231
TMT Farms Bean and Seed Co.
License No. 1166 - Medina, ND
Discontinue Business

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-11-231 cancelling warehouse license number 1166 issued to TMT Farms Bean and Seed Co. doing business as Diamond W Feeds at Medina, North Dakota and ordering that business at Medina, North Dakota is discontinued effective immediately.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-11-193
Diamond W Feeds, Inc.
Grain Warehouse - Medina, ND
License Application

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-11-193 granting the request of Diamond W Feeds, Inc. to operate a 303,000-bushel grain warehouse at Medina, North Dakota, effective immediately.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GE-11-284
CC Grain, LLC
License No. 1225 - Goodrich, ND
Discontinue Business

Mr. Clark: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. GE-11-284 cancelling warehouse license number 1225 issued to CC Grain, LLC at Goodrich, North Dakota and ordering that business at Goodrich, North Dakota is discontinued effective immediately.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-10-657
Northern States Power Company
2011 Electric Rate Increase
Application

Mr. Kalk: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Rescheduled Hearing in Northern States Power Company's 2011 electric rate increase application, Case No. PU-10-657 and its 2012 electric rate increase application, Case No. PU-11-55.

Case No. PU-11-55
Northern States Power Company
2012 Electric Rate Increase
Application

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-11-232
Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC
Berthold Station Expansion Project
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 10 days, and assess a filing fee of \$100,000 due upon filing an application in Case No. PU-11-232, Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC's proposed expansion and upgrades to its Berthold Station in Ward County, North Dakota.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

PU-11-163
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.,
a Division of MDU Resources
Advance Determination of Prudence –
Big stone Air
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission appoint Mike Diller, Mark Gruman and Christopher Marohl as advocacy staff in Montana-Dakota Utilities Company's application for advance determination of prudence concerning its Big Stone air quality control system project, Case No. PU-11-163.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

PU-11-165
Otter Tail Power Company
Advance Determination of Prudence –
Big stone Air
Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission appoint Mike Diller, Mark Gruman and Christopher Marohl as advocacy staff in Otter Tail Power Company's application for advance determination of prudence concerning its Big Stone air quality control system project, Case No. PU-11-165.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

The Public Service Commission recessed the administrative matters meeting at 10:50 a.m. and reconvened the administrative matters meeting at 2:30 p.m. and adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 10:50 A.M.

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Executive Secretary

TONY CLARK, CHAIRMAN