

January 26, 2011

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on January 26, 2011, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Cramer and Kalk.

Minutes

Mr. Cramer: I move the minutes of January 12, 2011 be approved.

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:

Alltel	585.93
ND Newspaper Association	280.64
Felhaber Larson Fenlon & Vogt	5,210.57
Leo Praus – 2/11 advance	491.00
OMB – 12/10 printing	21.00
Attorney General's Office	723.17
Office of Administrative Hearings	3,400.00
OMB – 12/10 postage	867.94
Surplus Property	69.00

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-07-759
Northern States Power Company
Fargo-Monticello MN 345 KV CapX
Transmission Line
Siting Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission amend the Motion in the captioned case that was adopted at the December 14, 2007 meeting to correct the case number in the body of the motion from Case No. PU-07-766 to Case No. PU-07-759.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-11-23
Northern States Power Company
Cogeneration / Small Power Production
Rates

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's updated Cogeneration/Small Power Producer rates, Case No. PU-11-23.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-10-553
Hiland Operating, LLC
4-Inch Natural Gas Liquids Pipelines
Siting Application

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission acknowledge the withdrawal by Hiland Operating, LLC of its August 10, 2010 Letter of Intent to construct a 4-inch natural gas liquids pipeline in McKenzie and Williams Counties, North Dakota.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

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

Mr. Kalk: I move the commission adopt the Order on Interim Rates authorizing interim electric rates in Northern States Power Company's Electric Rate Increase application, Case No. PU 10-657.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-08-612
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Revision No. 25, Permit KRSB-8802
Approval

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission conditionally approve Revision No. 25 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. KRSB-8802, held by Dakota Westmoreland Corporation for the Beulah Mine, to cease mining east of State Highway 49, add final pit reclamation plans, and update other information in response to a midterm permit review.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

At 10:33 a.m. Commissioner Clark joined the meeting by telephone.

Case No. GE-10-242
Tharaldson Ethanol Plant I, LLC
License Renewal Year 2010
Annual Activity

Mr. Cramer: I move the Commission grant the request of Tharaldson Ethanol Plant I, LLC to increase grain warehouse bond number 08916922 issued by Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland to \$5,000,000 in Case No. GE-10-242.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:05 A.M.

Executive Secretary

TONY CLARK, CHAIRMAN