

July 16, 2025

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on July 16, 2025, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart and Kringstad.

Minutes

Mr. Christmann: I move the minutes of July 2, 2025, be approved.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-25-80
BNI Coal, Ltd.
Revision 19, Permit BNCR-9401
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Revision 19 to Surface Coal Mining Permit BNCR-9401 held by BNI Coal, Ltd. for the Center Mine, to identify the next five-year coal removal area and update mining and reclamation plans and other sections of the permit for the next permit term in BNI Coal, Ltd., Revision 19, Permit BNCR-9401, Application, Case No. RC-25-80.

Ms. Kringstad: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-25-81
BNI Coal, Ltd.
Renewal 6, Permit BNCR-9401
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Renewal 6 to Surface Coal Mining Permit BNCR-9401 held by BNI Coal, Ltd. for the Center Mine, to extend the permit term on the existing permit area for the next five years, until August 16, 2030, in BNI Coal, Ltd., Renewal 6, Permit BNCR-9401, Application, Case No. RC-25-81.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-25-149
BNI Coal, Ltd.
Revision 45, Permit BNCR-9702
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission revoke Special Condition No. 2 and approve Revision 45 to Surface Coal Mining Permit BNCR-9702 held by BNI Coal, Ltd. for the Center Mine, to identify the next five-year coal removal areas and update mining and reclamation plans and other sections of the permit for the next permit term in BNI Coal, Ltd., Revision 45, Permit BNCR-9702, Application, Case No. RC-25-149.

Ms. Kringstad: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-25-150
BNI Coal, Ltd.
Renewal 5, Permit BNCR-9702
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Renewal 5 to Surface Coal Mining Permit BNCR-9702 held by BNI Coal, Ltd. for the Center Mine, to extend the permit term on the existing permit area for another five years, until August 2, 2030, in BNI Coal, Ltd., Renewal 5, Permit BNCR-9702, Application, Case No. RC-25-150.

Ms. Kringstad: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

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Case No. PU-24-388
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Deferred Accounting – Congestion
Litigation
Application

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Deferred Accounting – Congestion Litigation, Application, Case No. PU-24-388.

Ms. Kringstad: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-25-189
Northern States Power Company
BCR Refunds
Application

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Northern States Power Company, BCR Refunds, Application, Case No. PU-25-189.

Ms. Kringstad: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 10:48 A.M.



Executive Secretary



RANDY CHRISTMANN, CHAIR