

Rules Hearing

Script for Presiding Commissioner or Staff

Good afternoon. It is 1:00 p.m., Monday, December 15, 2014. This is a Public Service Commission meeting in the Public Service Commission hearing room on the 12th floor of the Capitol for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on proposed changes to the commission's administrative rules. The rules cases being heard today are:

- Case No. GS-14-761 concerning gas pipeline safety
- Case No. AD-14-762, concerning procedural rules
- Case No. GE-14-763, concerning licensing

I am Brian P. Kalk, Chairman of the Public Service Commission. With me today are Commissioner Randy Christmann and Commissioner Julie Fedorchak.

(Ask other Commissioners to speak??)

The Commission has scheduled this public hearing to allow everyone the opportunity to submit information or comments concerning the adoption of proposed changes to the North Dakota Administrative Code.

All comments received at this public hearing will be considered by the commission, together with all other written comments received. The last day to submit written comments is December 26, 2014.

The Public Service Commission will consider all of the comments received and address the comments in its written decision. Anyone may request a copy of the decision and one will be provided via e-mail or regular mail. The decision, and all other filings in each case, will also be available on the Commission's web site <http://www.psc.nd.gov/>

This hearing is being broadcast over the internet and is also being electronically recorded. We ask anyone who would like to comment to take the witness chair and speak into the microphone so that the broadcast and recording will be of good quality. When the red light is on the broadcast is live.

Everyone will be given the opportunity to speak. If you have a prepared statement, we would appreciate it if you would provide a written copy for the file.

There is also a sheet on the table (*or, being passed around*) for each of the cases. Please sign the sheet for each case in which you are interested.

First Case:

I will now open the hearing for comments on the Gas Pipeline Safety proposed rules, Case No. GS-14-761.

Does anyone wish to testify on Case No. GS-14-761, concerning Gas Pipeline Safety Rules?

Anyone else wish to testify?

All of the comments made today, and those provided in writing through December 26, 2014, will be considered and discussed in our decision. Also, any changes made to the proposed rules due to the Commission's review of comments received or the Commission discussion will be explained in the written decision. The record will remain open until Friday, December 26, 2014.

I will now close the portion of the hearing on Case No. GS-14-761.

Second Case:

I will now open the public hearing for comments on the procedural proposed rules, Case No. AD-14-762. Does anyone wish to testify on Case No. AD-14-762, relating to procedural rules?

Anyone else wish to testify?

All of the comments provided in writing through December 26, 2014, will be considered and discussed in our decision. Also, any changes made to the proposed rules due to the Commission's review of comments received or the Commission discussion will be explained in the written decision. The record will remain open until Friday, December 26, 2014.

I will now close the portion of the hearing on AD-14-762.

Third Case:

I will now open the public hearing for comments on the licensing proposed rules, Case No. GE-14-763. Does anyone wish to testify on Case No. GE-14-763, relating to licensing rules?

Anyone else wish to testify?

All of the comments provided in writing through December 26, 2014, will be considered and discussed in our decision. Also, any changes made to the proposed rules due to the Commission's review of comments received or the Commission discussion will be explained in the written decision. The record will remain open until Friday, December 26, 2014.

I will now close the portion of the hearing on GE-14-763.

The hearing is closed.