

September 4, 2019

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on September 4, 2019, 10:03 a.m. Present were Commissioners Kroshus, Fedorchak and Christmann.

Minutes

Mr. Kroshus: I move the minutes of August 21, 2019, be approved.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-19-286  
Public Service Commission  
Highlands Engineering & Surveying,  
PLLC  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission close Public Service Commission, Highlands Engineering & Surveying, PLLC, Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-19-286.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-14-682  
Roberts County Telephone  
Cooperative Association  
Local Exchange  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission adopt the Order Granting Protection of Information in Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association, Local Exchange, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-14-682.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-14-683  
Roberts County Telephone  
Cooperative Association  
Designated Eligible Carrier  
Application

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission adopt the Order Granting Protection of Information in Robert County Telephone Cooperative Association, Designated Eligible Carrier, Application, Case No. PU-14-683.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-19-172  
Northern States Power Company  
Fuel Clause Adjustment Variance  
Approval

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Northern States Power Company, Fuel Clause Adjustment Variance, Approval, Case No. PU-19-172.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-13-840  
Montana-Dakota Utilities / Otter Tail  
Power Co.  
345kV Transmission Line - Dickey  
County  
Siting Application

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Case No. PU-18-404  
Belle Fourche Pipeline Company  
8-inch Wilson-Bowline Pipeline  
Conversion Project  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in Belle Fourche Pipeline Company, 8-inch Wilson-Bowline Pipeline Conversion Project, Siting Application, Case No. PU-18-404.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-09-244  
Otter Tail Power Company  
40.5 MW Langdon Wind - Cavalier Cty.  
Decommissioning Plan & Cost

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve the revised decommissioning plan and cost estimate filed on July 12, 2019, in Otter Tail Power Company, 40.5 MW Langdon Wind - Cavalier Cty., Decommissioning Plan & Cost, Case No. PU-09-244, and the revised decommissioning plan and cost estimate filed on July 12, 2019, in Otter Tail Power Company, 48 MW Ashtabula Wind - Barnes Cty., Decommissioning Plan & Cost, Case No. PU-09-245.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-09-245  
Otter Tail Power Company  
48 MW Ashtabula Wind - Barnes Cty  
Decommissioning Plan & Cost

Case No. RC-18-332  
Coteau Properties Company  
Variance, Permit NACT-9001  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve The Coteau Properties Company's request for a variance to the ten-year revegetation responsibility period for 132.9 acres of reclaimed land located in Sections 1 and 2 of T145N, R88W, Mercer County where revegetation was delayed until mine roads, sedimentation ponds and stockpiles were removed and reclaimed.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-18-305  
Public Service Commission  
Carstensen Contracting, Inc.  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission appoint Brian Johnson as advocacy staff effective August 19, 2019, in Public Service Commission, Carstensen Construction, Inc., Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-18-305.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-19-215  
Public Service Commission  
Fox Hills Fencing  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission appoint Brian Johnson and Victor Schock as advocacy staff effective July 23, 2019, in Public Service Commission, Fox Hills Fencing, Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-19-215.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

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Case No. PU-19-219  
Public Service Commission  
Oakland Construction, Inc.  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission appoint Brian Johnson and Victor Schock as advocacy staff effective August 16, 2019, in Public Service Commission, Oakland Construction, Inc., Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-19-219.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:10 A.M.

  
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Executive Secretary

  
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BRIAN KROSHUS, CHAIRMAN