

January 20, 2021

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on January 20, 2021, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Kroshus.

Minutes

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the minutes of January 6, 2021, be approved.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-406  
Northern States Power Company  
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery  
(2021)  
Rates

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an application fee refund in the amount of \$9,842.23 in Northern States Power Company, Transmission Facility Cost Recovery (2021), Rates, Case No. PU-20-406.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-426  
Northern States Power Company  
Renewable Resource Cost Recovery  
(2021)  
Tariff and Rates

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an application fee refund in the amount of \$9,835.09 in Northern States Power Company, Renewable Resource Cost Recovery (2021), Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-20-426.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-16  
Northern States Power Company  
Cogeneration - Small Power  
Production  
Rates

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's annual update of cogeneration and small power production rates effective March 1, 2021, in Northern States Power Company, Cogeneration - Small Power Production, Rates, Case No. PU-21-16.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-447  
Otter Tail Power Company  
North Dakota Department of  
Transportation - McLean  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, North Dakota Department of Transportation – McLean, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-20-447.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-194  
Keith and Deanna Kessler  
v. Minnesota Power, a division of  
ALLETE, Inc.  
Complaint

WITHDRAWN (Notice of Hearing)

Case No. PU-20-194  
Keith and Deanna Kessler  
v. Minnesota Power, a division of  
ALLETE, Inc.  
Complaint

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order on Motion to Dismiss in Keith and Deanna Kessler v. Minnesota Power, a division of ALLETE, Inc., Complaint, Case No. PU-20-194.

Mr. Kroshus: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AM-20-180  
Public Service Commission  
2020 Hettinger and Stark Counties  
AML Project  
Project

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission close out Contract No. AM-827-20 with Dan Hart Patrol Service, LLC for completion of construction services in Public Service Commission, 2020 Hettinger and Stark Counties AML Project, Project, PSC Case No. AM-20-180.

Mr. Kroshus: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

2021 - 2023 Indirect Cost Rate

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission acknowledge the submission the 2021 – 2023 proposed indirect cost rate to the U.S. Department of Interior for review. The Commission further authorizes the Manager of Business Operations to negotiate the indirect cost rate proposal to determine a final rate.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 10:27 A.M.

  
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Executive Secretary

  
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JULIE FEDORCHAK, CHAIR