

March 17, 2021

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on March 17, 2021, 10:02 a.m. Present were Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Kroshus.

Minutes

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the minutes of March 3, 2021, be approved.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-08-932
EDF Renewable Development, Inc.
Merricourt Wind Power Project
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee interim refund in the amount of \$5,499.13 in EDF Renewable Development, Inc., Merricourt Wind Power Project, Siting Application, Case No. PU-08-932.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-14-842
Dakota Access, LLC
Dakota Access Pipeline Project
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission find that the tree and shrub mitigation is satisfactory and issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$1,686.59 in Dakota Access, LLC, Dakota Access Pipeline Project, Siting Application Case No. PU-14-842.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-19-376
Northern Divide Wind, LLC
200 MW Northern Divide Wind Energy
Center - Burke
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee interim refund in the amount of \$42,052.67 in Northern Divide Wind, LLC, 200 MW Northern Divide Wind Energy Center – Burke, Siting Application, Case No. PU-19-376.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-19-377
Northern Divide Wind, LLC
345 kV Transmission Line - Burke and
Mountrail
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee interim refund in the amount of \$42,644.97 in Northern Divide Wind, LLC, 345 kV Transmission Line – Burke and Mountrail, Siting Application, Case No. PU-19-377.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-247
OE2 North LLC
8" NGL & 20" Residue Gas Pipelines -
Williams Cnty
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee interim refund in the amount of \$9,755.72 in OE2 North LLC, 8" NGL & 20" Residue Gas Pipelines – Williams County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-20-247.

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

Case No. PU-20-399
Cenex Pipeline, LLC
Amend Certificate #202 and Route
Permit #212
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,934.43 in Cenex Pipeline, LLC, Amend Certificate #202 and Route Permit #212, Siting Application, Case No. PU-20-399.

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

Case No. PU-20-448
Cenex Pipeline, LLC
Amend Certificate #202 and Route
Permit #212
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,285.55 in Cenex Pipeline, LLC, Amend Certificate #202 and Route Permit #212, Siting Application, Case No. PU-20-448.

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

Compliance Division
Auctioneer and Auction Clerk Update

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission acknowledge the issuance of the following new auction license, which became effective during the month of February 2021.

AUCTIONEER LICENSE

Auctioneer Name	Location	Effective Date
Stanley Buchholz	Custer, MT	2/20/2021

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

Case No. PU-20-159
Otter Tail Power Company
Meter Readings Waiver
Approval

Ms. Fedorchak: Finding that a state of emergency has been declared to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19, I move the Commission approve the March 9, 2021, request to extend, from March 31, 2021, to June 30, 2021, the suspension of meter readings at locations where the electric meter is located inside an inhabited structure, and authorize estimate meter reads for those locations, Otter Tail Power Company, Meter Readings Waiver, Approval, Case No. PU-20-159.

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

Public Service Commission
988 FCC 20-100
Compliance

Mr. Christmann: Finding that the necessary actions have been completed to enable North Dakota to continue 7-digit dialing, I move the Commission direct staff to conclude its investigation and actions in Public Service Commission, 988 FCC 20-100, Compliance.

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

Case No. PU-21-30
Otter Tail Power Company
2021 Renewable Resource Cost
Recovery Adj. Factor
Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, 2021 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adj. Factor, Rates, Case No. PU 21-30.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.
Roll Call: Ms. Fedorchak votes "Aye".
Mr. Christmann votes "Aye".
Mr. Kroshus votes "Nay".

Case No. PU-21-89
Northern States Power Company
Customer Credit – DOE Settlement
2019
Application

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Northern States Power Company, Customer Credit – DOE Settlement 2019, Application, Case No. PU-21-89.

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

Case No. PU-21-92
Otter Tail Power Company
Generation Resource Cost Recovery
Rates

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission suspend the rate and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, Generation Resource Cost Recovery, Rates, Case No. PU 21-92.

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

Case No. PU-21-93
Northern States Power Company
Advance Prudence - 120MW Northern
Wind Facility
Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission appoint Brian Johnson, Adam Renfandt and Victor Schock as advocacy staff in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – 120MW Northern Wind Facility, Application, Case No. PU-21-93.

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

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:51 A.M.



Executive Secretary



JULIE FEDORCHAK, CHAIR