

December 15, 2021

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on December 15, 2021, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Kroshus.

Minutes

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the minutes of December 1, 2021, be approved.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-147
Otter Tail Power Company
North Dakota Dept. of Transportation -
LaMoure
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, North Dakota Dept. of Transportation – LaMoure, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-21-147.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-376
Otter Tail Power Company
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery
(2022)
Rates

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an application fee refund in the amount of \$9,562.36 in Otter Tail Power Company, Transmission Facility Cost Recovery (2022), Rates, Case No. PU-21-376.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-389
Northern States Power Company
Renewable Resource Cost Recovery
(2022)
Rates

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an application fee refund in the amount of \$9,838.53 in Northern States Power Company, Renewable Resource Cost Recovery (2022), Rates, Case No. PU-21-389.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-401
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Naomi Turner - Kidder County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Naomi Turner – Kidder County, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-21-401.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-08-797
Sequoia Energy US Inc.
150MW Border Winds Energy Project -
Rolette County
Siting Application

Case No. PU-13-64
Courtenay Wind Farm, LLC
200.5 MW Wind Energy Conversion
Facility-Stutsman
Siting Application

Case No. PU-15-174
Northern States Power Company /
Courtenay Wind
Transfer of Site Certificate
Siting Application

Case No. PU-17-362
Border Winds Energy / Northern States
Power Co.
Transfer of Site Certificate
Siting Application

Case No. PU-09-151
Allete, Inc.
Bison 1 Wind Project - Oliver / Morton
Counties
Siting Application

Case No. PU-11-57
Allete, Inc.
Bison 2 Wind Project - Oliver-Morton
Counties
Siting Application

Case No. PU-11-162
Allete, Inc.
Bison 3 Wind Project - Oliver - Morton
Counties
Siting Application

Case No. PU-11-662
Allete Clean Energy, Inc.
100 MW Clean Energy #1 Wind Pjc -
Mercer & Morton
Siting Application

Case No. PU-13-127
Allete, Inc.
210MW Bison 4 Wind Project - Oliver Cty
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move that the Commission adopt the Order on Request for Extension in Sequoia Energy US Inc., 150 MW Border Winds Energy Project – Rolette County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-08-797, Border Winds Energy / Northern States Power Co, Transfer of Site Certificate, Siting Application, Case No. PU-17-362, Courtenay Wind Farm, LLC, 200.5 MW Wind Energy Conversion Facility-Stutsman, Siting Application, Case No PU-13-64, and Northern States Power Company / Courtenay Wind, Transfer of Site Certificate, Siting Application, Case No. PU-15-174.

Mr. Kroshus: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Ms. Fedorchak: I move that the Commission adopt the Order on Request for Extension in Allete, Inc., Bison 1 Wind Project – Oliver-Morton Counties, Siting Application, Case No. PU-09-151, Allete, Inc., Bison 2 Wind Project – Oliver-Morton Counties, Siting Application, Case No. PU-11-57, Allete, Inc., Bison 3 Wind Project – Oliver-Morton Counties, Siting Application, Case No PU-11-162, Allete Clean Energy, Inc., 100 MW Clean Energy #1 Wind Pjc – Mercer & Morton, Siting Application, Case No. PU-11-662, and Allete, Inc., 210MW Bison 4 Wind Project – Oliver Cty, Siting Application, Case No. PU-13-127.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-16-539
Glacier Ridge Wind Farm, LLC
Glacier Ridge Wind Farm Project -
Barnes County
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue the Notice of Intent to Revoke Certificate of Site Compatibility in Glacier Ridge Wind Farm, LLC, Glacier Ridge Wind Farm Project – Barnes County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-16-539.

Mr. Kroshus: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-375
Basin Electric Power Cooperative
Wind Energy Facility Lighting Waiver -
69-06-11
Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move that the Commission adopt the Order on Motion for Waiver in Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Wind Energy Facility Lighting, Waiver Application, Case No. PU-21-375.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-423
Public Service Commission
Wagner Construction, Inc.
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission find the Formal Complaint filed by the North Dakota Public Service Commission Advocacy Staff on November 3, 2021, states a prima facie case, and serve the Complaint on the Respondent in Public Service Commission, Wagner Construction, Inc., Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-20-423.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-373
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Financial Incentive - Power Purchase
Agreement
Rates

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Hearing in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Financial Incentive – Power Purchase Agreement, Rates, Case No. PU-21-373.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Motion and second withdrawn with no objection.

Revised Motion

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Hearing upon finalization of a scheduled date in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Financial Incentive – Power Purchase Agreement, Rates, Case No. PU-21-373.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-381
Northern States Power Company
2021 Natural Gas Rate Increase
Application

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Public Input Sessions in Northern States Power Company, 2021 Natural Gas Rate Increase, Application, Case No. PU-21-381

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-416
Otter Tail Power Company
Meter Testing Rule Waiver
Approval

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, Meter Testing Rule Waiver, Approval, Case No. PU-21-416.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-438
Northern States Power Company
Customer Credit – DOE Settlement
2020
Application

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Northern States Power Company, Customer Credit – DOE Settlement 2020, Application, Case No. PU-21-438.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-443
Otter Tail Power Company
Fuel Cost Adjustment – Hoot Lake
Solar Project
Tariff

Mr. Kroshus: I move the Commission suspend the tariff changes and issue a Notice of Filing and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, Fuel Cost Adjustment – Hoot Lake Solar Project, Tariff, Case No. PU-21-443.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 12:02 P.M.



Executive Secretary



JULIE FEDORCHAK, CHAIR