

September 6, 2023

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on September 6, 2023, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart and Fedorchak.

Minutes

Mr. Christmann: I move the minutes of August 16, 2023, be approved.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-402
Northern States Power Company
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery
(2023)
Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,848.09 in Northern States Power Company, Transmission Facility Cost Recovery (2023), Rates, Case No. PU-22-402.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-410
Northern States Power Company
Advance Prudence - 150 MW PPA for
MinnDakota Wind
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$174,864.25 in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – 150 MW PPA for MinnDakota Wind, Application, Case No. PU-22-410.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-429
Otter Tail Power Company
2023 Renewable Resource Cost
Recovery Adj. Factor
Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,472.54 in Otter Tail Power Company, 2023 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adj. Factor, Rates, Case No. PU-22-429.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-235
Otter Tail Power Company
Scott Bauer - McHenry County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, Scott Bauer, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-235.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-236
Otter Tail Power Company
Lawrence Mattern - Pierce County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, Lawrence Mattern – Pierce County, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-236.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-249
Otter Tail Power Company
2022 Electric
Annual Report

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission close Otter Tail Power Company, 2022 Electric, Annual Report, Case No. PU-23-249.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-260
Otter Tail Power Company
Chris Paulson, Ramsey County
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, Chris Paulson, Ramsey County, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-260.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-264
Public Service Commission
Emerging Threats
Rulemaking

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission propose to adopt and amend the North Dakota Administrative Code as attached, issue a Notice of Intent to Amend Administrative Rules and Notice of Public Hearing, and issue an abbreviated Notice of Intent to Amend Administrative Rules and Notice of Public Hearing for publication in each official county newspaper throughout the state as required by law, in Public Service Commission, Pipeline Safety, Rulemaking, Case No. GS-23-289, and Public Service Commission, Emerging Threats, Rulemaking, Case No. PU-23-264.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-23-289
Public Service Commission
Pipeline Safety
Rulemaking

Case No. PU-22-416
Caliber Midstream Partners / Caliber
North Dakota
Transfer – Corridor #164 & Route #176
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,876.98 in Caliber Midstream Partners / Caliber North Dakota, Transfer – Corridor #164 & Route #176, Siting Application, Case No. PU-22-416.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-15
ONEOK Rockies Midstream, L.L.C.
Amend Certificate #203 and Route
Permit #213
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$59,658.06 in ONEOK Rockies Midstream, L.L.C., Amend Certificate #203 and Route Permit #213, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-15.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-77
Denbury Green Pipeline - North
Dakota, LLC
Transfer - Certificate #215 & Permit
#225
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,948.65 in Denbury Green Pipeline – North Dakota, LLC, Transfer - Certificate #215 and Permit #225, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-77.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-16
Public Service Commission
USF Use Certification 47 CFR 54.314
(2024)
Compliance

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Order Certifying use of Federal Universal Services support in Public Service Commission, USF Use Certification 47 CFR 54.314 (2023), Compliance, Case No. PU-23-16.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-291
Terracom Inc.
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Terracom Inc., Designated Eligible Carrier, Application, Case No. PU-23-291.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-228
Otter Tail Power Company
115kV Substation and Transmission
Line - Walsh&GF
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, 115kV Substation and Transmission Line – Walsh&GF, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-228.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-275
Otter Tail Power Company
Advanced Metering & Distribution
Technology (AMDT)
Tariff and Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the tariff and rates, reduce the application fee to \$10,000 and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, Advanced Metering & Distribution Technology (AMDT), Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-23-275.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-283
Otter Tail Power Company
AMDT Cost Recovery 2024
Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the rates and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, AMDT Cost Recovery 2024, Rates, Case No. PU-23-283.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-290
Otter Tail Power Company
Administrative Tariff Changes in Rate
Schedules
Tariff

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, Administrative Tariff Changes in Rate Schedules, Tariff, Case No. PU-23-290.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-287
Wildrose Pipeline Co. / Hawthorn Oil
Trans. (ND)
Transfer – Corridor #110 & Route #120
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission assess an application fee of \$10,000 and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Wildrose Pipeline Co. / Hawthorn Oil Trans. (ND), Transfer - Corridor #110 & Route #120, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-287.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-300
Dakota Natural Gas, LLC
Natural Gas Pipeline - Larimore &
Arvilla, ND
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Fedorchak: Believing that there will be no prejudice to the rights of the parties or the public interest, and finding the cases involve similar questions of law and fact, I move the Commission consolidate these cases for hearing under North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-04-04, issue a Notice of Opportunity for Consolidated Hearing in Dakota Natural Gas, LLC, Natural Gas Pipeline – Larimore & Arvilla, ND, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-300 and Dakota Natural Gas, LLC, Natural Gas Pipeline – Larimore & Arvilla, ND, Tariff, Case No. PU-23-301.

I further move the Commission assess an application fee of \$10,000 in Dakota Natural Gas, LLC, Natural Gas Pipeline – Larimore & Arvilla, ND, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-300.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-301
Dakota Natural Gas, LLC
Natural Gas Pipeline - Larimore &
Arvilla, ND
Tariff

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 10:49 A.M.


Executive Secretary


RANDY CHRISTMANN, CHAIR