

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, October 15, 2009, the following members were present:

Ken Toole, Chairman
Gail Gutsche, Commissioner
John Vincent, Commissioner, via telephone

Commissioner Jergeson was absent, but left his proxy with Commissioner Toole. Commissioner Molnar was absent.

APPEARANCE
Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(383) In the matter of N2009.9.131: On September 28, 2009, Ronan Telephone Company filed a proposed tariff for Digital Primary Rate Interface.

Commissioner Toole moved to APPROVE Ronan Telephone Company's request in Docket N2009.9.131. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Jergeson voted Aye by proxy. Commissioner Molnar was absent.

APPEARANCE
Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(384) In the matter of T-09.38.OTSC: On September 10, 2009, an Order to Show Cause was issued to James H. and Joan P. Michael d/b/a Airport Shuttle Service, Somers, Montana, PSC No. 3664, for failure to reactivate following twelve months of consecutive suspension.

Commissioner Toole moved to CANCEL PSC No. 3664 for failure to reactivate following twelve months of consecutive suspension. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Jergeson voted Aye by proxy. Commissioner Molnar was absent.

(385) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of October 5, 2009.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of October 5, 2009. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Jergeson voted Aye by proxy. Commissioner Molnar was absent.

APPEARANCE
Al Brogan, Legal Division

(386) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No. D2008.12.146: NorthWestern Energy's application for approval of avoided cost tariff for new qualifying facilities.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to GRANT Exergy and United Materials' Motion to Withdraw from Docket No. D2008.12.146. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Jergeson voted Aye by proxy. Commissioner Molnar was absent.

APPEARANCE

Dave Burchett, Utility Division

(387) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No. D2009.5.66: Energy West Montana conversion from propane to natural gas for Cascade, MT.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to ISSUE the default order and close Docket No. D2009.5.66. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Jergeson voted Aye by proxy. Commissioner Molnar was absent.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGESON, Chair

KEN TOOLE, Vice Chair

GAIL GUTSCHE, Commissioner

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Verna Stewart
Commission Secretary

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