

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, January 26, 2010, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chair
Gail Gutsche, Commissioner
Brad Molnar, Commissioner, via telephone
John Vincent, Commissioner, via telephone

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

APPEARANCE
Eric Eck, Utility Division

(33) In the matter of D2009.12.159: On December 21, 2009, Black Hills Power filed a Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider application.

Commissioner Molnar moved to GRANT Black Hills Power's Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider application. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE
Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(34) In the matter of TN2462: Carrie Anne Johnson d/b/a Amazing Taxi, Livingston, Montana requests permission to amend the name of her certificate to read Carrie Anne Pintar d/b/a Amazing Taxi, Livingston, Montana.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE the name change on PSC No. 9466 as requested. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(35) In the matter of TN2463: Dick Irvin, Inc., Shelby, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9392 to Irvin, Inc., and Mico, Inc., d/b/a I & T Transfer, Shelby, Montana for the period January 6, 2010 to January 6, 2011.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to APPROVE the continued lease of PSC No. 9392 as requested. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(36) In the matter of TN2464: Bayside Disposal, Inc., d/b/a Disposal Service of Montana, Lewistown, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9412 to the City of Cut Bank, a Municipal Entity, Cut Bank, Montana for the period January 18, 2010 to January 18, 2011.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to APPROVE the continued lease of PSC No. 9412 as requested. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(37) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of January 19, 2010.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of January 19, 2010. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jim Paine, Legal Division
Gary Duncan, Utility Division

(38) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of a Letter from the Fort Peck Tribes.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to direct staff to DRAFT and CIRCULATE a response letter describing the nature of PSC jurisdiction over telephone cooperatives and citing the FCC order and that the commission will need the information generated by the process before it can determine an opinion about the proposal of the Fort Peck Tribes' letter of January 5, 2010. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

GREG JERGSON, Chair

KEN TOOLE, Vice Chair

GAIL GUTSCHE, Commissioner

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Verna Stewart
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chair
Brad Molnar, Commissioner, via telephone
John Vincent, Commissioner, via telephone

Commissioner Gutsche and Commissioner Toole were absent, but left their proxies with Commissioner Jergeson.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Legal Division
Mike Lee, Utility Division

(39) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of response to a FCC rulemaking notice involving universal service fund reform comments drafted by the Maine Public Utilities Commission, Public Advocate, and Vermont Public Service Board.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE Montana participation in submitting comments to the FCC subject to necessary editing changes. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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