

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, March 30, 2010, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chair
Ken Toole, Vice Chair
Gail Gutsche, Commissioner
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
John Vincent, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Utility Division

(97) In the matter of N2010.3.35: On March 23, 2010 Bresnan Broadband of Montana LLC filed a letter with the Commission requesting a "Safety Valve" approval.

Commissioner Vincent moved to ISSUE a Safety Valve approval requiring Neustar to assign a new central office code to Bresnan Broadwater of Montana, LLC in the Deer Lodge, Montana rate center. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(98) In the matter of N2010.3.24: On March 10, 2010, Ronan requested to revise its tariff for Economy Broadband Service.

Commissioner Toole moved to APPROVE Ronan Telephone Company's request in Docket N2010.3.24. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(99) In the matter of N2010.3.26: On March 16, 2010, Qwest filed Tariff Transmittal 10-01.

Commissioner Toole moved to APPROVE Qwest's tariff transmittal 10-1 in Docket N2010.3.26. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(100) In the matter of T-10.2.PCN: On February 1, 2010 Eric Fruehstorfer d/b/a AAA Night Taxi, Lewistown, Montana filed an application to expand the authority held under PSC No. 9471 and remove the restricted hours of service.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to APPROVE the application to broaden PSC No. 9471. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(101) In the matter of T-10.3.ST: On February 25, 2010 Michael A. Murray II d/b/a Green Taxi, Missoula, Montana filed an application to transfer PSC No. 9465 to Green Taxi LLC, Missoula, Montana.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to APPROVE the transfer of PSC No. 9465. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(102) In the matter of T-10.4.OTSC: On March 11, 2010 an Order to Show Cause was issued to PSC No. 3265, Electric City Transfer and Storage, Inc., Great Falls, Montana for failure to purchase a 2010 vehicle registration receipt as required under 69-12-421 MCA.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to CANCEL PSC No. 3265 for failure to comply with 69-12-421 MCA. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(103) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of March 22, 2010.

Commissioner Toole moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of March 22, 2010. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jim Paine, Legal Division

(104) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No. N2010.3.23: Avista Corporation request for a protective order to prevent disclosure of the Schedule 16/Annual Electric Report, top ten Montana salaries.

Commissioner Toole moved to GRANT Avista Corporation's request for protective order in Docket No. N2010.3.23. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(105) In the matter of the Commission's discussion to act on request by Ann Purcell to carry forward 20 hours of excess vacation time to be used in April 2010.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE Ann Purcell's request to carry 20 hours of excess vacation time forward. Commissioner Gutsche 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, March 31, 2010, the following members were present:

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

APPEARANCE
Al Brogan, Legal Division

(106) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2010.2.18: Kenfield Wind Park I, LLC and KWP-LC7, LLC petition to set terms and conditions for qualifying small power production facility pursuant to §69-3-603, MCA.

Commissioner Toole moved to DENY NorthWestern Energy's Motion to Compel Response to Data Request NWE-008(e). Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(107) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2009.9.129 & D2007.7.82: NorthWestern Energy's application for authority to establish increased natural gas and electric delivery service rates and implement allocated cost of service and rate design proposals. NorthWestern Energy's motion for Protective Order covering portions of the report entitled "Mountain States Transmission Intertie, Regional Economic Evaluation."

MOTION 1: Commissioner Toole moved to GRANT motion for protective order as requested except with respect to projected project costs. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 1. Commissioner Molnar voted no.

MOTION 2: Commissioner Toole moved to SUSPEND the procedural schedule in this docket and delegate to staff to restart the scheduled when data responses are answered. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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