

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman  
Doug Mood, Vice Chairman  
Brad Molnar, Commissioner  
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner  
Ken Toole, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Utility Division

(163) In the matter of N2008.4.40-Qwest Corporation. On April 21, 2008 Qwest Corporation filed for Commission approval a Multi-State Agreement between Qwest and Green Tree Servicing, LLC.

Commissioner Toole moved to approve the Qwest Corporation/Green Tree Servicing, LLC MSA in Docket No. N2008.4.40. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Leroy Beeby, Utility Division

(164) In the matter of D2007.7.79-Montana Dakota Utilities. On April 28, 2008, Montana Dakota Utilities submitted compliance tariffs as a result of the issuance of Order No. 6846f.

Commissioner Raney moved to defer the initial filing of Section 2b and 3a-d of Rate 58 relative to the minimum filing requirements and the unreflected fuel cost adjustment until the July 1, 2009 fuel cost tracker as described in the compliance tariffs in Docket D2007.7.79. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator  
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(165) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of May 5, 2008;

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of May 5, 2008. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Utility Division

(166) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2008.3.19-Qwest Corporation and Syniverse Technologies, Inc. Interconnection Agreement;

Commissioner Toole moved to approve the Qwest Corporation and Syniverse Technologies, Inc. Interconnection Agreement in D2008.3.19. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Al Brogan, Legal Division

(167) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2008.4.36-In the matter of an Investigation of NorthWestern Corporation's Compliance with Order 6505e;

Commissioner Toole moved that the Commission grant Montana Consumer Counsel's motion in part and require NorthWestern to file with the Commission and serve on the parties a document that NorthWestern would refrain from making a sale or transfer in Colstrip Unit 4 for the pendency of the proceedings in this docket and make the filing by May 22 of this year in Docket D2008.4.36. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Leroy Beeby, Utility Division

Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(168) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2007.7.86-Cut Bank Gas Overcollection;

Commissioner Raney moved to direct staff to set a procedural schedule and set a date for a hearing in Docket D2007.7.86. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Dave Burchett, Utility Division

Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(169) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2007.6.63-Energy West Montana Natural Gas Annual Tracker True-up;

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve the issuance of the final order as drafted in D2007.6.63. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(170) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2006.1.2, D2004.7.99, D2004.12.192, D2005.6.106-Montana Dakota Utilities and NorthWestern Energy;

Commissioner Raney moved to direct staff to request briefs from the parties and interested persons to the MDU and NorthWestern Energy USB dockets with the clarification that this action does not consolidate these dockets. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

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GREG JERGESON, Chairman

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DOUG MOOD, Vice Chairman

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BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

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ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

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KEN TOOLE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones  
Commission Secretary

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