

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 29, 2010, the following members were present:

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

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(202) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of June 21, 2010.

Commissioner Gutsche moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of June 21, 2010. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(203) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No. D2010.5.50: NorthWestern Energy electric default supply tracker.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE Order No. 7093 subject to minor editing changes that may be found necessary in Docket No. D2010.5.50. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed 4-1. Commissioner Molnar voted no.

(204) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No.D2010.6.66: Montana Dakota Utilities purchase power cost tracking adjustment rate 58, interim order.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to APPROVE interim order subject to editing changes as indicated and other changes found to be necessary in the issuance of Order No. 7094 in Docket No. D2010.6.66. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel and Leroy Beeby, Utility Division
Al Brogan, Legal Division

(205) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No.D2009.9.129: NorthWestern Energy Interim rate request.

MOTION 1: Commissioner Molnar moved to segregate paragraph 20, page 3, from final motion in Docket No. D2009.9.129. Motion failed for a lack of a second.

MOTION 2: Commissioner Vincent moved to DENY NorthWestern Energy's request for an interim order in Docket No. D2009.9.129. Motion failed for a lack of a second.

MOTION 3: Commissioner Jergeson moved to APPROVE NorthWestern Energy's request for an interim order with editing changes as indicated by staff in Docket No. D2009.9.129. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which failed 3-2. Commissioner Gutsche, Commissioner Vincent and Commissioner Molnar voted no.

APPEARANCE

Leroy Beeby, Utility Division

(206) In the matter of the Commission's discussion in Docket No. D2010.5.49: NorthWestern Energy, annual gas tracker, interim order.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE Interim Order No. 7089 subject to minor non-substantive text changes if necessary in Docket No. D2010.5.49. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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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