

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 11, 2012, the following members were present:

Travis Kavulla, Chairman
Gail Gutsche, Vice Chair
Bill Gallagher, Commissioner
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
John Vincent, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Aleisha Solem, Commission Secretary

(284) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of October 1, 2012.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of October 1, 2012. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Nickie Eck, Transportation Unit

(285) In the matter of Docket No. TN2551: Thomas F. Kenneally's request to continue lease of PSC No. 4448.

Commissioner Vincent moved to APPROVE the continued lease of PSC No. 4448. Commissioner Gutsche seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Mike Dalton, Regulatory Division
Brenda Elias, Legal Division

(286) In the matter of Docket No. D2012.7.79: McCone Electric Co-op, Inc. and Sheridan Electric Cooperative's boundary agreement.

Chairman Kavulla moved to ISSUE a Notice of Commission Action approving the requested boundary agreement between McCone Electric Co-op, Inc. and Sheridan Electric Cooperative. Commissioner Gallagher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Mike Dalton, Regulatory Division
Brenda Elias, Legal Division

(287) In the matter of Docket No. D2012.7.80: McCone Electric Co-op, Inc. and Lower Yellowstone REA, Inc.'s boundary agreement.

Chairman Kavulla moved to ISSUE a Notice of Commission Action approving the requested boundary agreement between McCone Electric Co-op, Inc. and Lower Yellowstone REA, Inc. Commissioner Gallagher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Neil Templeton, Regulatory Division
Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(288) In the matter of Docket No. D2012.8.84: Black Hills Power, Inc.'s application for approval of contract rates with Butte pipeline.

Commissioner Molnar moved to APPROVE the contract rates. Chairman Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Neil Templeton, Regulatory Division
Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(289) In the matter of Docket No. D2012.8.85: Black Hills Power Inc.'s application for approval of contract rates with Denbury Onshore, LLC.

Commissioner Molnar moved to APPROVE the contract rates. Chairman Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan, Regulatory Division
Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(290) In the matter of Docket No. D2010.5.55: CenturyLink's application for approval of indirect transfer of control.

Commissioner Gallagher moved to GRANT the motion for protective order. Chairman Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Leroy Beeby, Regulatory Division
Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(291) In the matter of Docket No. D2009.12.156: Aquanet's application for approval of initial rates and charges.

Commissioner Molnar moved to POSTPONE the work session until the October 25th business meeting. Chairman Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

TRAVIS KAVULLA, Chairman

GAIL GUTSCHE, Vice Chair

W. A. GALLAGHER, Commissioner

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Aleisha Solem
Commission Secretary

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