

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on August 8, 2017 the following members were present:

Brad Johnson, Chairman
Travis Kavulla, Vice Chairman (via phone)
Roger Koopman, Commissioner (via phone)
Bob Lake, Commissioner
Tony O'Donnell, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Mandi Hinman, Acting Commission Secretary

(144) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of July 31, 2017.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of July 31, 2017. Chairman Johnson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Joel Tierney, Pipeline Safety

(145) In the matter of N2017.3.20, DNE Sales, LLC's Application for a Natural Gas Supplier License in the State of Montana.

Commissioner O'Donnell moved to APPROVE staff's recommendation to grant DNE Sales, LLC's application. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel, Regulatory Division

(146) In the matter of D2017.7.59, Montana-Dakota Utilities' Application for Authority to Issue up to \$250,000,000 of Promissory Notes and/or Commercial Paper.

Commissioner O'Donnell moved to APPROVE staff's recommendation for authorization. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Zack Rogala, Legal Division

(147) In the matter of T-19.9.COC, Lyft, Inc.'s Application for a Certificate of Compliance.

Chairman Johnson move to DENY protestant Pintar's motion for rehearing. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Legal Division Administrator

(148) In the matter of D2017.1.5, TML Construction's request for water and sewer standard rates for Fox Hill Estates.

Commissioner Koopman moved to APPROVE authorization to extend the deadline for decision. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Zack Rogala, Legal Division
Robin Arnold, Regulatory Division

(149) In the matter of D2017.3.25, NorthWestern Energy's 2017 Natural Gas Universal System Benefits Program Tracker

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE staff's recommendation to increase NWE's USB rate to allow recovery of revenues of \$4,683,769 from May 1, 2017, through April 30, 2018. Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion, which passed 4-1 with Commissioner Koopman dissenting.

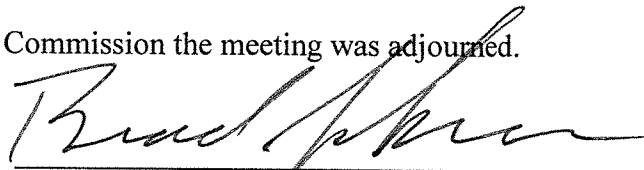
APPEARANCE

Will Rosquist, Regulatory Division Administrator

(150) In the matter of D2017.6.49, the Public Service Commission's establishment of minimum information requirements for NorthWestern Energy's study of the costs and benefits of customer generators pursuant to HB 219.

Vice Chairman Kavulla moved to APPROVE staff's recommendation to include a rate payer impact measurement test and include reduced revenue as a cost category for the minimum information requirements. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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



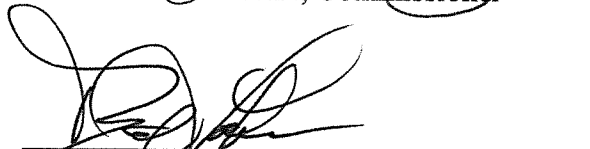
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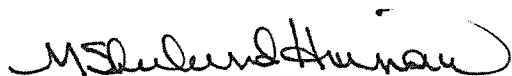


BOB LAKE, Commissioner



TONY O'DONNELL, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Mandi Hinman
Acting Commission Secretary

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