

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on July 7, 2014, the following members were present:

Bill Gallagher, Chairman
Bob Lake, Vice Chairman
Kirk Bushman, Commissioner
Travis Kavulla, Commissioner
Roger Koopman, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Aleisha Solem, Commission Secretary

(182) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of June 30, 2014.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of June 30, 2014. Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Nickie Eck, Transportation Unit

(183) In the matter of T-14.3.PCN: Big Bear Transit LLC's request to withdraw the application and close the docket.

Chairman Gallagher moved to WITHDRAW the application and CLOSE the docket as requested. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Nickie Eck, Transportation Unit

(184) In the matter of T-14.7.PCN: UG, Inc. d/b/a Capitol Taxi's application to remove a limitation from PSC No. 2111.

Chairman Gallagher moved to REMOVE the limitation. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Brenda Koch, Transportation Unit

(185) In the matter of TN2614: Dave Michael as personal representative for the James E. Michael estate, Flathead Area Custom Transportation, Inc. d/b/a Kalispell Taxi and Airport Shuttle Service's request to lease PSC No. 56 and 9364 to Kenneth John Landert Jr. d/b/a Kountry Transportation.

Chairman Gallagher moved to APPROVE the lease of PSCN No. 56 and 9364. Commissioner

Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jason Brown, Legal Division
Will Rosquist, Regulatory Division

(186) In the matter of D2014.4.43: NorthWestern Energy's petition to set contract terms and conditions for Greenfield Wind, LLC.

Main Motion: Commissioner Kavulla moved to OVERRULE GW-020 a & b, GW-021 a & b. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion.

Chairman Gallagher moved to divide the question.

The main motion to OVERRULE GW-020 a & b failed 1-4. Commissioner Gallagher, Lake, Bushman, and Koopman dissenting.

Commissioner Lake moved to SUSTAIN GW-020 a & b. Chairman Gallagher seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 1. Commissioner Kavulla dissenting.

Chairman Gallagher moved to GRANT the Motion to Compel with respect to GW-021 a & b, with NorthWestern Energy's study due 30 days before the hearing date. Commissioner Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chairman Gallagher moved to SUSTAIN IN PART and OVERRULE IN PART GW-028a. Commissioner Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Lake moved to OVERRULE GW-028b. Commissioner Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 1. Chairman Gallagher dissenting.

Commissioner Lake moved to SUSTAIN GW-028c. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed 3-2. Commissioners Gallagher and Kavulla dissenting.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Administrator, Legal Division
Jason Brown, Legal Division
Will Rosquist, Regulatory Division
Neil Templeton, Regulatory Division

(187) In the matter of D2013.12.85: NorthWestern Energy's application to purchase and operate PPL Montana's hydroelectric facilities.

Commissioner Kavulla moved to OVERRULE the objection to PSC-003b, 066, 090a, and 092 a & b and SUSTAIN WITHOUT PREJUDICE PSC-003 c & d, 087 a-d, 092d, 093 a-c, 104, 105, and 106. Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Administrator, Legal Division

(188) In the matter of the application of Gregory Adams to appear Pro Hac Vice before the Commission.

Commissioner Kavulla moved to GRANT the application. Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

W. A. GALLAGHER, Chairman

BOB LAKE, Vice Chairman

KIRK BUSHMAN, Commissioner

TRAVIS KAVULLA, Commissioner

ROGER KOOPMAN, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Aleisha Solem
Commission Secretary

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