

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on March 22, 2016 the following members were present:

Travis Kavulla, Vice Chairman  
Roger Koopman, Commissioner  
Bob Lake, Commissioner

Commissioner Johnson was excused from the meeting. Commissioner Bushman was excused from the meeting and left his proxy with Commissioner Lake.

APPEARANCE

Aleisha Solem, Commission Secretary

(49) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of March 7, 2016.

Commissioner Koopman moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of March 7, 2016. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Will Rosquist, Administrator, Regulatory Division

(50) In the matter of out of state staff travel.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the out of state staff travel of Dave Jackson to attend the Region 8 Inspectors' Conference in Spokane, WA, March 28-April 1, 2016. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Administrator, Legal Division

(51) In the matter of out of state staff travel.

Commissioner Koopman moved to APPROVE the out of state staff travel of Tina Shorten to attend the National Energy and Utility Affordability Coalition conference in Denver, CO June 5-9, 2016. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Brenda Koch, Transportation Unit

(52) In the matter of TN2653: Dennis F. Orr. Sr. d/b/a South Lake Taxi's request to continue the lease of PSC No. 9479 to Sierra L. Kneeland d/b/a South Lake Taxi II, LLC.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the lease of PSC No. 9479. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Administrator, Legal Division

(53) In the matter of administrative rulemaking.

Commissioner Koopman moved to DIRECT staff to initiate a rulemaking to amend and update procedural rules on Commission Orders and the reconsideration process. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

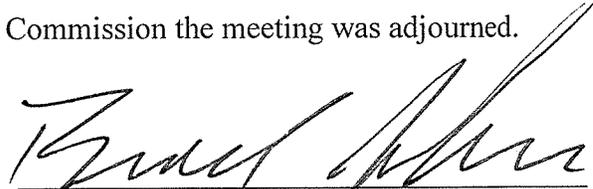
Justin Kraske, Administrator, Legal Division

Joel Tierney, Regulatory Division

(54) In the matter of D2016.1.12: Notice of violation of Five Valleys Gas Co. involving a pipeline safety incident.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the settlement agreement. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

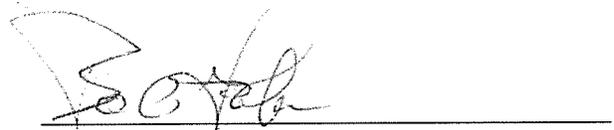
There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

  
BRAD JOHNSON, Chairman

  
TRAVIS KAVULLA, Vice Chairman

  
KIRK BUSHMAN, Commissioner

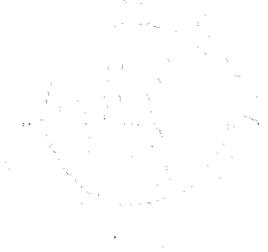
  
ROGER KOOPMAN, Commissioner

  
BOB LAKE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Aleisha Solem  
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)



At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on March 25, 2016 the following members were present:

Brad Johnson, Chairman  
Travis Kavulla, Vice Chairman  
Kirk Bushman, Commissioner via phone  
Roger Koopman, Commissioner  
Bob Lake, Commissioner via phone

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Administrator, Legal Division

(55) In the matter of D2014.7.58: NorthWestern Energy's application for approval of 2014-15 electricity supply cost rate adjustments, deferred cost account balances, and projected supply cost rates.

Discussion only, no action taken.

APPEARANCE

Laura Farkas and Jeremiah Langston, Legal Division

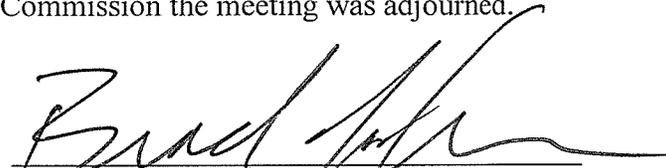
(56) In the matter of D2016.2.15: The investigation of the MPSC into whether Mountain Water Company's rates are just and reasonable.

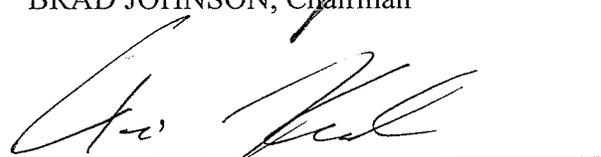
Commissioner Lake moved to GRANT the motion for reconsideration and modify the procedural schedule to include discover. Commissioner Kavulla seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MAIN MOTION: Commissioner Lake moved to GRANT the motion for continuance. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion.

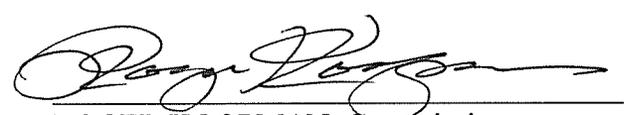
SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Commissioner Kavulla moved to MOVE the hearing to April 29-30, 2016. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed 3 to 2. Commissioners Lake and Bushman dissenting.

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

  
BRAD JOHNSON, Chairman

  
TRAVIS KAVULLA, Vice Chairman

  
KIRK BUSHMAN, Commissioner

  
ROGER KOOPMAN, Commissioner

  
BOB LAKE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Aleisha Solem  
Commission Secretary

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