

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on May 17, 2016 the following members were present:

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

Commissioner Kavulla was excused and left his proxy with Chairman Johnson.

Public comment was made by Dick Schottlaender in regard to Docket No. D2013.12.85.

APPEARANCE

Aleisha Solem, Commission Secretary

(83) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of May 10, 2016.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the Commission Minutes for the week of May 10, 2016. Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Joel Tierney, Regulatory Division

(84) In the matter of N2016.1.2: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s request to discontinue Rate 53 in their tariff.

Commissioner Bushman moved to APPROVE the discontinuation of Rate 53. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jeremiah Langston, Legal Division
Robin Arnold, Regulatory Division

(85) In the matter of D2016.3.27: NorthWestern Energy's application for approval of the 2016 natural gas universal system benefits charge rate adjustment.

Commissioner Lake moved to APPROVE the requested rates on an interim basis. Commissioner Bushman seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 1. Commissioner Koopman dissenting.

APPEARANCE

Laura Farkas, Legal Division
Robin Arnold, Regulatory Division

(86) In the matter of D2016.3.30: Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s application for approval of MDU's 2016 conservation tracking adjustment Rate 90.

Commissioner Bushman moved to APPROVE the requested rates on an interim basis. Commissioner Lake seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

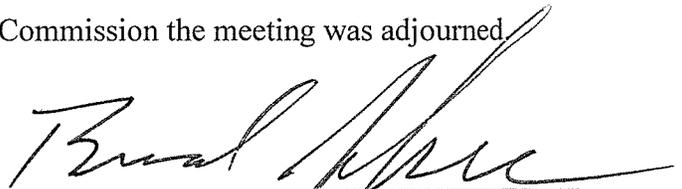
APPEARANCE

Mandi Hinman, Administrator, Centralized Services Division

(87) In the matter of Executive Planning Process items.

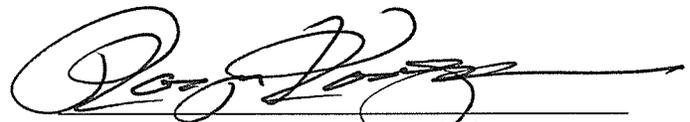
Chairman Johnson moved to AUTHORIZE staff to submit the requested items. Commissioner Koopman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

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