March 5, 2004

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota on March 5, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Clark, Wefald, and Cramer.

Case No. RR-439-03-271
Public Service Commission
Rail Rates on Grain
Investigation

Mr. Clark: I move that the Commission enter into a contract with Thompson Hine LLP and McCarthy, Sweeney & Harkaway, P.C. for \$53,015.40 for consulting and legal services associated with the rail rate investigation authorized by the 2003 Legislature; Case No. RR-439-03-271.

Mr. Cramer: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

| ATTEST: | THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 10: P.M. |
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| Executive Secretary | TONY T. CLARK, PRESIDENT |