

October 14, 2015

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on October 14, 2015, 10:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Kalk.

Minutes

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the minutes of September 30, October 1, 2015 be approved.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-15-685

Tony Rodin

Auctioneer

License Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission approve the auctioneer license application for Tony Rodin of Marion, North Dakota.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. AU-15-686

Associated Auction Services LLC

dba Cat Auction Services

Auction Clerk License

Cancellation

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an order in Case No. AU-15-686 cancelling auction clerk license number 659 issued to Associated Auction Services LLC dba Cat Auction Services, Eagan, Minnesota.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-15-232

NST Express, LLC

12-inch Crude Oil Pipeline –

McKenzie County

Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in NST Express, LLC, 12-inch Crude Oil Pipeline – McKenzie County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-15-232.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-15-670

Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC

12-inch Crude Oil Pipeline –

Mountrail County

Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission deem complete the applications for certificate of corridor compatibility and a route permit, and further move the Commission issue a Notice of Filings and Public Hearing in Sacagawea Pipeline Company, LLC, 12-inch Crude Oil Pipeline – Mountrail County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-15-670.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-15-424
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Revision No. 30 for Permit KRSB-8802
Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Revision No. 30 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. KRSB-8802, held by Dakota Westmoreland Corporation for the Beulah Mine, to update the business entity, compliance and property ownership information and operations and reclamation plans for the next five-year permit term.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-15-425
Dakota Westmoreland Corporation
Renewal No. 5 for Permit KRSB-8802
Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Renewal No. 5 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. KRSB-8802, held by Dakota Westmoreland Corporation for the Beulah Mine, to extend the permit term another five years, until October 23, 2020.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-15-515
Leonardite Products LLC
Revision No. 7 to Permit GRGR-0501
Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Revision No. 7 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. GRGR-0501, held by Leonardite Products, LLC, to identify the next five-year leonardite removal subarea and to update the legal, environmental resources, operation, and reclamation permit sections for the next five-year permit term.

I also move the approval of Collateral Bond LC-GRGR-0501-03 to increase the bond amount for this permit area.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-15-516
Leonardite Products LLC
Renewal No. 2 for Permit GRGR-0501
Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve Renewal No. 2 to Surface Coal Mining Permit No. GRGR-0501, held by Leonardite Products, LLC, to extend the permit term for another five years until November 2, 2020.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-15-605
BNI Coal, Ltd.
Notice of Violation No. 1503
Violation

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt an order in Case No. RC-15-605, Notice of Violation No. 1503 issued to BNI Coal, Ltd. at the Center Mine, to affirm the violation, assess a civil penalty, and close the case upon payment of the penalty.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-15-683
Northern States Power Company
Renewable Energy Rider (2016)
Rates

Mr. Kalk: I move the commission assess a filing fee of \$10,000, suspend the tariff filing and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Northern States Power Company's Renewable Energy Rider, Case No. PU-15-683.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-15-666
2016 One-Call Grant
Grants and Contracts

Mr. Kalk: I move the Commission acknowledge the October 1, 2015 electronic submittal of the 2016 Pipeline Safety One Call Grant Application in the amount of \$10,000 to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Washington, D.C. for the development and conduct of a damage prevention awareness campaign, Public Service Commission, 2016 One-Call Grant, Application, Case No. GS-15-666.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-15-674
NuStar Pipeline Operating Partnership,
L.P.
8-inch Refined Products Pipeline -
Cass County
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission retain Zachary Pelham to provide legal services to assist the Commission in processing NuStar Pipeline Operating Partnership, L.P., 8-inch Refined Products Pipeline, Cass County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-15-674.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Retirement - Grain Elevator Inspector

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission acknowledge the retirement of Tim Erdmann effective December 31, 2015.

Mr. Kalk: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:44 A.M.


Executive Secretary


Julie Fedorchak, Chairman