

February 2, 2022

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on February 2, 2022, 10:02 a.m. Present were Commissioners Fedorchak and Christmann.

Minutes

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the minutes of January 18 and 26, 2022, be approved.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-18-277  
Hiland Partners Holdings LLC  
Roosevelt Gas Plant Expansion Project  
- McKenzie  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: Since no trees or shrubs were removed during construction, I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$55,373.46 in Hiland Partners Holdings LLC, Roosevelt Gas Plant Expansion Project, McKenzie, Siting Application, Case No. PU-18-277.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-18-404  
Belle Fourche Pipeline Company  
8-inch Wilson-Bowline Pipeline  
Conversion Project  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$12,000 in Belle Fourche Pipeline Company, 8-Inch Wilson-Bowline Pipeline Conversion Project, Siting Application, Case No. PU-18-404.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-151  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
230 kV Transmission Line - Morton  
County  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission approve the removal of frozen topsoil using the method and terms specified by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.'s January 18, 2022 filing in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., 230 kV Transmission Line - Morton County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-21-151.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. RC-21-329  
Public Service Commission  
Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation  
Operations  
Rulemaking

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order Submitting Rules to Attorney General for an opinion as to legality in Public Service Commission, Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Operations, Rulemaking, PSC Case No. RC-21-329.

Section 69-05.2-01-02 Definitions

Section 69-05.2-12-04 Performance bond - Collateral bond

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-451  
Public Service Commission  
Mayville Outages  
Investigation

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission close Public Service Commission, Mayville Outages, Investigation, Case No. PU-21-451.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-16-539  
Glacier Ridge Wind Farm, LLC  
Glacier Ridge Wind Farm Project -  
Barnes County  
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order on Certificate of Site Compatibility in Glacier Ridge Wind Farm, LLC, Glacier Ridge Wind Farm Project – Barnes County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-16-539.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-418  
Public Service Commission  
Chaznline Construction, Inc.  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission find the Formal Complaint filed by the North Dakota Public Service Commission Advocacy Staff on January 5, 2022, states a prima facie case, and serve the Complaint on the Respondent in Public Service Commission, Chaznline Construction, Inc., Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-21-418.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-435  
Public Service Commission  
McLaughlin Construction Co.  
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order on Consent Agreement in Public Service Commission, McLaughlin Construction Co., Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. PU-21-435.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-20-425  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Prudence - Four Repowered  
Wind Projects  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence - Four Repowered Wind Projects, Application, Case No. PU-20-425 and in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – 120MW Northern Wind Facility, Application, Case No. PU-21-93.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-93  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Prudence - 120MW Northern  
Wind Facility  
Application

Case No. PU-22-19  
Otter Tail Power Company  
2022 Renewable Resource Cost  
Recovery Adj. Factor  
Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission suspend the rates and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, 2022 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adj. Factor, Rates, Case No. PU-22-19.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-27  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Purchased Assets of Ashtabula Wind  
III, LLC  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission assess an application fee of \$10,000 and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, Purchased Assets of Ashtabula III, LLC, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-22-27.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:22 A.M.

  
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Executive Secretary

  
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JULIE FEDORCHAK, CHAIR