

August 14, 2024

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on August 14, 2024, 10:01 a.m. Present were Commissioners Christmann, Haugen-Hoffart and Fedorchak.

Minutes

Mr. Christmann: I move the minutes of July 23, 2024, be approved.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-84  
DISH Wireless L.L.C.  
Designated Eligible Carrier  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission bill DISH Wireless L.L.C. \$451.09 for costs incurred to date in DISH Wireless L.L.C., Designated Eligible Carrier, Application, Case No. PU-23-84.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-278  
Boomerang Wireless, LLC  
Designated Eligible Carrier - Partial  
Relinquish  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission bill Boomerang Wireless, LLC \$600.26 for costs incurred to date in Boomerang Wireless, LLC, Designated Eligible Carrier – Partial Relinquish, Application, Case No. PU-23-278.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-291  
Terracom Inc.  
Designated Eligible Carrier  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission bill Terracom Inc. \$460.09 for costs incurred to date in Terracom Inc., Designated Eligible Carrier, Application, Case No. PU-23-291.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-365  
IM Telecom, LLC  
Designated Eligible Carrier  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission bill IM Telecom, LLC \$434.47 for costs incurred to date in IM Telecom, LLC, Designated Eligible Carrier, Application, Case No. PU-23-365.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-152  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Prudence - 460MW Solar-  
Sherburne Cnty. MN  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$49,136.67 in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – 460MW Solar – Sherburne Cnty, MN, Application, Case No. PU-21-152.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-64  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Prudence - Monticello  
Nuclear Extension  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$112,018.64 in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – Monticello Nuclear Extension, Application, Case No. PU-23-64.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-142  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Prudence - 345kV  
Transmission Line - MN  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$143,210.00 in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – 345kV Transmission Line – MN, Application, Case No. PU-23-142.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-182  
Northern States Power Company  
Advance Prudence - Sherco Solar 3  
Project  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$151,061.75 in Northern States Power Company, Advance Prudence – Sherco Solar 3 Project, Application, Case No. PU-23-182.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-228  
Otter Tail Power Company  
115kV Substation and Transmission  
Line - Walsh&GF  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,408.36 in Otter Tail Power Company, 115kV Substation and Transmission Line – Walsh&GF, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-228.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-261  
Northern States Power Company  
2022 Power Purchase Agreement  
Costs  
Compliance

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,868.64 in Northern States Power Company, 2022 Power Purchase Agreement Costs, Compliance, Case No. PU-23-261.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-275  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Advanced Metering & Distribution  
Technology (AMDT)  
Tariff and Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$10,000 in Otter Tail Power Company, Advanced Metering & Distribution Technology (AMDT), Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-23-275.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-322  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Electric Service Agreement - Applied  
Digital  
Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Electric Service Agreement - Applied Digital, Approval, Case No. PU-23-322.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-175  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Natural Gas Distribution Facilities -  
Burke County  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,961.60 in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Natural Gas Distribution Facilities – Burke County, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-23-175.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-176  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Amend - Luverne Wind Upgrade  
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$24,939.52 in Otter Tail Power Company, Amend – Luverne Wind Upgrade, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-176.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-252  
Otter Tail Power Company  
Ashtabula I Wind Upgrade Project -  
Barnes Cnty  
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$24,869.08 in Otter Tail Power Company, Ashtabula I Wind Upgrade Project – Barnes Cnty, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-252.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-255  
Tesoro Great Plains Gathering &  
Marketing LLC  
2.4-mile Renewable Diesel Pipeline -  
Stark County  
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$19,780.13 in Tesoro Great Plains Gathering & Marketing LLC, 2.4-mile Renewable Diesel Pipeline – Stark County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-255.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-287  
Wildrose Pipeline Co. / Hawthorn Oil  
Trans. (ND)  
Transfer – Corridor #110 & Route #120  
Siting Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue a siting application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,946.06 in Wildrose Pipeline Co. / Hawthorn Oil Trans. (ND), Transfer – Corridor #110 & Route #120, Siting Application, Case No. PU-23-287.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-23-294  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Rate Schedule - Kindred Expansion  
Surcharge  
Tariff and Rates

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission issue an application fee final refund in the amount of \$9,722.74 in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Rate Schedule – Kindred Expansion Surcharge, Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-23-294.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-24-178  
Northern States Power Company  
2023 Gas  
Annual Report

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission close the Northern States Power Company, 2023 Gas, Annual Report, Case No. PU-24-178

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-24-219  
Grayson Mill Operating, LLC  
8-inch Crude Oil Pipeline-Williams &  
McKenzie Cty  
Siting Temporary Approval

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission grant an extension to the filing deadline of a full siting application from August 1, 2024, to August 16, 2024, in Grayson Mill Operating, LLC, 8-inch Crude Oil Pipeline-Williams & McKenzie Cty, Siting Temporary Approval, Case No. PU-24-219.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-24-22  
Assurance Wireless USA, L.P.  
Designated Eligible Carrier  
Application

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission adopt the Order on Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designation in Assurance Wireless USA, L.P., Designated Eligible Carrier, Application, Case No. PU-24-22.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.  
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-24-91  
Otter Tail Power Company/Montana-  
Dakota Utilities  
345kV Transmission Line-Jamestown  
to Ellendale  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company/Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., 345kV Transmission Line-Jamestown to Ellendale, Public Convenience and Necessity, Case No. PU-24-91.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.  
After discussion, the Commission unanimously agreed to withdraw the motion. No action taken.

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Case No. PU-24-297  
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.  
Transmission Facility Cost Recovery  
Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the rates and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Transmission Facility Cost Recovery, Rates, Case No. PU-24-297.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

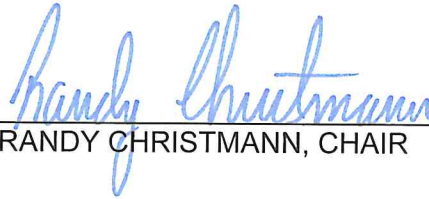
Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:22 A.M.



Executive Secretary



RANDY CHRISTMANN, CHAIR