

Chairman Gerald Vap called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. Chairman Vap invited the public to address the Commission and announced that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room. No announcements were made.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Notice was duly published April 21, 2015 on Page 5 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held April 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

#### COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter orders granting applications E-2393 and E-2394. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

E-2393 In the Matter of the Application of Lincoln Electric System, Lincoln, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain electric transmission lines in Lancaster County:

E-2394 In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain electric transmission lines in Gosper and Dawson Counties:

Gene Hand informed the Commission that Neil Krevda will be here from Verizon Wireless on May 13, 2015, to meet the Commission.

#### TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

911-019/  
PI-118 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006] and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless enhanced 911 service: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order authorizing payments. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

911-060.02 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to investigate and determine whether additional funds from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund should be made available to public safety answering points for costs to implement text to 911 solutions: Dodge County 911: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NUSF-32.14 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to conduct an inquiry into the failure by certain telecommunications companies to comply with Commission Rules or Orders and to impose administrative fines. Commissioner Tim Schram presiding as Hearing Officer: A Hearing Officer order was entered on April 28, 2015 continuing the hearing previously scheduled for May 5, 2015 to June 16, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter orders dismissing the complaints in Dockets NUSF-37.318 through NUSF-37.320. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NUSF-37. 318 In the Matter of Sue Vanicek, Director of the Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. TDS Metrocom, Respondent(s).

NUSF-37. 319 In the Matter of Sue Vanicek, Director of the Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. BYO Wireless, LLC, Respondent(s):

NUSF-37. 320 In the Matter of Sue Vanicek, Director of the Nebraska Telecommunications Infrastructure and Public Safety Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Bandwidth.com, Inc., Respondent(s).

Sue Vanicek seeks approval to appoint Ann Prockish of CenturyLink to the vacant position of telecommunications carrier representative on the NUSF Advisory Board: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to approve Ann Prockish to fill the telecommunications representative position on the NUSF Advisory Board. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

## NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0074.1 In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Omaha, seeking approval of an infrastructure system replacement cost recovery charge, pursuant to Sections 66-1865 and 66-1866 of the State Natural Gas Regulation Act. Commissioner Tim Schram presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting intervention. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NG-0013 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, to evaluate and establish, on a quarterly basis, an assessment for jurisdictional utilities pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act [LB 790, 2003]. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Progression Order 47. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter Assessment Orders BE-0013, BE-0014, and CA-008 in Docket NG-0078. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NG-0078 In the Matter of the Application of SourceGas Distribution LLC, Golden, Colorado, seeking an order authorizing it to put into effect a system safety and integrity rider tariff and a system safety and integrity rider charge. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer.

## LEGISLATIVE

Angela Melton discussed pending legislation.

## TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1561 In the Matter of Extreme Limousine dba A Limousine Service, Supp. 1 Omaha, seeking to operate as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by bus in special party and charter service between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: No: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

## TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

B-1733 In the Matter of Papio Transport Services, Inc., Papillion, Supp. 1 seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers and their baggage between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties, and between points in said counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHE Designation: Yes: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an order granting the application as modified. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

FC-1363 In the Matter of Aventine Renewable Energy-Aurora West, LLC, Complainant, vs. Aurora Cooperative Elevator Company, Respondent. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer: Upon agreement of all Commissioners, a hearing was scheduled for August 26, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

Rate Division

MR-930 In the Matter of Movers and Warehouse Division, Nebraska Motor Carriers Association, Lincoln, seeking authority to establish fuel surcharge in Nebraska Official Goods Tariff 7F and Tariff 22: The Tariff 7F fuel surcharge was increased to \$.64 per mile, and the Tariff 22 to \$2.96 per truck per trip.

## HOUSING AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEPARTMENT

Mark Luttich updated the Commission on the financial status of the department.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Central Services-Network Charges	\$	3,497.20
Luster-Cal		4,850.00
Parrish, Blessing & Associates, Inc.		6,000.00
Crystal Rhoades		957.45

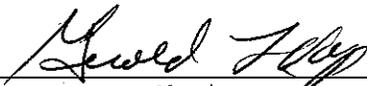
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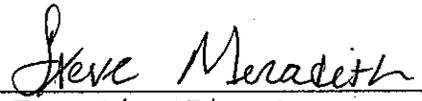
Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to cancel the Commission meeting previously scheduled for June 9, 2015 due to Commissioner attendance at the Mid-America Regulatory Conference. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to authorize the Commissioners to attend the Mid-America Regulatory Conference (MARC) to be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from June 7-10, 2015 with some expenses to be paid by MARC. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held May 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on May 4, 2015.

  
Chairman

  
Executive Director

