

PRELIMINARY MINUTES

Notice was duly published February 20, 2018 on Page 3 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on February 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Mary Ridder called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, and Tim Schram present. Chair Ridder stated that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and invited the public to address the Commission. No public comments were received. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Tuesday, February 27, 2018:

2:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
C-4958 In the Matter of the Application of Birch Communications, Inc., for authority to operate as a local exchange and interexchange carrier of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska: Commissioner Crystal Rhoades presiding as Hearing Officer.

Wednesday, February 28, 2018:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
NG-0093 In the Matter of Black Hills Energy/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC. d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Papillion, Nebraska, seeking approval of Certain Accounting and Regulatory Treatment of a Regulatory Asset Comprised of increased Location Costs due to a Fiber Optics Project in Lincoln, Nebraska, and other Specified Costs. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer.

1:30 Commission Hearing Room
MR-1021/
PI-210 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, own its own motion, seeking to investigate the efficacy of the Official Household Goods Tariff 7F and Official Intracity Household Goods Tariff 22 and evaluate potential changes to the tariff system. Commissioner Crystal Rhoades presiding as Hearing Officer.

Tuesday, March 6, 2018:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln
Commission Meeting

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COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-4963 In the Matter of the Application of Matthew M. Boring, Colon, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Weston/Malmo Exchange of Northeast Nebraska Telephone: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order approving boundary change. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

ADC-13 In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director of the Communications Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant v. Public Policy Polling, Respondent: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an Order dismissing the Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

C-4961 In the Matter of the Application of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of an Interconnection Agreement with First Communications, LLC, Akron, Ohio;

C-4964 In the matter of the Application of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of a Carrier Partner for Interconnected VoIP Provider Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement with Wide Voice, LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada, previously approved in Docket C-4763; and

C-4965 In the Matter of the Application of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of a CLEC Unbundled Network Elements Construction Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement with Granite Telecommunications, LLC, Quincy, Massachusetts, previously approved in Docket C-3054: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Orders C-4961, C-4967, and C-4965 approving an interconnection agreement and two amendments to interconnection agreements. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NEBRASKA 911 DEPARTMENT

911-018/
PI-117 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish audit requirements related to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund: Patriot Mobile, Inc. and Pinpoint Communications, Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting audit waivers. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

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NEBRASKA 911 DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

- 911-042.01 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 services: Nemaha County;
- 911-042.09 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: City of McCook.;
- 911-042.21 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Cuming County;
- 911-042.24 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Fillmore County; and
- 911-042.66 In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Antelope County: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter Orders in Dockets 911-042.01, 911-042.09, 911-042.21, 911-042.24 and 911-042.66 approving funding for GIS site/structure address point layer. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

LEGISLATIVE

Nichole Mulcahy discussed pending legislation.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

- B-1468 In the Matter of the Application of KC Services, LLC d/b/a Kiddie Cab, Columbus, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the prearranged transportation of passengers and their baggage, preschool through Grade 12, between points in Platte County and between points within said county, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Motion made by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, Exemption granted and Certificate No. B-1468 cancelled. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

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GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

GW-22 In the Matter of the application of Ag Valley Cooperative, Non-Stock, Edison, Nebraska, requesting a \$25,000 deductible on its stock insurance: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting authority to increase its insurance deductible. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades, and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GW-537 In the Matter of Cooperative Supply, Inc., Dodge, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of Oats.

GW-2195 In the Matter of First Rate Trading, LLC, Hadar, Nebraska: John Fecht reported on shortage of Corn and Soybeans.

GD-3027 In the Matter of the Application of Green Plains Grain Cooperative Corporation, Omaha, Nebraska, seeking authority to operate as a grain dealer pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 75-903 (Reissue of 2016). Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an Order granting the Grain Dealer License. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades, and Tim Schram voting AYE.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioners Mary Ridder and Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

Lustre-Cal	\$	6,860.00
Mary Ridder		924.32
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Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Kea Morovitz to travel to and attend the ESRI Southwest User Conference in Broomfield, CO, from April 9, 2018 through April 12, 2018, with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, and Tim Schram present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 6, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on March 5, 2018.

Chair

Executive Director