

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission, on) RULE AND REGULATION NO. 198
its own motion, seeking to amend)
Title 291, Chapter 7, Transmission)
Lines Rules and Regulations, to) ORDER OPENING DOCKET, SEEKING
adopt the 2017 edition of the) COMMENTS, AND NOTICE OF
National Electrical Safety Code as) HEARING
the official rules of the Commission)
for the construction, operation, and)
maintenance of overhead and under-)
ground electric transmission lines.) ENTERED: October 4, 2016

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) hereby opens the above-captioned docket, on its own motion, seeking to adopt the 2017 edition of the National Electrical Safety Code as the official rules of the Commission for the construction, operation and maintenance of overhead and underground electric transmission lines.

The Commission seeks to amend its rules to wit:

1. Amend rule 001.01 to read as follows:

001.01 Power Lines to Comply with National Electrical Safety Code: For the purposes of implementing Chapter 75, Article 7, of the Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, Transmission Lines Rules and Regulations, the ~~2012~~2017 edition of the National Electrical Safety Code as modified by the Commission (and incorporated herein by reference and available for viewing at the Nebraska Public Service Commission, 300 The Atrium, 1200 "N" Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508) shall be the official rules of the Commission for the construction, operation, and maintenance of overhead and underground electric transmission lines, except when such rules and regulations conflict with the laws of Nebraska or the special rules and regulations of the Commission.

The Commission finds that a public comment period should be opened to allow for the filing of written comments. Interested parties may file written comments with the Commission on or before **3:00 p.m. CDT, Friday, November 4, 2016**. Parties filing comments should file one (1) original, five (5) paper copies and one (1) electronic copy in Word format emailed to deena.ackerman@nebraska.gov and nichole.mulcahy@nebraska.gov.

The Commission finds that this matter should be set for hearing on **Tuesday, November 8, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. CST** in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that this rulemaking amending Title 291, Chapter 7, Transmission Lines Rules and Regulations, to adopt the 2017 edition of the National Electrical Safety Code as the official rules of the Commission for the construction, operation, and maintenance of overhead and underground electric transmission lines be, and it is hereby, open for public comment.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that interested parties file comments on or before 3:00 p.m. CDT, Friday, November 4, 2016. Commenting parties shall file one original, five (5) paper copies along with one electronic copy in Word format emailed to deena.ackerman@nebraska.gov and nichole.mulcahy@nebraska.gov.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a public hearing be scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. CST in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE in Lincoln, Nebraska on this 4th day of October, 2016.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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//s//Tim Schram

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Chairman

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