

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

AGENDA

April 29, 2025

10:00 AM

Executive Director's recommendation to approve the Commission Meeting minutes for February and March 2025.

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Notice was duly published January 30, 2025, on page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on February 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Commissioner Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room. Chair Schram 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 comment was offered. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

NUSF-37.453: In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director, Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Gabb Wireless, Inc., Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order dismissing the Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-139: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to Consider Appropriate Modifications to the High-cost Distribution and Reporting Mechanisms in its Universal Service Fund program in light of Federal and State Infrastructure Grants. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Scheduling Workshop. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-143: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to implement policies and procedures related to providing dedicated universal service support for wireless telecommunications services. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order opening Docket, with initial comments due March 3, 2025 and, reply comments due March 28, 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Report on telecommunications Complaints and Outages received by the Communications Department during the preceding month. Cullen Robbins informs the Commission of the Complaints and Outages received for January, 2025.

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TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1948.03: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to require Careem Transportation, LLC, Omaha, to show cause why its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity should not be revoked. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Sustaining Show Cause and Revoking Certificate B-1948. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2113: In the Matter of the Application of Comfort Cruise Mobility, LLC, Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in Open Class and service by sedan and SUV and in Charter service by bus, in and between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties over irregular routes. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order Dismissing Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2115: In the Matter of the Application of Trusted Transit NEMT, LLC, Bellevue, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in Open Class service by sedan, SUV, and van between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Granting Extension of Deadline. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

MT-0001.05: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to address certain carriers in non-compliance with annual renewal requirements. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order to Dismiss, in Part. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2126.01r: In the Matter of the Application of LRMoore, LLC d/b/a Love Thy Neighbor Senior Care, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to enter an Order of Pending Dismissal. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LEGISLATIVE

LB 666: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to hold neutral position and provide testimony. Motion passed with

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Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 4: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to oppose and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Eric Kamler and Christian Mirch voting NAY.

LB 311: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to oppose and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.


LB 37: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to support and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 128: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to support and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on February 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on February 10, 2025.



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Executive Director

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Chair Commissioner Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 9:59 a.m. with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room. Chair Schram 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 comment was offered. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

NUSF-1, PO #7: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for administration of the Nebraska Universal Service Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler Cullen Robbins requests that the Commission approve Dialpad, Inc.'s request for an NUSF audit extension to March 31, 2025, otherwise due February 28, 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-7: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to review and approve requests for modification of the funding calculation for the Nebraska Service Fund (NUSF). Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order closing out this docket. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-131, PO #3: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to establish reverse auction procedures and requirements. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order issuing final Grant Award(s). Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1958.04: In the Matter of the Application of Blair Blue Community Transportation, LLC, Blair, seeking cancellation and revocation of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued in Docket No. B-1958. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Cancellation of

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Certificate B-1958. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2126.01r: In the Matter of the Application of LRMoore, LLC d/b/a Love Thy Neighbor Senior Care, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Rates as Amended. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GRAIN DEPARTMENT

GW-553: In the Matter of Kroeker Grain & Lumber Co., Inc, Henderson, Nebraska: Terri Fritz reports that the grain warehouse license was cancelled as of January 21, 2025.

GD-3081: In the Matter of PA, LLC a/k/a Producer Ag, LLC, Wichita, Kansas, seeking approval of Grain Dealer License. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to enter an Order Granting Grain Dealer License. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GD-553: In the Matter of Kroeker Grain & Lumber Co., Inc, Henderson, Nebraska: Terri Fritz reports that the grain dealer license was cancelled as of January 21, 2025.

LEGISLATIVE

LB 191: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to support LB 191 and submit a letter. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 346: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to support LB 346 and submit a letter. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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Executive Director's recommendation to approve the Commission Meeting minutes for January 2025. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commissioner Christian Mirch to travel to and attend the 2025 NARUC Winter Policy Summit in Washington, D.C. from February 23, 2025 to February 27, 2025 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Christian Mirch present not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on February 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on February 18, 2025.



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Executive Director

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Notice was duly published February 10, 2025, on page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on February 19, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Commissioner Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 9:59 a.m. with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room. Chair Schram 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 comment was offered. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5617: In the Matter of the Application of Alan & Jeanette Koelling, Ord, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the North Loup Exchange of the Nebraska Central Telephone Company. to enter an Order to approve the Application; and

C-5628: In the Matter of the Application of Matthew Green, Marquette, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Hordville Exchange of the Hamilton Telephone Company. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order to approve the Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5629: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Central Telephone Company, Gibbon, Nebraska, seeking approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Level 3 Communications, LLC, Broomfield, Colorado. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order to approve the Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-7.07: In the Matter of the Application of Qwest Corporation for issuance by the Commission of an Order waiving certain requirements in the Opinion and Findings in Application No. C-1628 associated with the NUSF support calculation in the transition period. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order approving Stipulation and closing docket. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRS-30: In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director of the Communications Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Dalton Telephone Company, LLC, Respondent. Motion made

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by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to enter an Order dismissing the Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-101.1: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, opening an investigatory docket for the purpose of general monitoring of issues regarding the natural gas industry and jurisdictional utilities in Nebraska. Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, and Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy. to enter assessment order CD-8; and

NG-101.2: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, opening an investigatory docket for the purpose of general monitoring of issues regarding the natural gas industry and jurisdictional utilities in Nebraska. NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter assessment order CD-5. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1705.03: In the Matter of the Application of Ability Wheel Chair Transportation, LLC, Hastings, seeking to amend its contract carrier authority and remove all current restrictions by extending its authority to provide transportation as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van and wheelchair accessible van between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes, pursuant to a contract with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, a Medicaid-managed care organization under contract with NDHHS, or another agent working on behalf of NDHHS. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Withdrawing Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2121: In the Matter of the Application of I'll Take You There Transportation Services, LLC, Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in Open Class service by van, sedan, and SUV, in and between points in Douglas, Sarpy, and Lancaster counties over irregular routes. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

ML-68: In the Matter of the Application of Easy As Pie Moving Co., LLC, Bellevue, seeking a license to provide household goods moving

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services in Nebraska intrastate commerce between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order Granting License. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

MT-0001.05: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to address certain carriers in non-compliance with annual renewal requirements. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order to Dismiss, In Part, Sustain, In Part. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-1624.02r: In the Matter of the Application of Windstar Lines, Inc., Carroll, Iowa, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2118.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Long Drive Luxury Shuttle, LLC, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2138.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Meba Logistics, LLC, d/b/a Meba Logistics, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GRAIN DEPARTMENT

GW-378: In the Matter of Battle Creek Farmers Cooperative, Non-Stock dba Farmers Pride, Battle Creek, Nebraska requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. to enter an Order granting application; and

GW-1679: In the Matter of Herbert Feed & Grain Co, Verdigre, Nebraska requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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LEGISLATIVE

LB 176: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to hold neutral position and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 576: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to hold neutral position and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 227: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to support and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 271: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to support and submit a letter. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 444: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to hold a neutral position and monitor. Original Motion amended by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to hold a neutral position and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LB 465: Discussion and action on pending legislation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to oppose and provide testimony. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Budget #1: Discussion and action on budget matters related to open Commission positions. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to support and provide testimony clarifying the actual open positions at the Commission. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Budget #2: Discussion and action on budget matters related to the Broadband Bridge Program. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to suggest a dollar amount of 10 million for both the first and second year to complete the administration of funding and provide testimony to the Legislature

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explaining as much. Motion failed with Commissioners Eric Kamler and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Christian Mirch, Tim Schram and Kevin Stocker voting NAY; and
Budget #2: Discussion and action on budget matters related to the Broadband Bridge Program. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to support and provide testimony emphasizing the need for the Program. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Budget #4: Discussion and action on budget matters related to a) Natural Gas, b) pipeline fund, c) 211 cash fund, and d) Nebraska Competitive Telephone Marketplace Fund reductions. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to oppose point 4a and provide testimony, and support points 4b, 4c, and 4d. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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Executive Director's recommendation for the Commission to enter into a contract with Savant Learning System, Inc. ("Virtual Academy") which provides the Commission access to Virtual Academy's online training services. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Josh Smith to travel to and attend the FRA Railroad Safety Training in Atlanta, Georgia from March 30, 2025 to April 4, 2025 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier, voting AYE.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Nathan Wolfgang to travel to and attend the FRA Railroad Safety Training in Atlanta, Georgia from March 30, 2025 to April 4, 2025 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Dillon Keiffer-Johnson to travel to and attend the FRA Railroad Safety Training in Atlanta, Georgia from March 30, 2025 to April 4, 2025 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 4, 2025, 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 3, 2025.



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Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5630: In the Matter of the Application of Matthew Green, Christina Nokelby, Stephen Twiss, Nick Paschke, Todd Roehrs, Brian Bresnahan, Belinda Strobel, Andrew & Karrie Simmons, Kris Poppen, Doug Langemeier, Barry Denning, Jeremy Janzen, Paula Rhoades, Russell Gronewold, Troy Walling, and Daniel Zierott, Marquette, each seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Hordville Exchange of the Hamilton Telephone Company. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to enter an Order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5632: In the Matter of the Application of John Lange, Fordyce, seeking authority to receive telecommunications service from the Hartington Exchange of Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5633: In the Matter of the Application of Shane Jorgensen, Minden, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Blue Hill Exchange of Glenwood Telephone Membership Corporation. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5640: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program in the 2025 Program Year. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order opening Docket and Seeking Comment, with Notice of Hearing for Wednesday,

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April 9, at 1:00 p.m., Central, in the Commission's Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium 1200 "N" Street, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

AD-736r: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Republican Party, Lincoln, Nebraska, seeking authority to register the connection of an automatic dialing-announcing device. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order approving application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-32.22: 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. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order to Show Cause and set Hearing for April 15, 2025 at 11:00 a.m., Central, in the Commission's Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 "N" Street, Lincoln. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Cullen Robbins seeks Commission approval for a waiver of remittance site late fees for each of the monthly surcharges, due to the migration of users to a new remittance system, for the following data periods: 911 Surcharge, Dec. 2024 and Jan. 2025; NUSF Surcharge, Jan. 2025 and Feb. 2025; TRS Surcharge, Jan. 2025 and Feb. 2025. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to approve waiver of remittance site late fees for the following data periods: 911 Surcharge, Dec. 2024 and Jan. 2025; NUSF Surcharge, Jan. 2025 and Feb. 2025; TRS Surcharge, Jan. 2025 and Feb. 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Report on telecommunications Complaints and Outages received by the Communications Department during the preceding month. Cullen Robbins informs the Commission of the Complaints and Outages received for February, 2025.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

E-2539: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Pawnee County. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1951.04: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to require Black Diamond S&S, Scottsbluff, to show cause why its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity should not be revoked. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order to Show Cause and Schedule Hearing. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2020.01: In the Matter of the Application of Limousine Gonzalez, LLC, Waco, seeking cancellation and revocation of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued in Docket No. B-2020. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Approving Cancellation of Certificate No. B-2020. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2066: In the Matter of the Application of SLCT Transport d/b/a Snowleopard Medical Transport, Bennington, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in open class service between points in Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster, Washington, Dodge, Cass, and Saunders Counties, and between said counties over irregular routes. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Nunc Pro Tunc. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2069.02: In the Matter of the Application of A-Life Home Health Care Services, LLC, Omaha, seeking approval of a name change to A-Life Home Health Care Services, LLC, d/b/a A-Life Medical Transport. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Approving Name Change. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2083: In the Matter of the Application of Stacked S Services, LLP, Kearney, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in Open Class service by van between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. HHS Designation: No. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order Dismissing Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

MT-0001.05: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to address certain carriers in non-compliance with annual renewal requirements. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order to Dismiss, In Part. Motion passed with Commissioners

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Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

MT-0005: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its Own Motion, to require Ability Wheelchair Transportation, LLC; Big Premier Limousine/TAA, LLC d/b/a BIG Premier Limousine; Davis Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Ollie the Trolley; Down The Hatch; Family Empowerment Service, Inc.; Flatland Rentals, LLC; Kidcaboo, LLC; Medics At Home, Inc.; Nebraska Urban Indian Health Coalition; No Prob Limo, LLC; Omaha Brew Bus, LLC; Serving Nebraska Health Transportation Agency; and Unity Transportation Services, Inc; to show cause why their authorities should not be revoked and why a civil penalty should not be assessed. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Scheduling Show Cause Hearing. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2096.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Happy Moments Home Healthcare, LLC, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2121.01r: In the Matter of the Application of I'll Take You There Transportation Services, LLC, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Rates on an Emergency Basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Report on Motor Transportation Complaints and Railroad complaints received by the Department during the preceding Month. Dillon Keiffer-Johnson informs the Commission of the Complaints received for February, 2025.

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Discussion and action on pending legislation.


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The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 11, 2025, 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 10, 2025.



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PRELIMINARY

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Notice was duly published February 24, 2025, on page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on March 11, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Commissioner Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Christian Mirch and Kevin Stocker present in the Commission Hearing Room, and Commissioners Eric Kamler and Dan Watermeier attending virtually via Webex. Chair Schram 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 comment was offered. Chair Schram announced that Commissioners Eric Kamler and Dan Watermeier were in attendance virtually.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5631: In the Matter of the Application of Mona Buschelman, Fordyce, Nebraska, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Hartington Exchange of Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. to enter an Order granting application; and

C-5634: In the Matter of the Application of Laura Steffen, Fordyce, Nebraska, seeking authority to receive telecommunications service from the Hartington Exchange of Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5636: In the Matter of the Joint Application of FiberComm, L.C. and ImOn Communications, LLC, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, seeking approval of a transfer of control. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5561: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program in the 2024 program year. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order revising grant awards. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

ADC-14: In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director of the Communications Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, complainant, v. Central Marketing Services, Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch

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to enter an Order dismissing the Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-1, PO #7: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to establish guidelines for administration of the Nebraska Universal Service Fund: Mitel Cloud Services. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker Cullen Robbins seeks Commission approval to grant audit extension request to March 31, 2025, for the 2023 NUSF Remittance audit, otherwise due February 28, 2025. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF Advisory Board New Appointments: Cullen Robbins seeks Commission approval to appoint Peter Gose from Lumen Technologies as Telecom Carrier Representative; Christa Porter from the Nebraska Library Commission as Library Representative; Christina Struebing from the Nebraska Department of Education as Schools Representative and, Andrew Vinton from Allo Communications as Telecom Carrier Representative.

NUSF-133: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement standards for the verification of broadband service provider coverage and speed data. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter a waiver of ongoing speed testing. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF Fund Status Report.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

E-2539: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Pawnee County. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

MT-0005: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its Own Motion, to require Ability Wheelchair Transportation, LLC; Big Premier Limousine/TAA, LLC d/b/a BIG Premier Limousine; Davis Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Ollie the Trolley; Down The Hatch; Family Empowerment Service, Inc.; Flatland Rentals, LLC; Kidcaboo, LLC; Medics At Home, Inc.; Nebraska Urban Indian Health Coalition; No Prob Limo, LLC; Omaha Brew Bus, LLC; Serving Nebraska Health Transportation Agency; and Unity Transportation Services, Inc; to show cause why

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their authorities should not be revoked and why a civil penalty should not be assessed. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order to Dismiss, In Part. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

In the Matter of completed Household Goods Mover License renewals. Dillon Keiffer-Johnson reports on the renewal of Coleman American Moving Services, Inc. ML-32.

LEGISLATIVE

Discussion and action on pending legislation.

The meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 18, 2025, 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 17, 2025.



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Notice was duly published March 7, 2025, on page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on March 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Commissioner Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Dan Watermeier, and Kevin Stocker present in the Commission Hearing Room. Chair Schram 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 comment was offered. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

NUSF Late-Filed Remittances: CallShaper, LLC, Zultys, Inc., Dagobah System, Inc., Discount Long Distance, Hypercube Networks, LLC, Net2Phone 2.0 America, Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker Cullen Robbins seeks Commission approval to open NUSF Remittance Complaints against CallShaper, LLC, Zultys, Inc., Dagobah System, Inc., Discount Long Distance, Hypercube Networks, LLC and, Net2Phone 2.0 America, Inc. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1320.02: In the Matter of the Application of Ronald D. Allgood, d/b/a Tree City Cab, Nebraska City, seeking to suspend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issues in Docket No. B-1320 until July 1, 2025. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Granting Suspension. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2120: In the Matter of the Application of Always At Home Supportive Living, LLC, seeking authority as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in Open Class service by van in and between points in Douglas, Sarpy, and Lancaster counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes pursuant to contracts with the League of Human Dignity, Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging, and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, a medicaid-managed care organization under contract with NDHHS, or another agent working on behalf of NDHHS. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Approving Amendment to Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric

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Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

MT-0005: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its Own Motion, to require Ability Wheelchair Transportation, LLC; Big Premier Limousine/TAA, LLC d/b/a BIG Premier Limousine; Davis Entertainment, LLC d/b/a Ollie the Trolley; Down The Hatch; Family Empowerment Service, Inc.; Flatland Rentals, LLC; Kidcaboo, LLC; Medics At Home, Inc.; Nebraska Urban Indian Health Coalition; No Prob Limo, LLC; Omaha Brew Bus, LLC; Serving Nebraska Health Transportation Agency; and Unity Transportation Services, Inc; to show cause why their authorities should not be revoked and why a civil penalty should not be assessed. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order to Dismiss, in Part. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2020.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Always at Home Transportation, LLC, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Granting Rates on an Emergency Basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2125.01: In the Matter of the Application of MEC Consulting, LLC, Bellevue, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2135.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Bill on Air Ride, LLC, Lincoln, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch to enter an Order Granting Rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LEGISLATIVE

Discussion and action on pending legislation.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commissioner Kevin Stocker to travel to and attend the 2025 Current Issues Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico from April 5, 2025 to April 9, 2025 with expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Christian

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Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Kevin Stocker present not voting.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commissioner Tim Schram to travel to and attend the ITRS Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland from April 9, 2025 to April 10, 2025 with all expenses to be paid by the ITRS fund. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 25, 2025, 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 24, 2025.



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Notice was duly published March 17, 2025, on page 8 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on March 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Commissioner Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Dan Watermeier, and Kevin Stocker present in the Commission Hearing Room. Chair Schram 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 comment was offered. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5637: In the Matter of the Application of Andy Reinhardt, Zach Zimmer, and Sandra Messersmith, of Crofton, Nebraska, each seeking authority to receive telecommunications service from the Hartington Exchange of Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-101.1: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, opening an investigatory docket for the purpose of general monitoring of issues regarding the natural gas industry and jurisdictional utilities in Nebraska. Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, and Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy. to enter assessment order CD-9; and

NG-117: In the Matter of Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Rapid City, South Dakota, seeking approval to implement a voluntary renewable natural gas and carbon offset program. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter assessment order CD-4. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

E-2514: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain electric transmission lines in Lancaster County. to enter an order granting an extension; and

E-2515: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain electric transmission lines in Lancaster County. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker

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to enter an order granting an extension. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

E-2540: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain electric transmission lines in York County. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NG-101.1: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, opening an investigatory docket for the purpose of general monitoring of issues regarding the natural gas industry and jurisdictional utilities in Nebraska. Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, and Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy. Nichole Mulcahy informed the Commission of the next status meeting on April 29, 2025, at 2:00p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room and via Webex.

NG-101.2: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, opening an investigatory docket for the purpose of general monitoring of issues regarding the natural gas industry and jurisdictional utilities in Nebraska. NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy. Nichole Mulcahy informed the Commission of the next status meeting on April 8, 2025, at 2:00p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room and via Webex.

NG-122: In the Matter of NorthWestern Energy Public Service Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, seeking approval of a natural gas general rate increase for Nebraska. Nichole Mulcahy informed the Commission a notice of extension was received from the parties that they have agreed to extend the negotiation deadline to April 4, 2025.

GRAIN DEPARTMENT

GW-22: In the Matter of the Application of Ag Valley Cooperative, Non-Stock, Edison, Nebraska requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. to enter an Order granting application;

GW-2137: In the Matter of the Application of Grovijohn Feed & Seed, Inc., Howells, Nebraska requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. to enter an Order granting application; and

GW-2156: In the Matter of the Application of Norder Supply, Inc., Hebron, Nebraska requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

R&R 212: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to amend Title 291, Chapter 8, Grain Warehouse and Grain Dealer Rules and Regulations for general cleanup and updates and to comply with Nebraska Legislative Bill 262 (2024). Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order Adopting Proposed Rules and Issuing Certificate of Adoption. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 1, 2025, 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 31, 2025.



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