

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Notice was duly published September 21, 2021 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 September 28, 2021 at 10:00 AM in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Dan Watermeier called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 AM. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present via Webex. Chair Watermeier 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, September 28, 2021:

11:00 AM    **Hearing**  
TNC-2  
Annual Fee for Transportation Network Companies  
Commission Hearing Room and WebEx  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Tim Schram

Tuesday, October 5, 2021:

10:00 AM    **Commission Meeting**  
Commission Hearing Room & Webex

11:00 AM    **Oral Argument**  
FC-1368  
Order Scheduling Oral Argument on Motion to Dismiss  
Commission Hearing Room and WebEx  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Tim Schram

## COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5305        In the Matter of the Application of Henry Wrich, Liberty, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the North Summerfield Exchange of Blue Valley Telecommunications, Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5306        In the Matter of the Application of Devin Weyer, Liberty, seeking authority to received advanced telecommunications capability service from the North Summerfield Exchange of Blue Valley Telecommunications, Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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C-5307 In the Matter of the Application of Gregory Reiners, Doniphan, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Doniphan exchange of the Hamilton Telephone Company. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5308 In the Matter of the Application of Lisa Samuelson, Norfolk, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Hoskins Exchange of Pierce Telephone Company, Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

## NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-88 In the Matter of the Application of Source Gas Distribution, LLC, Golden, Colorado, seeking Approval of the Regulatory Treatment of the Net Buyout Costs of Two Gas Supply-Related Contracts, the Costs Associated with Financing the Buyout Costs, and Other Specified Relief.

NG-111.3 In the Matter of Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Rapid City, South Dakota, seeking to modify its tariff due to the February 2021 cold weather event, and implement a conversion fee for commercial sales customers who convert to transportation service.

NG-112.1 In the Matter of Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Rapid City, South Dakota, seeking approval of a 2022 System Safety and Integrity Rider. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter assessment orders NG-88/BA-9, NG-111.3/BA-10, NG-112.1/BA-3 and BA-4. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

E-2494 In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Public Power District, Columbus, Nebraska, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Buffalo County. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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## TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1921 In the Matter of the Application of Alpha Life Improvement Services, Omaha, seeking suspension of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity until August 1, 2022. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting suspension until August 1, 2022. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2004 In the Matter of the Application of LaToya Prince Ventures, LLC, Omaha, seeking authority as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in open class service 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. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order of pending dismissal. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2029 In the Matter of the Application of CareOne Transport Systems, LLC d/b/a CareOne, Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van and sedan in open class service between points in Douglas, Dodge, Sarpy, Washington, Lancaster, Lincoln, Adams, Otoe, Hall and Cass counties, and between said counties, over irregular routes. RESTRICTIONS: HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order vacating earlier findings and granting application as amended. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2037 In the Matter of the Application of Steele Events, LLC d/b/a Steele Pro Party Bus, Lincoln, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by bus in special party service between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. HHS Designation: No. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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BR-613/ B-2025 In the Matter of FADI, LLC, Bennington, 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 Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order granting rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

BR-618/ B-2029 In the Matter of CareOne Transport Systems, LLC, d/b/a CareOne, 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 Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order granting rates on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

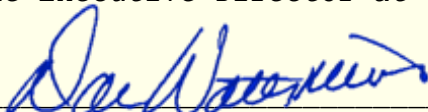
GW-2199 In the Matter of the Application of Belden Grain, LCC, Belden, Nebraska, seeking authority to operate as a grain warehouse pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 88-528 (Reissue of 2008). Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson to enter an order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GW-340 In the Matter of Union Grain Company, St. Libory, Nebraska: Terri Fritz reported on shortage of Corn.

GDC-445/ GD-3022 In the Matter of Terri Fritz, Grain Program Manager, Grain Warehouse Department, Nebraska Public Service Commission, COMPLAINANT, v. Pipeline Foods, LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, RESPONDENT. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder to enter an order assessing civil penalties and revoking license. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:27 AM with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on October 5, 2021 at 10:00 AM with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 AM on October 4, 2021.

  
Chair

  
Deputy Director