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Notice was duly published March 1, 2024 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 12, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Commissioner Dan Watermeier called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Christian Mirch, Eric Kamler and Kevin Stocker present in the Commission Hearing Room. 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 comment was made. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5484: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program in the 2023 program year. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an Order Denying Motion for Partial Reconsideration. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Christian Mirch voting NAY.

AD-724: In the Matter of the Application of University of Maryland Global Campus, Adelphi, Maryland, seeking authority to connect an automatic dialing-announcing device in Santa Clara, California. to enter an Order Granting Application; and

AD-725: In the Matter of the Application of University of Maryland Global Campus, Adelphi, Maryland, seeking authority to connect an automatic dialing-announcing device in Atlanta, Georgia. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, 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.

AD-729: In the Matter of the Application of Voice Broadcasting, Arlington, Texas, seeking authority to connect an automatic dialing-announcing device. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, 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.

C-5562: In the Matter of the Application of Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC, Monroe, Louisiana, seeking approval of an Interconnection Agreement with MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, Basking Ridge, New Jersey. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler to enter an Order approving Interconnection Agreement between CenturyLink and MCImetro

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Access Transmission Services, LLC. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-99: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Broadband Grant Request. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an Order granting extension request for the Tekamah, Grand Island, Wood River and Schuyler projects, in part. Motion passed with Commissioners Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, Commissioner Eric Kamler voting NAY, and Commissioner Christian Mirch present not voting.

NUSF-99: In the Matter of the Nebraska public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink, Broadband Grant Request. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an Order granting extension request, in part and denying extension request, in part. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-99.128: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink, Broadband Grant Request. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to enter an Order granting extension request for the Minatare project, in part. Motion passed with Commissioners Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Eric Kamler voting NAY.

NUSF-99.137: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, Broadband Grant Request. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order granting extension request for the Schuyler project. Motion passed with Commissioners Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Eric Kamler voting NAY.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-2089: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Taxi Transportation, LLC, Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in taxicab service by sedan, van, and SUV, originating at Eppley Airport on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. HHS Designation: No. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker to enter an Order Granting Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler,

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

MT-0001.04: 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 Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an Order to Dismiss, in Part, and to Sustain, in Part. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2049.03r: In the Matter of the Application of Prescribed Transportation, 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 Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram 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-2086.01r: In the Matter of the Application of OZVP I, LLC d/b/a Premier Party Buses, Ralston, 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 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.

LEGISLATIVE

Discussion on pending legislation. No Motion was made.

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m. with Commissioners Tim Schram, Dan Watermeier, Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, and Kevin Stocker present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 19, 2024 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 18, 2024.



Chair



Executive Director