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Notice was duly published May 16, 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 June 3, 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/NUSF DEPARTMENT

C-5627: In the Matter of the Application of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska d/b/a Frontier Communications of Nebraska, Inc., Dallas, Texas, and Frontier Communications of America, Inc., Dallas, Texas, seeking approval of a transfer of control to Verizon Communications, Inc., New York, New York. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order granting transfer of control. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5647: In the Matter of the Application of FiberComm, L.C., Sioux City, Iowa, seeking authority to withdraw its local and interexchange certificates of authority and cancel its tariffs. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order granting withdrawal. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5529: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement the Precision Agriculture Infrastructure Grant Act. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to approve Cullen Robbins to grant request for a waiver of deadline for Vistabeam's late-filed completion notices. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-4, PO #31: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to determine the level of the fund necessary to carry out the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act beginning July 1, 2025. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, to enter an Order setting surcharge. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1380.01: In the Matter of the Application of Nebraska Urban Indian Health Coalition, Inc., Lincoln, seeking cancellation and revocation of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued in Docket No. B-1380. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch, to enter an Order Cancelling Certificate. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2017.01: In the Matter of the Application of No-Prob-Limo, LLC, Lincoln, seeking cancellation and revocation of its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued in Docket No. B-2017. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Cancelling Certificate. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2109: In the Matter of the Application of Doing Time Transportation, LLC, Omaha, 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 Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Denying Request for Reconsideration. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2142: In the Matter of the Application of Royalty Party Buses, LLC, Lincoln, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers in Special Party service by bus in and between points within 100 miles of the city limits of Lincoln over irregular routes. HHS Designation: No. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Christian Mirch, to enter an Order Scheduling Hearing. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-2144.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Heartland Health Rides, LLC, Fremont, 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-2145.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Tama 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 Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Granting Rates on an Emergency basis.

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

GRAIN DEPARTMENT

GW-535: In the Matter of the Application of Farmers Union Coop Supply Co., Clarkson, Nebraska, requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. to enter an Order Approving Application; and

GW-2185: In the Matter of the Application of Pride Enterprises, Inc. dba Pride Grain LLC, Long Pine, Nebraska, requesting a deductible on its stock insurance higher than \$10,000. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Approving Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GD-2910/GDC-464: Terri Fritz, Director, Grain Warehouse and Grain Dealer Department, Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, vs. Superior Feed Ingredients, LLC, Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Dismissing Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GD-3085/GDC-463: Terri Fritz, Director, Grain Warehouse and Grain Dealer Department, Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, vs. Dehy Alfalfa Mills, Inc, Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Christian Mirch, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, to enter an Order Dismissing Complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GD-3082: In the Matter of the Application of Mark Miller, LLC, Bloomfield, Nebraska, seeking authority to operate as a Grain Dealer. Motion made by Commissioner Eric Kamler, seconded by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, to enter an Order Dismissing Application. Motion passed with Commissioners Eric Kamler, Christian Mirch, Tim Schram, Kevin Stocker, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GD-3087: In the Matter of the Application of Trenton Agri Products, LLC, Trenton, Nebraska, seeking approval of Grain Dealers License. Motion made by Commissioner Kevin Stocker, seconded by Commissioner Eric Kamler, 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-2910: In the Matter of Superior Feed Ingredients, LLC, Waconia, Minnesota: Terri Fritz reports that the grain dealer license was canceled as of May 16, 2025.

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GD-3024: In the Matter of Lathrop FSG, LLC, Mission, Kansas: Terri Fritz reports that the grain dealer license was canceled as of December 31, 2024.

GD-3085: In the Matter of Dehy Alfalfa Mills, Inc., Arlington, Nebraska: Terri Fritz reports that the grain dealer license was canceled as of January 1, 2025.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION


Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commissioner Dan Watermeier to travel to and attend the 2025 MARC Annual Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana from June 22, 2025 to June 25, 2025 with registration fees to be paid by the Commission, lodging expenses to be paid by MARC, and up to \$500 of travel costs to be reimbursed by MARC. 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.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Sallie Dietrich to travel to and attend the NARUC Summer Policy Summit in Boston, Massachusetts from July 26, 2025 to July 29, 2025 with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. 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.

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 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 June 17, 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 June 16, 2025.



Chair



Executive Director