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Chairman Gerald Vap called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. Chairman Vap invited the public to address the Commission and announced that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room. No announcements were made.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Notice was duly published August 11, 2015 on Page 4 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held August 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

ADC-1 In the Matter of Maurice Gene Hand, Director of the Communications Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Victory Enterprises, Inc., Defendant: Commissioner Crystal Rhoades was appointed as Hearing Officer.

ADC-2 In the Matter of Maurice Gene Hand, Complainant, v. Gravis Marketing, Inc., Defendant: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an order dismissing the complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter orders granting the applications AD-596r and AD-597r. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE:

AD-596r In the Matter of the Application of Gravis Marketing, Inc., Winter Springs, Florida, seeking authority to register the connection of an automatic dialing-announcing device in Reston, Virginia.

AD-597r In the Matter of the Application of Conquest Communications Group, Richmond, Virginia, seeking authority to register the connection of an automatic dialing-announcing device in Los Angeles, California.

C-4761/
DC-87 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission regarding the 2014 Annual Report Filings. Commissioner Jerry Vap presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order sustaining the complaint. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

NUSF-92.25 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer the Nebraska Universal Service Fund's Broadband Program: Application to the Nebraska Broadband Program received from Glenwood Telecommunications. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as the Hearing Officer: The Hearing Officer Order of August 17, 2015, scheduling an oral argument on motion for reconsideration for August 19, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln, was discussed. Shana Knutson informed the Commission that after this Hearing Officer Order was entered, the August 19, 2015 date has been continued to September 1, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

NUSF-102/ In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on P.O. #1/ its own motion, to investigate and consider the cost model PI-194 used by the Federal Communications Commission for Connect American Fund Support, and its corresponding state counterpart. Commissioner Frank Landis presiding as Hearing Officer: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order adopting the opinion and findings in Progression Order No. 1. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-0083 In the Matter of Eco-Energy, LLC, Franklin, Tennessee, seeking authority for a Competitive Natural Gas Provider Certificate in the state of Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting authority. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

NG-0084 In the Matter of the Joint Application of SourceGas Distribution, LLC, SourceGas Holdings, LLC, both of Golden, Colorado and Black Hills Utility Holdings, Inc., Papillion, Nebraska, seeking Necessary Authorizations and Approvals for Black Hills Holdings, Inc. to Acquire SourceGas Holdings, LLC.: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter a notice of Assessment Order and a Protective Order. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. Commissioner Frank Landis was appointed as Hearing Officer.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1887 In the Matter of J.A.I. 1 LLC dba Caring Hearts Transportation, Omaha, seeking authority as a contract carrier in the transportation of passengers by van over irregular routes in Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster, Washington, and Cass counties, on the one hand and on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes: Motion made by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

B-1909 In the Matter of Bus At The Yard, Lincoln, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by bus statewide Nebraska. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: No: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

B-1913 In the Matter of Adventure Enterprises, LLC, Lincoln, seeking to acquire, through transfer, the authority held by AmeriStar Tours, LLC, in Certificate B-1649: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an order granting temporary operating authority. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

M-14232 In the Matter of Aksarben Enterprises, LLC, Hastings, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of household goods in Nuckolls, Clay, Hamilton, Merrick, Howard, Hall, Adams, Webster, Franklin, Kearney, Buffalo, Sherman, Phelps and Harlan counties in Nebraska: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order granting the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

MR-930 In the Matter of Movers and Warehouse Division, Nebraska Motor Carriers Association, Lincoln, seeking authority to establish a fuel surcharge in Nebraska Official Goods Tariff 7F and Tariff 22: The Tariff 7F fuel surcharge was increased to \$.56 per mile and the Tariff 22 fuel surcharge to \$2.12 per truck per trip.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

AS Materiel	\$	525.48
AS-Central Services-OCIO		894.39
Ted Burkey		1,984.50
Laurie Casados		3,671.25
Fred Massing		750.00
Sprint Relay		32,776.57
Thomson Reuters		1,191.75
Kent Pribyl		959.01
Rod Johnson		961.42

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission minutes for July 2015. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to authorize Commissioner Rod Johnson to travel to and attend the Mid-America Telecom Showcase and Seminar to be held from October 19-21, 2015 in Kansas City, Missouri with all expenses to be paid by the Public Service Commission. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to enter into closed session to discuss personnel issues. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. The Commission entered into closed session at 10:12 a.m.

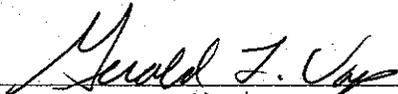
Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to return to open session. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE. The Commission returned to open session at 10:19 a.m.

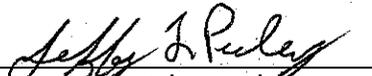
Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to approve the Executive Directors recommendation to upgrade an employee in the NTIPS Department from probationary to permanent status. Motion passed with Commissioners Crystal Rhoades, Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Tim Schram and Jerry Vap voting AYE.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Tim Schram and Gerald Vap present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held August 25, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on August 24, 2015.


Chairman


Executive Director

