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Notice was duly published April 25, 2017 on Page 3 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on May 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chairman Tim Schram called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, and Tim Schram present. Chairman 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 comments were received. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Tuesday, May 16, 2017:

10:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln  
Commission Meeting

11:00 Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln  
NG-0090 In the Matter of Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Papillion, seeking approval of a Farm Tap Safety Proposal and Associated Tariff. Commissioner Rod Johnson presiding as Hearing Officer.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-4905 In the Matter of the Application of Bruce A. Bedient, Hampton, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Hordville Exchange of 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, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Cullen Robbins informed the Commission of the telecommunications complaints and outages received by the Communications Department during the preceding month.

Telephone Company	City	Outage Date	Outage Time	Date Reported	Time Reported	Completion Date	Completion Time	Duration Hrs:Min:Sec	Cause of Outage	Number of Access Lines	
CenturyLink	Omaha	4/8/2017	11:23:00 AM	4/8/2017	3:50:00 PM	4/22/2017	1:00:00 PM	337:37:00	Cable Cut	428	cable was vandalized
Windstream	Hickman	4/19/2017	11:45:00 AM	4/19/2017	4:08:00 PM	4/19/2017	8:00:00 PM	8:15:00	Cable Cut	922	Cut by a company doing water line work
Great Plains	Northeast Nebraska	4/21/2017	11:35:00 AM	4/21/2017	12:43:00 PM	4/21/2017	2:20:00 PM	2:45:00	Fiber cut	422	
CenturyLink	Omaha	4/22/2017	8:30:00 AM	4/22/2017	2:28:00 PM	4/22/2017	9:20:00 PM	12:50:00	Cable Cut	100	Human Error
CenturyLink	Omaha	4/28/2017	7:35:00 PM	4/28/2017	9:45:00 PM	4/28/2017	10:30:00 PM	2:55:00	Damaged Cable	121	Wet Cable due to weather

NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

NUSF-100/ In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 PI-193 its own motion, to consider revisions to Universal Service  
 Fund Contribution Methodology: Motion made by Commissioner  
 Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order  
 denying motion. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank  
 Landis and Tim Schram voting AYE, Commissioner Mary Ridder voting NAY,  
 and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

NUSF-110 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 its own motion, to determine whether to discontinue ported  
 support for grandfathered business lines: Motion made by Commissioner  
 Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order  
 opening docket and seeking comment, due on or before June 16, 2017.  
 Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary  
 Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Sue Vanicek discussed the NUSF Late-Filed Carrier  
 Remittances: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by  
 Commissioner Frank Landis, to open a complaint against Republic  
 Wireless, Inc. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank  
 Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

NEBRASKA 911 DEPARTMENT

911-019/ In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 PI-118 its own motion, to implement provisions of LB 1222 [2006]  
 PO #6 and to establish a permanent funding mechanism for wireless  
 enhanced 911 service; and

911-042.38 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public  
 safety answering points for the implementation and  
 provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Washington  
 County: Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded  
 by Commissioner Frank Landis, to enter an order modifying annual  
 funding allocations. Motion passed with Commissioners Frank Landis,  
 Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

911-042.07 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public  
 safety answering points for the implementation and  
 provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Johnson County;

911-042.13 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public  
 safety answering points for the implementation and  
 provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Merrick County;

911-042.16 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on  
 its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public  
 safety answering points for the implementation and  
 provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Cheyenne  
 County;

## NEBRASKA 911 DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

- 911-042.17 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Hitchcock County;
- 911-042.19 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Saline County;
- 911-042.20 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Dawes County;
- 911-042.25 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Keith County;
- 911-042.34 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Polk County;
- 911-042.37 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Morrill County;
- 911-042.47 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Custer County;
- 911-042.50 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Chase County;
- 911-042.55 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Howard County;
- 911-042.59 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: City of Norfolk;
- 911-042.67 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Pierce County;

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NEBRASKA 911 DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

- 911-042.68 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Butler County; and
- 911-042.71 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Saunders County: Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter orders in Dockets 911-042.07, 911-042.13, 911-042.16, 911-042.17, 911-042.19, 911-042.20, 911-042.25, 911-042.34, 911-042.37, 911-042.47, 911-042.50, 911-042.55, 911-042.59, 911-042.67, 911-042.68 and 911-042.71, modifying funding allocations. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades voting NAY. Commissioner Crystal Rhoades voted "no," stating that she believed the audits are incomplete.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

E-2429 In the Matter of the Application of Lincoln Electric System, Lincoln, seeking authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Lancaster County: Motion made by Commissioner Frank Landis, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE.

Scott Coburn reported a total number of 7 consumer complaints and inquiries received at the Commission during April. For each company: Black Hills Energy - 2; Black Hills Distribution - 4; NorthWestern - 0; and Other Entities - 1.

LEGISLATIVE

Nichole Mulcahy stated that LB 331 and LB 327 are up for final reading, and that LB 329 passed final reading.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Chairman Schram invited the public to address the Commission. No public comments were received.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Frank Landis, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

State Auditor's Office	\$	2,578.50
DAS-Central Finance-OCIO		5,932.51
DAS-Central Finance-Personnel		1,889.71
Ted Burkey		1,031.00
Office Depot		1,331.12
Ken Stadler		1,674.93
Kent Pribyl		946.40

NEBRASKA EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM:	\$	7,848.36
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Alternative Hearing  
 Beltone  
 Carl A. Johnson  
 Harris Communications  
 Professional Hearing-Aid Services  
 Sherard Hearing Centers  
 Teltex, Inc.  
 Tobii Dynavox Systems  
 Weitbrecht Communications, Inc.

Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Mark Luttich to travel to, attend and speak at the Nebraska Manufactured Housing Association Inc.'s annual meeting in Council Bluffs, Iowa on Thursday, May 11, 2017, with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioners Frank Landis and Mary Ridder voting NAY. Commissioners Frank Landis and Mary Ridder voted no because the meeting is being conducted outside of the State of Nebraska.

Commissioner Rod Johnson asked for a point of personal privilege and thanked the staff for their efforts in making the York Public Meeting on OP-0003 successful.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Frank Landis, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, and Tim Schram present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on May 15, 2017.

  
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 Chairman

  
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 Executive Director