

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Notice was duly published February 18, 2022 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 15, 2022 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 Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room and Commissioners Rod Johnson and 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:

Friday, February 25, 2022:

TRS Advisory Committee Meeting

1:30 p.m., Commission Hearing Room and Webex
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Tim Schram

Tuesday, March 1, 2022:

Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., Commission Hearing Room and Webex

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5369: In the Matter of the Application of Matrix Telecom, LLC, d/b/a Trinsic Communications d/b/a VarTec Telecom d/b/a Excel Telecommunications d/b/a Impact Telecom d/b/a Startec d/b/a Lingo, Dallas, Texas, seeking authority to change its name to Lingo Telecom, LLC d/b/a Trinsic Communications d/b/a VarTec Telecom d/b/a Excel Telecommunications d/b/a Impact Telecom d/b/a Startec d/b/a Lingo. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5371: In the Matter of the Application of Lydia Thompson, 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 application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-92, PO #13: In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Nebraska Universal Service Fund Broadband Program. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order opening application window from March 1, 2022, and closing April 15,

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2022. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

Cullen Robbins discussed NUSF Late-Filed Carrier Remittances: Lycamobile. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, approving Lycamobile's request for a waiver. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

NG-101/PI-224: In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, opening an investigatory docket for the purpose of general monitoring of issues regarding the natural gas industry and jurisdictional utilities in Nebraska.

NG-101.1: Black Hills/Nebraska Gas Utility Company, LLC, and Black Hills Gas Distribution, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter assessment orders BA-19 and BA-20. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

LEGISLATIVE

Jamie Reyes discussed pending legislation.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1888.01: In the Matter of the Application of Shiloh Place, LLC, Fremont, seeking to extend its authority as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van in open class service between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes pursuant to service contracts with Shiloh Center, LLC and Shiloh Place Adult Day Services. RESTRICTIONS: Limited to residents of Shiloh Place Assisted Living and participants/clients of Shiloh Center Adult Day Services. HHS Designation: Yes- limited to clients transported pursuant to contract; and

B-2047: In the Matter of the Application of Shiloh Center, LLC, Fremont, seeking authority as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van in open class service between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes pursuant to service contracts with Shiloh Place, LLC and Shiloh Center Adult Day Services. RESTRICTIONS: Limited to residents of Shiloh Place Assisted Living and participants/clients of Shiloh Center Adult Day Services. HHS Designation: Yes- limited to clients transported pursuant to contract. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Orders B-1888.01 and B-2047 granting both applications. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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MT-0001.02: 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 Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order dismissing, in part. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-1894.01r: In the Matter of the Application of E Z Cabs, Inc., Sioux City, Iowa, 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 Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, 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.

B-1956.01r: In the Matter of the Application of Lunjini Medical Transportation, LLC, LaVista, Nebraska, 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 denying rates on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

BR-609/B-1952: In the Matter of Transition-N-More, 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 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.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

GW-852: In the Matter of the Application of Country Partners Cooperative, Gothenburg, Nebraska, requesting a \$25,000 deductible on its stock insurance. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GW-2179: In the Matter of The Scoular Company, Holdrege, Nebraska: Terri Fritz reported on a shortage of Corn.

GD-2948: In the Matter of Green Plains Ord LLC, Omaha, Nebraska: Terri Fritz reported that their grain dealer license was canceled on December 31, 2021.

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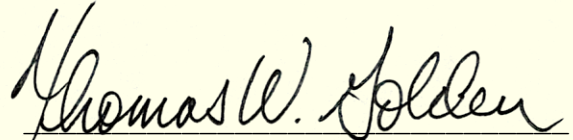
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The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m. with Commissioners Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room and Commissioners Rod Johnson and Crystal Rhoades present via Webex. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on March 1, 2022 at 10:00 AM with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 AM on February 28, 2022.



Chair



Executive Director