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Notice was duly published April 19, 2022 on page 5 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on April 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. 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 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier 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 comments were received. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Tuesday, April 26, 2022:

2:00 p.m., **Quarterly Status Meeting**, NG-101.1/PI-224, Black Hills Energy  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Rod Johnson

Monday, May 2, 2022:

10:00 a.m., **Oral Argument on Respondent's Motion for Reconsideration**, GDC-446, Grain Department v. Banghart Properties, LLC  
Hearing Officer: Tim Schram

Tuesday, May 3, 2022:

10:00 a.m., **Oral Argument on Motion to Dismiss**, FC-1370, Platte Valley Financial Services Companies, Inc. v. United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink  
Hearing Officer: Mary Ridder

1:30 p.m., **Hearing**, NUSF-4, NUSF Surcharge for FY 2022/2023  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Tim Schram

Tuesday, May 10, 2022:

10:00 a.m., **Commission Meeting**

11:00 a.m., **Hearing**, Schedule "A" and "E" Rates and Charges  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Tim Schram

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## COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

**C-5381:** In the Matter of the Application of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska d/b/a Frontier Communications of Nebraska, Norwalk, Connecticut, seeking approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Windstream Communications, LLC, and Windstream of the Midwest, Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, 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.

**NUSF-37.399:** In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director, Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Telnet Worldwide, Inc., Respondent;

**NUSF-37.400:** In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director, Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Comtech 21, LLC, Respondent; and

**NUSF-37.401:** In the Matter of Cullen Robbins, Director, Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. ANPI Business, LLC, Respondent. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Orders dismissing the complaints NUSF-37.399 thru NUSF-37.401. 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: Prairie Hills Wireless, LLC, and CBTS Technology Solutions, LLC. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, that Complaints be opened against Prairie Hills Wireless, LLC, and CBTS Technology Solutions, LLC. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

## NATURAL GAS DEPARTMENT

**NG-102/PO-5:** In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to review policies and practices relating to the administration of customer choice programs for natural gas service offered within the State of Nebraska. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an order setting the workshop. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

**NG-13:** In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, to evaluate and establish, on a quarterly basis, an assessment for jurisdictional utilities pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1801 et seq. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter progression order 75. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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**NG-112.1:** In the Matter of Black Hills Nebraska Gas, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy, Rapid City, South Dakota, seeking approval of a 2022 System Safety and Integrity Rider. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter assessment orders BA-12 and BA-13. 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-2054:** In the Matter of the Application of Abundis Mora, LLC, d/b/a Tabella Party Bus LLC, Bellevue, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by bus in special party service between points in Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders, Lancaster, Dodge, Washington, and Cass counties, and between said counties, over irregular routes. HHS Designation: No. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

**B-1969.02r:** In the Matter of the Application of WHC NE, LLC, d/b/a Airport Transportation d/b/a My Sedan and zTrip, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3;

**B-1970.02r:** In the Matter of the Application of WHC NE, LLC, d/b/a zTrip and Cornhusker Cab Company, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3;

**B-1971.02r:** In the Matter of the Application of WHC NE, LLC, d/b/a zTrip and Happy Cab, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3;

**B-1972.02r:** In the Matter of the Application of WHC NE, LLC, d/b/a zTrip and Checker Cab Company, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3;

**B-1973.02r:** In the Matter of the Application of WHC NE, LLC, d/b/a zTrip and Yellow Cab Company, Omaha, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3; and

**B-1974.02r:** In the Matter of the Application of WHC NE, LLC, d/b/a zTrip and Safeway Cabs, 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 Orders amending rates. Motion

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

**B-1983.01r:** In the Matter of the Application of Samuel Safe Ride, 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 Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

**B-2026.01r:** In the Matter of the Application of Mallay Transport, LLC, Lincoln, 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 Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting rates. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on May 10, 2022 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 9, 2022.



Chair



Executive Director