

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, May 21, 2002, the following members were present:

Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Matt Brainard, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner, via phone

Commissioners Anderson and Feland were absent but left written votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(225) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes; Commissioner Rowe moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of May 13, 2002. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioners Anderson and Feland voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

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ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
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(226) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Slamming Complaint Against Business Savings Plan and Notice of Additional Customer Complaints for Sslamming, Docket No. D2001.7.101; Commissioner Brainard moved to adopt a staff report and issue an order for the fines. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Feland voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Monica Tranel

(227) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Qwest "Competitive Response" Program, Docket No. N2002.4.44; Commissioner Brainard moved to issue the complaint against Qwest. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-1. Commissioners Anderson, Brainard, Feland and Stovall vote aye. Commissioner Rowe dissented.

APPEARANCE
Kate Whitney

(228) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Qwest Corporation's Application for Approval of Section 271, Omnibus Wrap-up Issues, Docket No. D2000.5.70; Commissioner Rowe moved to issue comments with a 15-day comment period . Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Feland voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Mike Lee

(229) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Qwest Corporation's Application for Approval of Section 271, Performance Assurance Plan, Docket No. D2000.5.70; Commissioner Brainard moved to allow process to be over and staff will not negotiate with parties. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3-2. Commissioners Brainard, Feland and Stovall voted aye. Commissioners Anderson and Rowe dissented.

APPEARANCE
Monica Tranel

(230) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Ronan Telephone Complaint v. Blackfoot Telecommunications, Docket No. D2000.5.63; Commissioner Rowe moved to grant the motion to continue to facilitate settlement negotiations. The parties shall file on or before June 21, 2002. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Feland voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Monica Tranel

(231) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative's Request for Arbitration of Interconnection Agreement, Docket No. D2002.1.3; Commissioner Brainard moved to grant the joint motion to continue the time in which the parties shall file an interconnection agreement. The parties shall submit their interconnection agreement on or before May 29, 2002. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Feland voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Wayne Budt

(232) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of staff out-of-state travel; Commissioner Brainard moved to approve out of state travel for Monica Tranel to attend a NARUC attorney conference, June 23-26 in San Francisco, California. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Feland voted aye.

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