

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, August 30, 2005, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman
Doug Mood, Commissioner
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner
Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(333) In the matter of POWEREX, N2005.8.117, on August 3, 2005 filed application for a Natural gas supplier License to serve industrial customers in Montana.

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve Powerex's application in Docket N2005.8.117 for a natural gas supplier license in Montana. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(334) In the matter of TN2272- James H. and Joan P Michael dba Airport Shuttle Service, Kalispell, Montana requests permission to lease PSC No. 3664 to Flathead Area Customer Transportation, Inc. dba Kalispell Taxi & Airport Shuttle Service , Kalispell, Montana for one year period, August 30, 2005 to August 30, 2006:

Commissioner Schneider moved to grant approval of a lease PSC No. 3664. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(335) In the matter of TN2273 – Town Taxi, Inc., Havre, Montana requests a fuel surcharge of \$.50 per fare on passenger operations under PSC No. 9436:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve the increase in passenger fare in Docket TN2273. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(336) In the matter of the Commission Minutes for the weeks of August 15, 2005 and August 22, 2005:

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the weeks of August 15, 2005 and August 22, 2005. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Phil Cooke, Chief, Compliance and Public Information Bureau
Robin McHugh, Legal Division

(337) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of MCI's \$.99 Paper Billing Fee:

Commissioner Raney moved to direct staff to send a letter to MCI over the Chairman's signature asking MCI to further discuss their legal justification that the \$.99 Paper Billing Fee would not fall under PSC jurisdiction. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(338) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Docket No. D2004.3.47 – Cut Bank Gas – general rate case:

Commissioner Schneider moved to vacate the hearing date in Cut Bank Gas Docket No. D2004.3.47 to grant CBG's motion to submit supplemental testimony and establish and issue an amended procedural schedule. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Dave Burchett, Utility Division

(339) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Docket No. D2005.5.87 – NorthWestern Energy – Natural Gas Tracker:

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the interim rate request in Docket No. D2005.5.87. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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

GREG JERGESON, Chairman

BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Judy Scheier
Commission Secretary

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