

MINUTES

Thursday, March 28, 2024

9:30 A.M.

PRESENT: David Danner, Chairman
Milt Doumit, Commissioner
Ann Rendahl, Commissioner

The regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Thursday, March 28, 2024 by Chairman Danner. Neiri Carrasco, Director, Regulatory Services, indicated there are no changes to the agenda.

E)1. Consent
00:00 mp4

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to approve the consent agenda and directs the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0).

UTILITIES:

A)1. 1:46 mp4 Docket Number UE-230810; Puget Sound Energy; Petition for an order authorizing deferred accounting treatment for the costs and a return on three demand response PPAs pursuant to RCW 80.28.410. Petition for Accounting Order

Appearances: Chris McGuire, Jeff Roberson, staff; Susan Free, Puget Sound Energy; Joni Sliger, Northwest & Intermountain Power Producers Coalition; Yochi Zakai, The Energy Project; Sommer Moser, Alliance of Western Energy Consumers; Tad Robinson O'Neill, Public Counsel;

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order consolidating Puget Sound Energy's Petition for Deferred Accounting Treatment in Docket No. UE-230810 with Puget Sound Energy's General Rate Case proceeding in Dockets UE-240004 and UG-240005. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)2. 1:00:27 mp4 Docket Number UG-230755; Cascade Natural Gas Corporation; Petition for order that authorizes deferred treatment of expenses related to the Company's multi-year rate plan. Petition for Accounting Order

Appearances: Joanna Huang, staff; Lori Blattner, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation; Yochi Zakai, The Energy Project;

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved, in Docket UG-230755, that the Commission reject Cascade Natural Gas Corporation's proposed accounting petition. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

- A)3. 1:16:53 mp4 Docket Number UG-231044; Avista Corporation; Revises Tariff WN U-29 to establish temporary Schedule 162 - Climate Commitment Act (CCA), for the purpose of passing on to customers the Company's CCA compliance costs and revenues for calendar year 2023. A typical residential customer using 64 therms per month would see an increase of \$3.06 per month, or 3.3 percent. Known low-income customers would receive a credit that fully offsets the CCA charge rate, resulting in a \$0.00 charge to those customers. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Chris McGuire, staff; Shawn Bonfield, Avista Corporation; Derek Nixon, Scott Hancock, State of Washington Department of Ecology; Tad Robinson O'Neill, Public Counsel;

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order allowing the revised tariff sheets, filed by Avista Corporation in Docket UG-231044 on December 22, 2023, as revised on March 4, 2024, to go into effect on April 1, 2024, on a provisional basis, subject to later review and refund. Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

TRANSPORTATION:

- B)1. 2:04:16 mp4 Docket Number TG-231050; Bainbridge Disposal, Inc; General rate increase request that generates approximately \$1,498,000 (27 percent) additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage, recycling, and yard waste services. Bainbridge provides regulated solid waste collection service to approximately 7,200 residential garbage and recycling, 4,000 yard waste, and 450 commercial garbage customers in Kitsap County. The Company's last general rate increase became effective on February 1, 2017. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Jeanine Leggett, staff; Jackie Davis, Bainbridge Disposal, Inc.

Disposition: The Commissioners took no action, thereby allowing tariff pages filed on December 21, 2023, and revised on March 21, 2024, to become effective April 1, 2024.

OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.

RECESSED: No Recessed items for this agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Attested by _____
Jeff Killip, Executive Director