MINUTES

Thursday, July 25, 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, July 25, 2024 by Chairman Danner. Jing Roth, Acting 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. 3:26 mp4 Docket Number UT-240183; Ziply Wireless, LLC; Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the state of Washington. Petition

Appearances: Rebecca Beaton, Sean Bennett, Jing Roth, staff; Jessica Epley, Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC; Tad Robinson O'Neill, Public Counsel

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order in Docket UT-240183:

- 1. Designating Ziply Wireless, LLC, as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving Lifeline support from the federal Universal Service Fund and High-Cost ETC designation for the purpose of receiving federal Connect America Fund II (CAF II) support subject to the condition in Attachment 1 to staff's memo.
- 2. Grant an exemption from Washington Administrative Code 480-123-030(1)(d) that requires the filing of a substantive investment plan.

Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)2. 3:26 mp4 Docket Number UT-240233; Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC; Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the state of Washington. Petition

Appearances: Rebecca Beaton, Sean Bennett, Jing Roth, staff; Jessica Epley, Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC; Tad Robinson O'Neill, Public Counsel

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order in Docket UT-240233:

- 1. Designating Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC, as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the purpose of receiving Lifeline support from the federal Universal Service Fund and federal high-cost Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) Phase I support subject to conditions in Attachment 1 of staff's memo.
- 2. Grant an exemption from Washington Administrative Code 480-123-030(1)(d) that requires the filing of a substantive investment plan.

Commissioner Doumit seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)3. 26:13 mp4 Docket Number UW-240428; Red Mountain Water Association, LLC; Proposed general rate increase that would generate approximately \$17,907 (27.6 percent) in additional annual revenue. The Company provides water service to approximately 85 customers on a water system near Richland in Benton County. The Company's last general rate increase was effective October 1, 2019. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Mike Young, staff;

Disposition: The Commissioners took no action, thereby allowing the tariff revisions filed by Red Mountain Water Association, LLC, on May 22, 2024, and revised on July 19, 2024, to become effective August 1, 2024, by operation of law.

Chairman Danner recessed the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Chairman Danner reconvened the meeting on August 7, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION: No Transportation items for this agenda.

OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.

RECESSED:

D)1. 8:14 mp4 Docket Number UE-240537; Commission General; NOTE: This item will be heard on August 7, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. Recessed Open Meeting. To hear from regulated electric utilities about their status in evaluating day-ahead markets. Staff Investigation

Appearances: Charlie Inman, staff; Phil Haines, Jessica Zahnow, Vincent Ching, Puget Sound Energy; Scott Kinney, Robert Follini, Morgan Stach, Avista Corporation; Mike Wilding, Kerstin Rock, PacifiCorp; James Adcock, consumer

This was for informational purposes only

The meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

Attested by	
•	Jeff Killip, Executive Director