

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION HELD IN ITS OFFICES ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

Commission Chairman John D. Quackenbush called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
Executive Secretary Mary Jo Kunkle called the roll and declared there was a quorum.

PRESENT

Commission: John D. Quackenbush, Chairman
Greg R. White, Commissioner
Sally A. Talberg, Commissioner

Staff: Lisa Gold
Judy Palnau
Mary Jo Kunkle
Sharron Allen
Chris Forist
Vickie Fitzgerald
Margaret Rost
Lisa Felice

Public: Donald Hazzard
Kwafo Adarkwa, ITC Holdings
Suzy Westmoreland, MEGA
Beverly Roberts, Consumers Energy
Tim Hoffman, Consumers Energy

- I.** Commissioner White moved to approve today's agenda, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The agenda was approved.

- II.** Commissioner White moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of August 29, 2013, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The minutes were approved.

III. ORDERS

A. COMMUNICATIONS

1. U-13786 COVISTA, INC.
(license surrender)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application by Covista, Inc., to surrender its license to provide basic local exchange service. The order before you grants the license rescission, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-16913 BUCKEYE TELESYSTEM, INC., AND AT&T MICHIGAN
(interconnection agreement amendment)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which requests Commission approval of an interconnection agreement amendment. The order before you approves the request, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

3. MINUTE ACTION AT&T MICHIGAN
(9-1-1 wireless invoice, U-14000)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue minute dated September 10, 2013 finding that the attached AT&T Michigan invoice No. 517 R41-0001 067 9 for the period of March 1, 2013, to May 31, 2013, is for wireless emergency service costs recoverable under 2007 PA 165, MCL 484.1408(4)(b). The Commission approves the attached invoice in the amount of \$128,788.08 for reimbursement by the Michigan Department of Treasury, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The minute was adopted.

B. ELECTRIC

1. U-16012 CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
(electric restructuring reconciliation)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application by Consumers Energy Company for reconciliation of certain electric restructuring implementation costs. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-16457 THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY
(rule waiver)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application by DTE Electric Company, f/k/a The Detroit Edison Company for waivers of certain billing rules for customers participating in its SmartCurrents pilot pre-pay electric program. The order before you grants the requested waivers subject to certain conditions and reporting requirements, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

3. U-16582 DTE ELECTRIC COMPANY
(renewable energy contract)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application by DTE Electric Company requesting approval of a power purchase agreement with Big Turtle Wind Farm, LLC. The order before you approves the agreement as set forth in the order, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

4. U-17219 JANINE WILLIAMS V DTE ELECTRIC COMPANY AND DTE GAS COMPANY

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves a complaint filed by Janine Williams against DTE Electric Company and DTE Gas Company. The order before you dismisses the complaint with prejudice, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

5. U-17255 SCOTT JETER v DTE ELECTRIC COMPANY

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves a complaint filed by Scott Jeter against DTE Electric Company. The order before you dismisses the complaint with prejudice, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

6. U-17355 UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY
('14-'15 energy optimization plan)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application by Upper Peninsula Power Company requesting approval of its energy optimization plan for 2014 and 2015. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

7. U-17449 CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
(accounting authority)

Commissioner Talberg moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application filed by Consumers Energy Company for certain accounting authorities. The order before you approves the application as described in the order, Chairman Quackenbush seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, Talberg
Concurring – White
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

8. U-17457 UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY
(special contract)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application of Upper Peninsula Power Company for *ex parte* approval of a special contract with Kennecott Eagle Minerals Company. The order before you approves the application, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

C. GAS

1. U-17214 DTE GAS COMPANY
(’12 uncollectibles expense true-up mechanism)

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adopt and issue order dated September 10, 2013 which involves an application by DTE Gas Company for approval of its uncollectibles expense true-up mechanism reconciliation for 2012 and a request that the Commission accept the company’s safety and training related expense report for 2012. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donald Hazzard, Ypsilanti, inquired if DTE Gas Company would be charging an additional meter reading fee for its gas meters if an individual was already being charged for an electric smart meter or a deactivated smart meter. Chairman Quackenbush referred Mr. Hazzard to MPSC staff.

Chairman Quackenbush announced that the next regularly scheduled Commission Meeting will be held on September 24, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.

Commissioner White moved that the Commission adjourn, Commissioner Talberg seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Quackenbush, White, Talberg
Nays – None

The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Mary Jo Kunkle
Executive Secretary