

Commission Business Meeting Notes

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Today's business meeting started at 2:01 p.m. with item one on the utilities agenda: a request to add "d/b/a Lingo" to the name of the applicant. Commissioner Howard moved to approve this, noting that no consumers will be affected by the addition of this name.

Item two was a petition to intervene in Docket No. 2020-3-E, which was granted following a motion made by Ervin.

Item three was a request to hold two dockets—2019-185-E and 2019-186-E—in abeyance pending the conclusion of settlement discussions. Commissioner Whitfield moved to grant this, and his motion carried.

Item four was a request in Docket No. 2019-184-E, involving a request to close the limited rehearing proceeding. Commissioner Belser, noting that parties have withdrawn their petitions for limited rehearing, moved to close proceeding. This carried.

Item five involved Duke Energy Progress, LLC's annual review of base rates for fuel costs. Commissioner Whitfield made the motion to find that DEP complied with the requirements in Commission Order No. 2019-681, and that DEP shall set its total fuel factors at the set rates, available in the Commission's order, which will be posted in the near future.

Item six was a request to schedule a hearing in Docket No. 2019-227-E, which was granted by a motion made by Commissioner Hamilton.

Item seven involved a request to strike portions of the prefiled direct testimony and exhibits in Docket No. 2019-281-S. Commissioner Ervin moved to deny in part and to grant in part, noting that the testimony and evidence under consideration is not entitled to confidential protection. Commissioner Ervin moved to "deny the Company's Motion to Strike and the requested sanctions, including but not limited to costs of the Motion, attorney's fees, reimbursement of the amount that the Company paid Mr. Loy's employer on behalf of ORS pursuant to State law for this case, and the relief of further obligations to pay Mr. Loy's employer for his work on this case" and to "grant the Company's motion to be allowed to file additional rebuttal testimony and exhibits, responsive to the portions of the direct testimonies and exhibits of ORS witnesses Loy, Hunnell, and Seale." His motion carried.

Item eight dealt with Docket No. 2019-281-S, and several proposals contained within the letter of protest. Commissioner Belser noted that the Commission is unable to grant the request to delay action on the

docket, and that in-person hearings are suspended currently. She moved to deny the requests, which carried.

In addition to these items, Commissioners were also briefed on forty-seven other issues related to utilities in South Carolina. The complete list of these items, as well as links to dockets and all materials, is available on the Docket Management System at dms.psc.sc.gov.

Items one and two on today's transportation agenda were requests for extension, both of which were granted following motions made by Commissioners Hamilton and Ervin, respectively.

Item three was a request to amend a tariff, which was granted following Commissioner Whitfield's motion.

Item four was a request to cancel a class-c certificate. Commissioner Howard made the motion to grant this request, which carried.

Item five was a request to suspend a certificate for one year, which Commissioner Belser moved to allow. Her motion carried.

In addition to the items upon which action was taken, Commissioners were also advised on two more issues pertaining to transportation dockets. Those can be reviewed on the Docket Management System.

The next regular Commission Business Meeting will be held on July 8th at 2 p.m. You can access the livestream broadcast of that meeting by visiting our site at www.psc.sc.gov and clicking on "livestream." If you have questions about today's proceedings, please follow us on social media—on Twitter at @PSCofSC and at @UtilityConsumer or on Facebook at Public Service Commission of South Carolina or SC Utility Consumer—or call the offices of the PSC at 803.896.5100. Thank you.