

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Thursday, March 20, 2025

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Strand, Commissioner Nieto and Commissioner Hawkins.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the open meeting of Thursday, March 13, 2025.

2040-WI-100 - Investigation into the Village of Footville, Rock County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for the Unauthorized Construction of a New Well House No. 2 and Associated Civil, Mechanical and Electrical Updates

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

2350-CW-111 - Application of the City of Green Bay, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Construct Chlorine System Modifications, in the City of Green Bay, Brown County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

4220-AF-115 - Application of Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin for Approval of Deferral Accounting Treatment for Excess Liability Insurance Expense

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

1590-WR-105 - Application of the City of Delavan, Walworth County, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

1670-WR-103 - Application of the Village of Dousman, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

3280-WR-117 - Application of the City of Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Adjust Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

6690-GI-101 - Investigation into Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, as a Pipeline Operator, for Potential Noncompliance with Pipeline Safety Regulations

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it to be signed by the Secretary to the Commission.

3270-PL-2024 - 2024 Pipeline Safety Enforcement for Madison Gas and Electric Company Request for a Waiver of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2)

The Commission deemed that the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.013(2) were met at the locations at 1) County Road K and County Road Q, 2) Racek Road and Mint Road, 3) State Highway 131 and Yittri Road, and West 4) Mineral Point Road and granted Madison Gas and Electric Company's (applicant) request for a waiver of Wis. Admin Code § PSC 135.621(2) for only these locations and denied the waiver request for the remaining locations.

The Commission granted the waiver for those four high-pressure main branches subject to the following conditions:

1. All future pipe installed in the applicant's jurisdictional gas system must meet the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2).
2. Any of the instances of high-pressure branches and associated services included in the waiver request must be converted to a 60 pounds per square inch gauge distribution system if future construction or customer load make it feasible.
3. The applicant must conduct a leakage survey with leak detector equipment once each calendar year not to exceed 15 months for each high-pressure main branch and connected service included in this waiver request.
4. The applicant's pipeline personnel must monitor excavations where Diggers Hotline ticket area includes gas high-pressure pipelines included in the waiver request.
5. All other requirements of Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 135 still apply.

The Commission directed the Division of Energy Regulation and Analysis to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

6650-PL-2024 - 2024 Pipeline Safety Enforcement for Wisconsin Gas LLC

Request for a Waiver of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2)

The Commission deemed that the requirements of Wis. Admin Code § PSC 135.013(2) were met for the nine instances requested and granted Wisconsin Gas LLC's (applicant) request for a waiver of Wis. Admin Code § PSC 135.013(2) for these locations subject to the following conditions:

1. All future pipe installed in the applicant's jurisdictional gas system must meet the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2).
2. Any of the instances of high-pressure branches and associated services included in the waiver request must be converted to a 60-psig distribution system if future construction or customer load make it feasible.
3. The applicant must conduct a leakage survey with leak detector equipment once each calendar year not to exceed 15 months for each high-pressure main branch and connected service included in this waiver request.
4. The applicant's pipeline personnel must monitor excavations where Diggers Hotline ticket area includes gas high-pressure pipelines included in the waiver request.
5. All other requirements of Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 135 still apply.

The Commission directed the Division of Energy Regulation and Analysis to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

6690-PL-2024 - 2024 Pipeline Safety Enforcement for Wisconsin Public Service Corporation

Request for a Waiver of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2)

The Commission deemed that the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.013(2) have been met for the eight instances requested and granted Wisconsin Public Service Corporation's (applicant) request for a waiver of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2) at these location subject to the following conditions:

1. All future pipe installed in the applicant's jurisdictional gas system must meet the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 135.621(2).
2. Any of the instances of high-pressure branches and associated services included in the waiver request must be converted to a 60-psig distribution system if future construction or customer load make it feasible.
3. The applicant must conduct a leakage survey with leak detector equipment once each calendar year not to exceed 15 months for each high-pressure main branch and connected service included in this waiver request.
4. The applicant's pipeline personnel must monitor excavations where Diggers Hotline ticket area includes gas high-pressure pipelines included in the waiver request.
5. All other requirements of Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 135 still apply.

The Commission directed the Division of Energy Regulation and Analysis to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

CLOSED SESSION – The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the potential litigation matter noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

5-EI-2025 - Investigation on Commission's Own Motion of Impacts or Activities Related to the Operation of Energy Markets by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Commissioner Nieto moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the potential litigation matter listed above with legal counsel. Commissioner Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion was carried, and the Commission went into closed session.

After a discussion in closed session, the Commission reconvened in open session and indicated that it had provided direction to legal counsel and the Delegated Commissioner to the Organization of MISO States regarding the above referenced matter.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cru Stublely". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Cru Stublely
Secretary to the Commission

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