

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

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2:02 ~ 2:20 P.M.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Comer H. ‘Randy’ RANDALL, *Chairman*; and COMMISSIONERS John E. ‘Butch’ HOWARD, Elliott F. ELAM, Jr., Swain E. WHITFIELD, Thomas J. ‘Tom’ ERVIN, Justin T. WILLIAMS, and G. O’Neal HAMILTON

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: —

ADVISOR TO COMMISSION: Joseph Melchers, Esq.
GENERAL COUNSEL

PRESENTING AGENDA: James Spearman, Ph.D.
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO COMMISSIONERS

STAFF PRESENT: Jocelyn G. Boyd, Chief Clerk/Administrator; F. David Butler, Esq., Senior Counsel; B. Randall Dong, Esq., Josh Minges, Esq., and David W. Stark, III, Esq., Legal Advisory Staff; Douglas K. Pratt, Thomas Ellison, and John Powers, Technical Advisory Staff; Janice Schmieding, Clerk’s Staff; Randy Erskine, Information Technology Staff; and Jo Elizabeth M. Wheat, CVR-CM/M-GNSC, Court Reporter.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Please be seated. I want
3 to welcome everyone here to this meeting this
4 afternoon. If you would, please, bow your head for
5 a moment of silence.

6 [Brief pause]

7 Amen.

8 Dr. Spearman.

9 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
10 our first order of business would be to set the
11 next Commission Meeting. Next week, they are going
12 to be working in the hearing room and so it will
13 not be available. Therefore, I propose that we
14 have our next meeting at 2 in the afternoon on
15 Wednesday, August 15th.

16 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** That's good. Everybody?

17 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Yes, sir.

18 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** That day, we'll also
19 officially have a ceremonial swearing-in of our
20 newest Commissioner, Commissioner Williams, who we
21 are glad to have up here with us today.

22 **COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS:** Thank you. Good to be
23 here.

24 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
25 on the Utility Agenda, Item 1, Docket No. 2004-40-
26 C, is the Eighth Amendment to an Interconnection
27 Agreement.

28 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Mr. Chairman.

29 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Commissioner Hamilton.

30 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Mr. Chairman, I'd move
31 that we grant the request for approval of the
32 Eighth Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement

1 between XO Communications Services, LLC, and
2 BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, doing business
3 as AT&T South Carolina. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

4 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Thank you.

5 You've heard Commissioner Hamilton's motion.
6 Are there questions or comments?

7 [No response]

8 If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

9 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

10 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** All opposed, "no"?

11 [No response]

12 The motion carries. Thank you.

13 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
14 Items 2 and 3 in Docket No. 2008-140-A, we have a
15 request for extensions of time: Item 2, Lakewood
16 Utilities, requesting an extension of time until
17 September 1st to file its annual report, and Item
18 3, the request of AAA Utilities for an extension of
19 time until August 30th to file its annual report.

20 **COMMISSIONER HOWARD:** Mr. Chairman.

21 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Commissioner Howard.

22 **COMMISSIONER HOWARD:** Thank you. I move we
23 grant the extensions of time requested in Items 2
24 and 3. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

25 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Thank you.

26 You've heard Commissioner Howard's motion.
27 Are there questions or comments?

28 [No response]

29 If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

30 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

31 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** All opposed, "no"?

32 [No response]

1 The motion carries.

2 **DR. SPEARMAN:** In Item 4, Docket No. 2018-243-
3 A, Stephen Goldie requesting confidential treatment
4 of his personal financial statement.

5 **COMMISSIONER ELAM:** Mr. Chairman?

6 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Commissioner Elam.

7 **COMMISSIONER ELAM:** Mr. Chairman, I move we
8 grant confidential treatment to the personal
9 financial statement of Stephen R. Goldie. Personal
10 Financial Information is entitled to protection
11 under the South Carolina Freedom of Information
12 Act. So moved.

13 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** You've heard Commissioner
14 Elam's motion. Are there any questions or
15 comments?

16 [No response]

17 If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

18 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

19 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** All opposed, "no"?

20 [No response]

21 The motion carries. Thank you.

22 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
23 Items 5, 6, 7, and 8 are requests regarding
24 compressed natural gas agreements. Item 5 in
25 Docket No. 2015-144-G, we have a request from
26 Piedmont for approving the compressed natural gas
27 fuel service termination agreement, a new natural
28 gas fuel purchase agreement, and a request for
29 confidential treatment of the agreements. Item 6,
30 Docket No. 2015-264-G, again, this is Piedmont's
31 request for, again, termination of a compressed
32 natural gas – the original compressed natural gas

1 agreement, the new compressed natural gas
2 agreement, and confidential treatment. This is
3 with J-Rayl Transport. I forgot to mention that in
4 Item 5 it was with the – well, I'm not sure who was
5 Item 5. In Item 7, we have an agreement, again, a
6 compressed natural gas fuel service termination
7 agreement, a new compressed natural gas agreement,
8 and confidential treatment. And Item 8, the same
9 thing.

10 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Mr. Chairman.

11 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Commissioner Hamilton, and
12 before you get on this one, Commissioner Hamilton,
13 I think Item 5 is Sheehy Mail Contractors,
14 Incorporated, and TCW, Incorporated, are the two.

15 **DR. SPEARMAN:** That's correct, and also in
16 Item 8, it's Valley Proteins.

17 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Valley Proteins, okay.
18 Thank you.

19 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Thank you, Mr.
20 Chairman. Mr. Chairman, in Items 5 through 8, as
21 identified by Dr. Spearman and the Chairman, I
22 would move that we grant the requests for approval
23 of Compressed Natural Gas Fuel Services Termination
24 Agreements along with the New Compressed Natural
25 Gas Fuel Purchase Agreements, along with a Request
26 for Confidential Treatment of both the termination
27 and the new fuel purchase agreements in each
28 docket. ORS has no objection. So moved, Mr.
29 Chairman.

30 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** You've heard Commissioner
31 Hamilton's motion. Are there questions or
32 comments?

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[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say “aye”?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, “no”?

[No response]

The motion carries. Thank you.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 9, Docket No. 2018-202-E, South Carolina Solar Business Alliance is requesting a Petition to Intervene.

COMMISSIONER ERVIN: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Ervin.

COMMISSIONER ERVIN: As to Item 9, I would move that we grant the Petition to Intervene filed on behalf of the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance, Incorporated. So moved.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: You’ve heard Commissioner Ervin’s motion. Questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say “aye”?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, “no”?

[No response]

The motion carries. Thank you.

DR. SPEARMAN: In Item 10, again, Docket No. 2018-202-E, we have a Petition to Intervene by Ecoplexus, Incorporated.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Williams. And let’s get your microphone on. Punch that –

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: [Indicating.]

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: There you go.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: All right. Mr.

1 Chairman, I move that we grant the Petition to
2 Intervene filed on behalf of Ecoplexus,
3 Incorporated. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

4 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Thank you.

5 You've heard Commissioner Williams' motion.
6 Questions or comments?

7 [No response]

8 If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

9 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

10 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** All opposed, "no"?

11 [No response]

12 The motion carries.

13 **DR. SPEARMAN:** And Item 11, Docket No. 2017-
14 370-E, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company
15 requesting rehearing or reconsideration of their
16 Petition to Intervene.

17 **COMMISSIONER ERVIN:** Mr. Chairman?

18 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Commissioner Ervin.

19 **COMMISSIONER ERVIN:** It's my understanding the
20 Commission has received a number of filings on this
21 issue of whether Transco should be allowed to
22 intervene in this Docket. Commissioner Williams
23 and I were not on the Commission at the time this
24 issue first arose and, as such, we believe that it
25 is beneficial to us to hear from the parties before
26 this issue is resolved. For that reason, I move
27 that we grant rehearing of this matter and direct
28 staff to set dates for oral arguments. So moved.

29 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** You've heard Commissioner
30 Ervin's motion. Are there questions or comments?

31 [No response]

32 If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

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COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, “no”?

[No response]

The motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 12, three dockets – 2017-207-E, 2017-305-E, and 2017-370-E – these are all the nuclear dockets, consideration of scheduling public witness testimony hearings.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Howard.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD: Thank you. Due to the compressed hearing schedule placed on the Commission and the parties, public testimony will not be taken during the merits hearing starting on November 1st. Therefore, I move that we direct staff to set up public witness night hearings in the Columbia, Aiken, and Charleston areas prior to November 1st. That’s my motion, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Thank you, Commissioner Howard.

You’ve heard Commissioner Howard’s motion. Questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say “aye”?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, “no”?

[No response]

The motion carries. Thank you.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 13, Docket No. 2018-233-E, is the Amended Joint Application of Duke Energy Progress and Duke Energy Carolinas for authority to transfer intercompany assets, approval of

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accounting authority.

COMMISSIONER ERVIN: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Ervin.

COMMISSIONER ERVIN: I move that we grant expedited review and approve authority to transfer intercompany assets, as well as accounting authority. This transfer will result in a more efficient use of the equipment in inventory and reduce inventory costs. For that reason, I move that we grant expedited review and approve the transfer.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Okay. You've heard Commissioner Ervin's motion. Questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

The motion carries. Thank you.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 14, Docket No. 2018-148-C, the Office of Regulatory Staff's Motion for Default Judgment and Order Revoking Certificates for Failure to Answer. This relates to payment of gross receipts.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Whitfield.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD: Mr. Chairman, I move that we grant the Motion for Default Judgment and cancel the hearing scheduled against the telecommunications providers, identified in Exhibit A to the Motion, who have failed to pay their

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Annual Gross Receipts Assessments in compliance with Commission Statute, Sections 58-3-100, 58-3-540, 58-4-60, and 58-9-370 (2015).

I would note also that ORS has filed the affidavit of James M. McDaniel, Program Manager of ORS's Telecommunications Department, attesting to this matter.

So moved, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: You've heard Commissioner Whitfield's motion. Are there questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

The motion carries. Thank you.

DR. SPEARMAN: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, that completes the Utility Agenda.

On the Transportation Agenda, Items 1 through 8 are new Applications: Item 1 is the Application of Yellow Cab of Augusta; Item 2 is the Application of Quality Errands & Personal Care; Item 3 is the Application of Casper Rides; Item 4 is the Application of A&W Travels; Item 5 is the Application of TransitSouth; Item 6 is the Application of Big D's Limo Service; Item 7 is the Application of KW Transportation Logistics; and Item 8 is the Application of SC Express Charleston.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman, in Items

1 1 through 8, as identified by Dr. Spearman, I would
2 move that we approve the new Applications. So
3 moved, Mr. Chairman.

4 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** You've heard Commissioner
5 Hamilton's motion. Are there questions or
6 comments?

7 [No response]

8 If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

9 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

10 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** All opposed, "no"?

11 [No response]

12 The motion carries.

13 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
14 Items 9 and 10 are requests to cancel Certificates.
15 Item 9 is the request of Luella M. Bolton, doing
16 business as BBB Taxi, and Item 10 is the request of
17 Michael King, doing business as Dynamic
18 Transportation Services.

19 **COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS:** Mr. Chairman?

20 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Commissioner Williams.

21 **COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS:** I move that we grant
22 the request of Luella M. Bolton, doing business as
23 BBB Taxi, to Cancel Class C (Taxi) Certificate No.
24 8034. Also, I move that we grant the request of
25 Michael King, doing business as Dynamic
26 Transportation Services, to cancel Class C (Non-
27 Emergency) Certificate No. 9315. So moved, Mr.
28 Chairman.

29 **CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Thank you.

30 You've heard Commissioner Williams' motion.
31 Questions or comments?

32 [No response]

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If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

The motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 11, Docket No. 2018-86-T, Quality Errands & Personal Care is requesting rescission of Commission Order. The company filed the wrong application.

COMMISSIONER ERVIN: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Ervin.

COMMISSIONER ERVIN: I move that we grant the request of Quality Errands & Personal Care, LLC, to rescind Commission Order No. 2018-193, which approved the company's Application for a Class C (Non-Emergency) Certificate. So moved.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: You've heard Commissioner Ervin's motion. Are there questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

The motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 12, Docket No. 2005-250-T, Charleston Transportation Leasing is requesting suspension of its Certificate.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Whitfield.

COMMISSIONER WHITFIELD: Mr. Chairman, I move that we grant the request of Charleston Transportation Leasing, LLC, to suspend Class C

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(Taxi) Certificate No. 7702 until July 23, 2019.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: You've heard Commissioner Whitfield's motion. Questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

Ayes have it.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 13, Docket No. 2018-110-T, Laurens County Taxi Service is requesting an extension of time.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Williams.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMS: I move that we grant Laurens County Taxi Service, LLC's request for an extension of time until September 24, 2018, to comply with Commission Rules and Regulations. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Thank you.

You've heard Commissioner Williams' motion. Any questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

The motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 14, Docket No. 2013-151-T, Danny Shawn Holly, doing business as GSP Limo Service, requesting amendment of Certificate to change the area to be served.

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COMMISSIONER ELAM: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Commissioner Elam.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Mr. Chairman, I move we grant the request of Danny Shawn Holly, d/b/a GSP Limousine Service, to amend Class C (Charter) Certificate No. 8713 to Read "Statewide." So moved.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: You've heard Commissioner Elam's motion. Questions or comments?

[No response]

If not, all in favor, please say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: All opposed, "no"?

[No response]

The motion carries. Thank you.

DR. SPEARMAN: Mr. Chairman, Commissioners, this completes the business agenda for today.

CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Thank you, Dr. Spearman.

Once again, I want to welcome Commissioner Williams to his first meeting, and remind everyone we'll meet again on the 15th. And this meeting is adjourned.

[WHEREUPON, at 2:20 p.m., the proceedings in the above-entitled matter were adjourned.]



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