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COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

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2:00 ~ 2:35 P.M.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Swain E. WHITFIELD, *Chairman*; Comer H. ‘Randy’ RANDALL, *Vice Chairman*; and COMMISSIONERS John E. ‘Butch’ HOWARD, Elliott F. ELAM, Jr., Elizabeth B. ‘Lib’ FLEMING, Robert T. ‘Bob’ BOCKMAN, and G. O’Neal HAMILTON

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: —

ADVISOR TO COMMISSION: F. David Butler, Esq.
SENIOR COUNSEL

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

STAFF PRESENT: B. Randall Dong, Esq., Josh Minges, Esq., and David W. Stark, III, Esq., Legal Advisory Staff; Douglas Pratt and John Powers, Technical Advisory Staff; Janice Schmieding and Patricia Stephens, Clerk’s Staff; and Jo Elizabeth M. Wheat, CVR-CM/M-GNSC, Court Reporter.

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2 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Please be seated. I'll
3 call this Commission Meeting to order and ask that
4 we pause for a moment of silent meditation.

5 [Brief pause]

6 Amen.

7 Dr. Spearman.

8 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
9 the first order of business would be to set the
10 next Commission Meeting. If we stay on our regular
11 schedule, it will be Wednesday, February 28th, at 2
12 in the afternoon.

13 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Sounds good, Dr.
14 Spearman.

15 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,
16 on the Utility Agenda, Item 1, Docket No. 2015-262-
17 C, is a Second Amendment to an Interconnection
18 Agreement.

19 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Mr. Chairman.

20 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Commissioner Hamilton.

21 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Mr. Chairman, I'd move
22 for approval of the Second Amendment to the
23 Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth
24 Telecommunications, LLC, AT&T South Carolina, with
25 Wide Voice, LLC.

26 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you.

27 Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner
28 Hamilton's motion. Is there any discussion?

29 [No response]

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

31 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

32 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Any opposed?

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[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 2, Docket No. 1999-415-C and 2004-97-C, ALEC, LLC, requesting cancellation of its Certificate.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Howard.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD: Thank you. Mr. Chairman, I move we grant the request of ALEC, LLC, to cancel its Certificate. That's my motion, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Howard.

You've heard Commissioner Howard's motion. Is there any discussion?

[No response]

If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Howard's motion, please, say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 3, Docket No. 2018-49-C, St. Stephen Telephone Company is requesting expedited review of Neustar Pooling Administrator's denial of numbering resources.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: One second, Commissioner Elam.

Dr. Spearman, please let the record show there was no opposition in the last item.

Commissioner Elam.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Thank you. Mr. Chairman, on January 30, 2018, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and/or the Pooling Administrator

1 denied the request of TDS Telecom for a full NXX in
2 the 854 Numbering Plan Area in St. Stephen's rate
3 center because TDS did not meet the months-to-
4 exhaust or utilization rate requirements. TDS
5 needs a Local Routing Number in the 854 NPA to
6 transition from a legacy switch to a new state-of-
7 the-art switching system. The requested numbering
8 resources are required to obtain a Local Routing
9 Number. TDS intends to return the new code and all
10 associated number blocks, once the transition is
11 complete and all customers have been migrated to
12 the new switch. Full migration of customers and
13 decommissioning of the legacy switch is expected to
14 be completed within three years of implementation
15 of the new switch. FCC rules allow a state
16 regulatory commission to overturn a denial of
17 requested numbering resources when a carrier has
18 demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering
19 resources. TDS Telecom does not have the numbering
20 resources needed to transition to a state-of-the-
21 art switching system. Therefore, I move that the
22 Commission overturn the decision denying this
23 request for numbering resources, and direct the
24 NANPA/PA to provide the numbering resources
25 requested by TDS Telecom. So moved.

26 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you, Commissioner
27 Elam.

28 Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner
29 Elam's motion. Are there any questions of
30 Commissioner Elam, or is there any discussion
31 regarding his motion?

32 [No response]

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If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Elam's motion, please, say "aye."

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: In Item 4, Docket No. 2008-140-A, Moore Sewer is requesting an extension of time to file its annual report.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Randall.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman, in Docket 2008-140-A, I move that we grant Moore Sewer, Inc.'s request for an extension of time until September 1, 2018, to file its 2017 Wastewater Annual Report. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you.

You've heard Commissioner Randall's motion. Is there any discussion?

[No response]

If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Randall's motion, please, say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

Dr. Spearman.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 5, Docket No. 2017-373-S, Crusader/Mountie, LLC, requesting sale and transfer of its sewer system to Renewable Water Resources.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Randall.

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VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman, in Docket 2017-373-S, having received no intervention or objections, I move that we approve the transfer and sale of sewer assets of Crusader/Mountie LLC – Crusader – to Renewable Water Resources, or ReWa. ReWa is a special-purpose district and a political subdivision organized under the Laws of South Carolina and will charge customers for wastewater services at the current Crusader rates. Crusader shall notify the Commission upon completion of the transaction, at which time Crusader shall be released from all obligations under prior Commission Order. So moved, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Randall.

Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner Randall's motion in this item. Are there any questions regarding his motion?

[No response]

Hearing none, all those in favor of Commissioner Randall's motion, please, say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 6, Docket No. 2016-384-S, this is the Moore Sewer rate case docket. We have a request for a public night hearing.

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Fleming.

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: For Docket No. 2016-384-S, I move to grant the request for a public

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night hearing to be held in Spartanburg County, and to direct Staff to schedule such hearing and the location for that hearing.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you. Thank you, Commissioner Fleming.

Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner Fleming's motion for request for a night hearing in Spartanburg County. Are there any questions of Commissioner Fleming or any discussion regarding her motion?

[No response]

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

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: In Item 7, Docket No. 2017-228-S, the Palmetto Utilities rate case, this is ready for disposition.

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Fleming.

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: In Docket No. 2017-228-WS, Palmetto Utilities sought a rate increase in its original Application which would have resulted in a \$68.05 flat-rate monthly charge for sewer service. The Commission held its hearing on the merits in this docket on January 17, 2018. I have reviewed the evidence presented and the arguments of the parties. After adopting certain accounting adjustments to more accurately reflect the allowable expenses incurred by the company, I move that the Commission approve a flat-rate monthly

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charge for sewer service of approximately \$52.10. This would provide the company with additional revenue of \$4,515,286, resulting in a 15 percent operating margin, which is within the range recommended by the Office of Regulatory Staff.

I would note that the utility has made significant improvements to the system, which will benefit its entire customer base by increasing capacity and reducing or preventing adverse environmental effects. These improvements will have a positive impact on the service area and aid in accommodating projected growth in the area.

It is also important to note that this rate represents a substantially smaller rate increase than that initially requested by the utility. Service to the customers in the flat-rate portion of the company's service area costs \$36.50 per month under existing rates. The new rate requested by the company was \$68.05 per month – a net increase of \$31.55. That was what the company had requested. This proposed rate in this motion represents a net increase of \$15.60, less than half of what was initially requested.

I understand that some customers, because of their low water consumption, will experience somewhat higher charges for sewer service on a flat-rate basis than on the basis of the volume of water they use. However, there is an insufficient evidentiary record upon which to base a preference for volumetric rates over flat rates, particularly where, as here, the volume of water that a customer uses does not necessarily correlate directly with

1 the volume of sewage that a customer causes to be
2 treated and disposed, and where the sewer provider
3 is not the water provider. Additionally, adopting
4 flat rates for the entire service area of the
5 company will result in certain cost savings which
6 will ultimately benefit the customers. On balance,
7 I am persuaded that adopting a flat rate of
8 approximately \$52.10 is just and reasonable.

9 In addition, Section 58-5-240(D) of the South
10 Carolina Code authorizes the Commission to extend
11 the six-month period for issuance of its final
12 order in a rate case by an additional five days
13 when it cannot issue its order within the
14 prescribed time due to circumstances reasonably
15 beyond its control. Due to the compressed time
16 frame in which the Commission must prepare the
17 order, as well as attend to other important
18 matters, I move that we extend the time for issuing
19 the order. Pursuant to Commission Regulation 103-
20 831, which adopts Rule 6 of the South Carolina
21 Rules of Civil Procedure, when the period of time
22 prescribed or allowed is less than seven days,
23 intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays shall
24 be excluded in the computation. Accordingly, the
25 Commission shall issue its final order on or before
26 March 7, 2018. This enlargement of time for
27 issuance of the final order should be memorialized
28 in a separate directive order.

29 Mr. Chairman, this is my motion.

30 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you.

31 You've heard Commissioner Fleming's motion.
32 Are there any questions for Commissioner Fleming at

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this time, or any discussion regarding her motion?

[No response]

Hearing none, Commissioner Fleming, I think in your motion, you acknowledge that – you said more than half – it’s about 60 percent less than the original request. Is that an accurate number?

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: That’s correct.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: All right. Thank you. Any other questions for Commissioner Fleming?

[No response]

If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Fleming’s motion, please, say “aye.”

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 8, Docket No. 2009-272-G, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company is seeking approval of Amendment One to a Gas Agreement.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman, I would move for Amendment One to the Agreement for Transportation Service with Firm Gas Standby between South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and Cintas Corporation. So move, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you.

Commissioners, you’ve heard Commissioner Hamilton’s motion in this item. Are there any questions regarding Commissioner Hamilton’s motion?

[No response]

Hearing none, all those in favor, please, say

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“aye”?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, Items 9, 10, and 11 are Petitions to Intervene in Docket No. 2017-370-E. They can be taken individually or as a group.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Elam.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: I’m going to move that we take them as a group, and move that we approve the Petitions to Intervene in Docket 2017-370-E, of Wal-Mart Stores East and Sam’s East, Incorporated; of the United States Department of Defense and All Other Federal Executive Agencies; and of Lynn Teague. I move we grant each of those three Petitions to Intervene. So moved.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Elam.

You’ve heard Commissioner Elam’s motion regarding Items 9, 10, and 11. Are there any questions of Commissioner Elam, or is there any discussion?

[No response]

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

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners,

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Items 12 and 13 are Petitions to Intervene in Docket No. 2018-2-E. They can be taken individually or as a group.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Randall.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman, I'll do – in Docket 2018-2-E, I move that we grant the Petition to Intervene on behalf of Solbright Energy Solutions and, also, I move that we grant the Petition to Intervene filed on behalf of South Carolina Coastal Conservation League and the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy. So moved.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Randall.

You've heard Commissioner Randall's motion regarding Items 12 and 13. Are there any questions for Commissioner Randall?

[No response]

If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Randall's motion, please, say "aye."

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: In Item 14, Docket No. 2018-41-E, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company is seeking approval to subdivide property and waive the bidding requirements to transfer the property.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Howard.

COMMISSIONER HOWARD: Thank you. Mr. Chairman, I move we approve the subdivision,

1 without engaging in a bid requirement, of a 12.43
2 acre tract of land on Spaniel Lane in Summerville,
3 South Carolina, owned by SCE&G into two parcels: a
4 9.832 acre parcel and a 2.598 acre parcel. SCE&G
5 purchased the property in 2012 for \$37,300 per acre
6 and has agreed to sell the 2.589 acre parcel to
7 Scout Boats for \$134,000. Scout Boats owns the
8 property adjacent to the SCE&G tract and intends to
9 expand its existing operation to add multiple boat
10 models. According to Scout Boats, the planned
11 expansion represents a \$10.9 million capital
12 investment and the creation of 370 new jobs. SCE&G
13 has no future planned or current use for this 2.598
14 acre parcel. Scout Boats is unaffiliated with
15 SCANA or any of its subsidiaries. This transaction
16 will have no impact on SCE&G's retail rates or
17 prices. And that's my motion, Mr. Chairman.

18 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you, Commissioner
19 Howard.

20 Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner
21 Howard's motion, and we've got the layout on the
22 screen, as well. Are there any questions for
23 Commissioner Howard, or any discussion regarding
24 Commissioner Howard's motion?

25 [No response]

26 If not, all those in favor of Commissioner
27 Howard's motion, please, say "aye."

28 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

29 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Any opposed?

30 [No response]

31 Motion carries.

32 **DR. SPEARMAN:** Item 15, Docket No. 2017-370-E,

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South Carolina Electric & Gas Company has withdrawn its Petition for Reconsideration.

COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Bockman.

COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN: Notwithstanding the fact that SCE&G and Dominion Energy have withdrawn their Petition, I'd like to make a motion with respect to this matter, if I might.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Yes, sir, Commissioner Bockman. Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN: Thank you, sir.

By letter dated February 20, 2018, SCE&G and Dominion Energy, Inc., the Joint Petitioners, voluntarily withdrew their Petition for Review, Reconsideration, and Rehearing of the Commission's Order No. 2018-80, which had denied the Joint Petitioners' Motion for Expedited Hearing. Under South Carolina Code Annotated Section 58-3-225(E), a party may withdraw a petition one time as a matter of right, without prejudice.

As grounds for their voluntary withdrawal, the Joint Petitioners referred to the recent amendment of Senate Bill 954, which they state has, quote, "a direct impact on the timing of the consummation of the merger between SCANA Corporation and Dominion Energy...in such a manner as to establish December 21, 2018, as the deadline for the...Commission to issue a final order" in these consolidated dockets.

The effect of the Joint Petitioners' withdrawal is to leave Order No. 2018-80 in full force and effect. In that order, we directed the Commission Staff to develop a procedural schedule

1 generally consistent with the schedule proposed by
2 counsel for Friends of the Earth and the Sierra
3 Club. By taking notice of Senate Bill 954, which
4 provides that the Commission's hearing in these
5 dockets not begin before November 1, 2018, and that
6 the Commission issue its final order by December
7 21, 2018, assuming Senate Bill 954 becomes law, I
8 would move that we amend our Order No. 2018-80 to
9 direct the Staff to develop a procedural schedule
10 which will enable the Commission to conduct this
11 proceeding consistent with the provisions of Senate
12 Bill 954; that is, to set a date for the hearing in
13 this matter to be on or after November 1, 2018, and
14 to set a date for issuance of its final order on or
15 before December 21, 2018. Should Senate Bill 954
16 not become law, the Staff may set the procedural
17 schedule similar to our directive in Order No.
18 2018-80.

19 Mr. Chairman, I so move.

20 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you, Commissioner
21 Bockman.

22 Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner
23 Bockman's motion to amend our Order No. 2818-80.
24 He went over some parts of 2018-80 again, and I
25 think you've heard his amendment to that effect.
26 Are there any questions of Commissioner Bockman,
27 regarding his motion to amend, at this time?

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

29 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Commissioner Hamilton.

30 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Commissioner Bockman,
31 we've heard some matters of concern that this had
32 to be done in six months. The action that was

1 taken by the Senate and our previous Order would
2 null and void this six-month time period.

3 **COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN:** Commissioner Hamilton,
4 that's correct. There was some legal argument with
5 respect to the deadline, whether six months or some
6 other period, and my motion here, should the
7 Commission grant the motion, would, in effect,
8 state our position that the six-month deadline does
9 not apply to any issue in this proceeding.

10 **COMMISSIONER HAMILTON:** Okay. Seeing that
11 this is put to rest, I certainly would favor your
12 motion, sir.

13 **COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN:** Thank you, sir.

14 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you for your
15 question, Commissioner Hamilton. And, Commissioner
16 Bockman, thank you for your answer of his question.
17 Are there any further questions of
18 Commissioner Bockman, regarding his motion, at this
19 time, or any further discussion? Commissioner
20 Fleming.

21 **COMMISSIONER FLEMING:** Yes. I, too,
22 appreciate the motion that you've made, and putting
23 – outlining the schedule that we need to proceed,
24 putting that schedule out there. But it does seem
25 to be a very ambitious timetable. I know, usually,
26 these type of hearings take a considerable amount
27 of time, and then – because I think there are –
28 well, I know there are a number of Intervenors
29 involved in that, and also getting an order out, to
30 do that. I guess, though, if that's what the law
31 is, we will do our best to comply with it?

32 **COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN:** Commissioner Fleming, I

1 could not agree with you more that, if Senate Bill
2 954 becomes law, it will require us to conduct this
3 proceeding in a manner that is – for you to say
4 “very ambitious,” I would say that’s an
5 understatement. For the Commission to begin its
6 hearing, say, on November 1st, to conduct what will
7 be an extensive hearing, to allow the parties at
8 the conclusion of evidence sufficient time to
9 prepare and submit to us proposed orders, for the
10 Commission to deliberate on this matter, and then
11 for the Commission to prepare its final order and
12 issue that, all between November 1st and December
13 21st, will be a tall order – let me put it that way
14 – for this Commission, Commissioner Fleming. And
15 it will require, I think, all parties to be
16 considerate of that particular schedule in the
17 conduct of this proceeding.

18 **COMMISSIONER FLEMING:** Because it’s really
19 shortening the time to –

20 **COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN:** Yes, it does.
21 Normally, the Commission would probably not have –
22 you know, what is that, six or seven weeks to
23 conduct this form of proceeding? It probably would
24 have – it would probably set a schedule that might
25 be, you know, two months, or so. Which is one
26 reason why I suggest in this motion that, if Senate
27 Bill 954 does not become law, then basically we
28 would revert back to a schedule that the Staff
29 would set, which would give all the parties and the
30 Commission additional time or more time than what
31 is provided in Senate Bill 954.

32 **COMMISSIONER FLEMING:** Okay, thank you.

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CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Fleming.

Commissioner Elam.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Commissioner Bockman may have just answered my question, but, in the event 954 does not pass, you're saying the Commission has the flexibility to set a schedule that we believe is warranted, even if it goes beyond December 21st?

COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN: I would agree with that statement, yes.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any further questions for Commissioner Bockman in this matter?

[No response]

Commissioner Bockman, I would also share I think the concern is not the later date of the case itself but the concern is holding a hearing between November 1 and producing a final order by December 21. I would maybe ask a little bit of the question in reverse, maybe, that Commissioner Elam just asked: If S.954 did not become law and, conversely, we could possibly push the case up earlier than November 1, slightly, instead of exceeding the December 21 – there are other options, other than just exceeding the final order deadline.

COMMISSIONER BOCKMAN: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I do think the Commission and Staff would have flexibility to set a procedural schedule that would permit more time and even to meet – that could conceivably meet a deadline of December 21st, but give all the parties and the Commission more time to conduct this proceeding in a fair manner.

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CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Well, thank you. Thank you, Commissioner Bockman.

Commissioners, anything further for Commissioner Bockman?

[No response]

If not, I think some concerns and questions have been discussed and answered. If there aren't any further questions of Commissioner Bockman or no further discussion, Commissioners, all those in favor of Commissioner Bockman's motion to amend, his motion as he stated it, at this time, please say "aye."

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

Dr. Spearman.

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

On the Transportation Agenda, Items 1 through 10 are Applications for Class C Certificates. We can take them separately or together.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: I will entertain a motion at this time.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. –

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman?

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: – Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Randall, I think I heard you first. Go ahead, sir.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: I'll ask that we do them all together. I move that we approve or grant the Applications for Class C (Non-Emergency)

1 Certificates for Metro Home Care, LLC, in 2018-46-
2 T; the Application of Brian S. Konradt, doing
3 business as A2B NEMT; also for the Application for
4 Kostandin Laska; also, the Application for Andrea
5 L. Bishop; the Application for L&H Transportation
6 Services, LLC; the Application for Robert Mitchell;
7 the Application for Gold Cross EMS, Inc., one non-
8 emergency and one for a stretcher van; and the
9 Application for Wave Express, LLC; and also for RTC
10 Transport, LLC, all for Class C (Non-Emergency)
11 Certificates. So move, Mr. Chairman.

12 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Thank you, Commissioner
13 Randall. Commissioner Randall, did you mean to
14 include Item 2018-46-T, Item 1? I don't think we
15 heard that one.

16 **VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Which one was that?

17 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** The very first item.

18 **VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** The very first?

19 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Metro Home Care – I'm
20 sorry, did you say that?

21 **VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Yeah.

22 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Okay.

23 **VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL:** Metro Home Care, LLC.
24 Sorry, if I didn't say it.

25 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Well, I'm now being told
26 you did, so – Commissioners, you've heard
27 Commissioner Randall's motion. All those in favor
28 of Commissioner Randall's motion, please, say
29 "aye."

30 **COMMISSIONERS:** Aye.

31 **CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD:** Any discussion – I mean,
32 excuse me – any opposed?

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[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 11, Docket No. 2017-319-T, Hilton Head Hauling Junk and Moving's Application for a Class E Certificate.

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Fleming.

COMMISSIONER FLEMING: In Docket No. 2017-319-T, I move that we approve Hilton Head Hauling Junk and Moving, LLC, doing business as College Hunks Hauling Junk and Moving, for a Class E (Household Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you.

You've heard Commissioner Fleming's motion. Is there any discussion?

[No response]

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

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

[Please Note: Chairman Whitfield cast no vote in this matter due to his not being present at the hearing held therein.]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Item 12, Docket No. 2005-18-T, Green's Travel Coach is requesting cancellation of its Certificate.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Elam.

COMMISSIONER ELAM: Mr. Chairman, I move that we grant the request of Green's Travel Coach, LLC,

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to cancel Class C Charter Bus Certificate No. 0188.
So move.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you.

You've heard Commissioner Elam's motion. Is there any discussion?

[No response]

If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Elam's motion, please, say "aye"?

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, Items 13, 14, and 15 are requests for extensions of time. We can take those as a group or individually.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Randall.

VICE CHAIRMAN RANDALL: Mr. Chairman, I move we take these as a group. I would move that we grant the request for Mauricio Rodriguez, doing business as Rodriguez Transport, for a 60-day extension of time until April 21, 2018, to comply with Commission Rules and Regulations; also, move we grant the request of Roosevelt Taxi, LLC, for an extension of time until May 1, 2018, to comply with Commission Rules and Regulations; and, also, move that we grant the request of Olisha Thompson, doing business as O&C Transport Service, for an extension of time until March 30, 2018, to comply with Commission Rules and Regulations. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

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CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Randall.

Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner Randall's motion to take Items 13, 14, and 15 together, along with the corresponding extensions of time to each corresponding item. Are there any questions or any discussion regarding Commissioner Randall's motion in Items 13, 14, and 15?

[No response]

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

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: In Item 16, Docket No. 2018-17-T, Caromar Transportation no longer desires to provide Class E Certificate service, and is requesting rescission of Commission Order.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Commissioner Hamilton.

COMMISSIONER HAMILTON: Mr. Chairman, I would move that we grant the request of Caromar Transportation, LLC, doing business as Southeast Transportation Services, to amend the Commission Order No. 2018-37, which approved the company's Application for a Class C (Charter) Certificate. The company no longer is going to provide such transportation. So moved, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Commissioner Hamilton.

Commissioners, you've heard Commissioner Hamilton's motion. Is there any discussion?

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[No response]

If not, all those in favor of Commissioner Hamilton's motion, please, say "aye."

COMMISSIONERS: Aye.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Any opposed?

[No response]

Motion carries.

DR. SPEARMAN: Mr. Chairman and Commissioners, this completes the agenda for today. I will call your attention to the fact that we do have a hearing following this meeting.

CHAIRMAN WHITFIELD: Thank you, Dr. Spearman.

At this time, I would remind Commissioners that, of course, we do have the hearing in just a few minutes. We're going to take a brief break just to get set up for that hearing, and we'll start that up in just a few minutes.

Meeting adjourned.

[WHEREUPON, at 2:36 p.m., the proceedings in the above-entitled matter were adjourned.]



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