## Minutes of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission State of Oklahoma

#### June 13, 2024 – 1:30 p.m.

These are the minutes for the Corporation Commission's ("Commission") regular meeting conducted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act on June 13, 2024, in the Concourse Theater, Suite C50, Will Rogers Memorial Office Building, 2401 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. Archived Commission meeting recordings may be accessed on the Commission's website.

The notice and agenda for the meeting were publicly posted at the principal office of the Commission at the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building, 2401 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 at 10:30 a.m., June 11, 2024, by Commission employees acting under the direction of Chairman J. Todd Hiett. The notice and agenda are also made available to the public on the Commission's website, oklahoma.gov/occ. A copy of the notice and agenda is attached to these minutes as Appendix A.

Chairman Hiett called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Members present were Chairman Todd Hiett, Vice Chairman Kim David, and Commissioner Bob Anthony. A quorum of the Commission was present. Interested persons participated in the meeting in person or by teleconference/videoconference when and as authorized.

**Recognition of the 2023-2024 Leadership OCC graduates** Commissioner Hiett announced the agenda item and recognized Brandy Wreath, director of administration, to present this agenda item. Mr. Wreath offered a brief history and overview of the Leadership OCC program and recognized each of the graduates of the 2023-2024 Leadership OCC program. A list of the 2023-2024 Leadership OCC graduates is attached to these minutes as Appendix B.

Consideration of proposed or potential orders in cases on attached 24-hour signing agenda docket. The Commission may discuss and consider alterations, revisions, or amendments to the proposed or potential orders. (Votes may be taken on individual cases on the 24-hour signing agenda docket as a whole, or both by individual cases and the remaining docket.) Commissioner Hiett announced the agenda item. The Commissioners unanimously approved the proposed orders.

## Submitted by Corporation Commissioner Bob Anthony:

Discussion of the Oklahoma Universal Service Fund ("OUSF"), including the history, public policy, overview of the program, status, trends, funding, collections and disbursements, the connections-based assessment factor, accounting and auditing, information technology systems related to the fund, and third-party administrators Commissioner Hiett announced agenda items IV and V, and deferred to Commissioner Anthony to present these agenda items.

Commissioner Anthony recognized Mark Argenbright, director of the Public Utility Division, to provide a history and overview of the Oklahoma Universal Service Fund ("OUSF"). Discussion was held.

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**Phase 5 – Public Utility Division** 

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Administrator Rhodes: Yes, Commissioner.

Administrator Rhodes: I think the good component of this is the platforms - the I.T., the computer language – that these have been built on, are the most modern, up-to-date platforms. That was done, obviously, to be the most modern and up-to-date, but it also creates a larger pool of trained individuals in that field who have the ability to come in and work on those platforms. Unlike – I'll go back to the recesses of my history – something like COBOL or a mainframe computer system in a language that has become obsolete. ... We also have our planning documents which very carefully explain the needs and how to get from A to B. That's our map to address our business needs in a particular division or department. ... Will there be a learning curve for anyone new coming in? Sure. There will be. All of those, however, put us in good position to shorten any transition to new personnel.

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Administrator Rhodes: I agree completely.

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**Commissioner Anthony: That's done electronically these days, right?** 

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**Commissioner Anthony: What's the name of that system?** 

Administrator Wreath: Oracle

Discussion, questions and possible hearing regarding PUD Fee Assessment, including, but not limited to, data request, data response, invoicing and payment processes, procedures and systems Commissioner Anthony presented this agenda item, and recognized Brandy Wreath, director of administration, to provide a status update of the agency's technology information systems. Discussion was held.

New Business There was no new business.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.



ATTESTED this 23rd day of July 2024.

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Garey L. Wortham, Commission Secretary

# OKLAHOMA CORPORATION COMMISSION Notice of Public Meeting Regular Meeting

Notice is hereby given to all persons that the Oklahoma Corporation Commission ("Commission") shall meet and conduct business, as follows:

Time, Day, and Date:	1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 13, 2024
Place:	Concourse Theater, Suite C50, Will Rogers Memorial Office Building, 2401 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105
	The Concourse Theater is located in the tunnel between the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building and the Sequoyah Memorial Office Building in the Capitol Complex
Purpose:	Conducting of daily business enumerated in the items below
Posting Division:	Chairman J. Todd Hiett

# AGENDA

Item	Торіс	
Ι	<ul><li>A. Call to order</li><li>B. Announcement concerning public notice</li><li>C. Determination of quorum</li></ul>	
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VI	New business	
	<ul><li>A. Any matter not known about and which could not have been reasonably foreseen 24 hours before the meeting</li><li>B. Possible vote(s) on matters of new business</li></ul>	
VII	Adjournment	

The Commission may take up the above items of business in a different sequence than that listed.

The meeting is open to the public.

This notice was posted prominently and publicly at the principal offices of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission at the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building, 2401 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105 at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 11, 2024.



#### OMA before the corporation commission of the state of OKLAHOMA 24 HR SIGNING AGENDA (PROPOSED ORDERS)

Date: Thursday, June 13, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM

Order Type Final

Place: CONCOURSE THEATER - WILL ROGERS THEATER

RSO OKC

Case Number PUD2024-000007

Parties ARKANSAS OKLAHOMA GAS CORPORATION (Applicant)

Order Title FINAL ORDER

**Relief In Caption** APPLICATION OF ARKANSAS OKLAHOMA GAS CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL CONTRACT TO PROVIDE NATURAL GAS UTILITY SERVICES TO U.S. LIME COMPANY

# APPENDIX B

#### Oklahoma Corporation Commission

#### OCC Leadership 2023-2024 Graduating Class

- 1. Kyndel Leatherock- AJLS
- 2. Brandon Godwin- Transportation
- 3. Colin Brooks- Oil and Gas
- 4. Westen Vincent- Transportation
- 5. Christopher Furr- Transportation
- 6. Justin Mathis- Oil and Gas
- 7. Marsha Moore- Transportation
- 8. Justin Eubanks- PST
- 9. Jesse Pineda- AJLS
- 10. April Smart- AJLS
- 11. Brock Stuber- PST
- 12. Shana Swirin-Miles- Oil and Gas
- 13. Hannah Hubler- PUD
- 14. Brooke Burnett- AJLS
- 15. Sunni Mitchell- Transportation
- 16. Julie Johnson- Transportation
- 17. Megan Cova- Oil and Gas
- 18. Billy Anglin- Transportation PLS
- 19. Angie Huffaker- AJLS