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6/18/2014**

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THE STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY
BEFORE THE NEVADA STATE DAIRY COMMISSION

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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS
PUBLIC MEETING
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9:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014
BEING HELD AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
405 SOUTH 21ST STREET
SPARKS, NEVADA

APPEARANCES:

- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: CHRISTOPHER COOK, Chairman
JOHN COLLIER, Commissioner
TROY CROWTHER, Commissioner
(Appeared via videoconference)
TOM ORZECH, Operations Manager
COLLEEN PLATT, Counsel
KATHY EASLY, Staff Secretary
KIMBERLY WHITFIELD, Auditor
(Appeared via videoconference)

Reported By: Leslie R. Rosenthal, CCR #819

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2 RENO, NEVADA, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014, 9:00 A.M.

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4 (This meeting is held concurrently in Reno and
5 Las Vegas via videoconferencing.) 08:51AM

6 MR. COOK: Let us convene the June 2014 meeting
7 of the Nevada State Dairy Commission.

8 Mr. Orzech, would you open the meeting, please?

9 MR. ORZECH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

10 This is the time and place set for a regularly 09:00AM
11 scheduled meeting of the Nevada State Dairy Commission
12 for the month of June 2014.

13 This meeting has been scheduled and noticed in
14 compliance with the pertinent statutes, including the
15 open meeting law. 09:00AM

16 A copy of the agenda has been handed to the
17 court reporter, with the request that it be made part of
18 the official transcript of these proceedings.

19 My name is Tom Orzech, the operations manager
20 for the Nevada State Dairy Commission.

21 Present today are Mr. Christopher Cook,
22 chairman, Mr. Troy G. Crowther, member of the
23 commission, John Collier, member of the commission.

24 Those who present statements or evidence to the
25 commission during this meeting are requested to first be 09:01AM

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1 acknowledged by the chairman, and to identify themselves
2 for the record.

3 MR. COOK: Would you proceed to the first
4 agenda item, please?

5 MR. ORZECK: Agenda Item Number 1 is public 09:01AM
6 comments and discussion.

7 MR. COOK: Anybody from the public want to
8 comment?

9 Do we want to have discussions on any comments?

10 No? Then lets move to Number 2, please. 09:01AM

11 MR. ORZECK: Agenda Item Number 2 for possible
12 action is approval of the minutes for the May 14, 2014
13 Dairy Commission meeting, and a copy of the changes has
14 been handed to each member for viewing.

15 MR. COOK: Okay. We'll entertain a motion on 09:01AM
16 adopting the minutes from the prior meeting.

17 MR. COLLIER: Mr. Chairman, I move that we
18 adopt the meetings for the minutes from the prior
19 meeting as corrected, and with any of the appropriate
20 corrections. 09:02AM

21 MR. CROWTHER: Second.

22 MR. COOK: There being a motion and a second,
23 and there's no descending votes, the motion carries, and
24 the minutes are adopted.

25 MR. ORZECK: Agenda Item Number 3 is a staff 09:02AM

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1 report, the Dairy Commission report for June 2014.

2 The Class 1 milk prices are continuing to lower
3 from the record high. The milk fee ratio continues to
4 decline from the high in February of 2.60, to the
5 current level of 2.28. 09:02AM

6 The current agency reserve is \$314,796, and
7 that concludes the report.

8 MR. COOK: Any questions or comments from the
9 commissioners?

10 None? 09:02AM

11 MR. CROWTHER: None.

12 MR. COLLIER: I have none.

13 MR. COOK: Then let's proceed to the next item.

14 MR. ORZECK: Agenda Item Number 4 is
15 consideration of any other matters relating to the dairy 09:02AM
16 industry.

17 MR. COOK: Any other matters that need to be
18 brought up?

19 None? Let's go to Number 5.

20 MR. ORZECK: Agenda Item Number 5 is public 09:03AM
21 comments and discussion.

22 MR. COOK: And unless public has joined us
23 since we opened this meeting five minutes ago -- no two
24 minutes ago - three minutes ago, then I guess we have no
25 public comments. 09:03AM

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1 Anybody down there want to say anything? Troy?

2 MR. CROWTHER: Well, can we get our mechanical

3 cow?

4 MR. ORZECK: I don't know if it's been -- I

5 think it's been ordered, I don't -- it's not in yet. 09:03AM

6 MR. COOK: You want to be the first one to milk

7 it?

8 MR. CROWTHER: Sure. I'd love that.

9 MR. COOK: That might call for a trip up here

10 for you to inspect the cow after it arrives. 09:04AM

11 MR. CROWTHER: Hey, how's -- speaking of -- how

12 is the power plant, is it fully operational now?

13 MR. ORZECK: I don't know if it's fully

14 operational, but it is operating and putting off

15 product. 09:04AM

16 MR. CROWTHER: Okay. Do we know -- it seemed

17 like when we went on that tour we found out that in

18 order for them to be really cost effective, they have to

19 be 80 percent utilized -- have 80 percent utilization,

20 do you know if they're there yet? 09:04AM

21 MR. ORZECK: I don't know that.

22 MR. COOK: Any other comments or questions?

23 Staff? Commissioners? Since there's no public here, we

24 don't have to worry about that.

25 Okay. Meeting adjourned. 09:04AM

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BOARD SIGNATURE PAGE

CHRISTOPHER COOK, CHAIRMAN

JOHN COLLIER, MEMBER

TROY CROWTHER, MEMBER

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1 STATE OF NEVADA)
2) ss.
3 COUNTY OF WASHOE)
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5 I, LESLIE R. ROSENTHAL, Certified Court
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14 my knowledge, skill and ability.

15 I further certify that I am not a relative nor
16 an employee of any attorney or any of the parties, nor
17 am I financially or otherwise interested in this action.

18 I declare under penalty of perjury under the
19 laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing
20 statements are true and correct.

21 Dated this 26th day of June, 2014.

22 /s/ Leslie R. Rosenthal
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