

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE STIPULATION AND)
SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN)
MCINTOSH-WATAUGA EQUITY AND PUC)
STAFF)
)

ORDER APPROVING
SETTLEMENT
STIPULATION

GW18-002

On September 17, 2018, a PUC Warehouse Staff filed a Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement. In the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement, both Commission staff (staff) and McIntosh-Watauga Equity (Company) agree that the Company did not timely renew its grain buyer and grain warehouse licenses and subsequently took in sixty loads of grain without the required licenses. Staff and the Company have agreed to a \$2,000 fine.

In the Agreement, the parties stipulated to a penalty of \$2,000 for the violation of SDCL 49-43-4.2 and of SDCL 49-45-1.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of October 16, 2018, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 49-43 and 49-45. The Commission voted unanimously to grant the Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement is hereby granted, and the Company shall pay a fine of \$2,000.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 22nd day of October 2018.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically.
By: <u>Adam de Hueck</u>
Date: <u>10/22/18</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner