



ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSMISSION COMMITTEE

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- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the [minutes of the April 10, 2024, meeting](#)
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Darcy Neigum, Vice President, Electric Supply, MDU Resources Group Inc., regarding electric utility rates
- 9:25 a.m. [Presentation](#) of a [report](#) from the Bank of North Dakota on the Bank's findings and recommendations for environmental, social, and governance trends, laws, and policies that impact businesses and industries in the state, by:
- Mr. Kelvin Hullett, Chief Business Development Officer, Bank of North Dakota
 - Senator Dale Patten, Watford City
 - Representative Alisa Mitskog, Wahpeton
 - Representative Anna S. Novak, Hazen
 - Mr. Blu Hulsey, Senior Vice President, Government Relations and Regulatory Affairs, Continental Resources
 - Mr. Jon Godfread, Insurance Commissioner
 - Mr. Thomas Beadle, State Treasurer
- 11:05 a.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Claire Vigesaa, Executive Director, North Dakota Transmission Authority, and Mr. Reice Haase, Deputy Director, Industrial Commission, regarding the Environmental Protection Agency's final carbon rule
- 11:40 a.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Jason Weiers, Transmission Project Development Manager, Otter Tail Power, regarding an update on the JETx transmission line
- 12:00 noon Recess
- 1:00 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Randy Christmann, Public Service Commissioner, regarding electric utility rates
- 1:30 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Charles Gorecki, Chief Executive Officer, Energy and Environmental Research Center, regarding an overview and update on the Energy and Environmental Research Center

- 2:15 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Tom Erickson, Chief Operations Officer and Vice President for Intellectual Property, Energy and Environmental Research Center, of a report from the State Energy Research Center providing an update on the State Energy Research Center's activities and accomplishments
- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 3:00 p.m. [Presentations](#) by Mr. Brian Kalk, Chief Research Officer, Energy and Environmental Research Center, of reports from the State Energy Research Center and Energy and Environmental Research Center regarding:
- The status and results of the State Energy Research Center's salt cavern underground energy storage and research project
 - The State Energy Research Center's study of prospective in-state resources of economically feasible accumulations of critical minerals
 - The status of the Energy and Environmental Research Center's study of future lignite electrical generation facilities
- 3:50 p.m. Public comments
- 4:00 p.m. Recess for the following day's Energizing North Dakota's Future summit
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- 8:30 a.m. Energizing North Dakota's Future summit
- 12:00 noon Adjourn

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.ndlegis.gov>.

Committee Members

Senators: David Hogue (Chairman), Brad Bekkedahl, Keith Boehm, Ryan Braunberger, Dale Patten, Merrill Piepkorn

Representatives: Dick Anderson, Mike Brandenburg, Alisa Mitskog, Corey Mock, Todd Porter, Don Vigesaa

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