SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In the Matter of the Commission, |) | Docket No. MODF-18 |
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| on its own motion, seeking to |) | |
| determine the seal fee amount |) | |
| for the Modular Housing Program. |) | ORDER SETTING SEAL FEE |
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| |) | Entered: November 6, 2024 |

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 20, 2024, the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") entered an Order opening the above-captioned docket to determine the appropriate seal fee for the Modular Housing Program and to set a hearing. Notice of the hearing was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 26, 2024.

Public hearing on this matter was held on October 8, 2024, in the Commission Hearing Room and via Webex. The hearing was held jointly with hearings in Dockets MANF-17 and RVF-18. Mr. Jonathan Smith appeared on behalf of Commission staff. No other appearances were entered.

EVIDENCE

Steve Kelso, Director of the Commission's Housing and Recreational Vehicle Department, testified on behalf of Commission staff. Mr. Kelso provided information on current fees for the Manufactured Home Program, Modular Housing Program, and Recreational Vehicle Program. Mr. Kelso recommended that the current fee amounts for all three programs remain unchanged at their current amounts.¹

Following Mr. Kelso's testimony, Mr. Kevin Stephens, Quality Manager for Champion Home Builders, Inc., was given the opportunity to make a public comment before the Commission. Mr. Stephens stated his support for the Commission's Housing and Recreational Vehicle Department as well as Mr. Kelso's recommendations. No additional testimony or public comment was received, and the hearing was adjourned.

¹ Hearing Transcript at 7:12-9:09.

² *Id.* at 15:10-19.

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OPINION AND FINDINGS

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 71-1559(4) requires the Commission to hold an annual hearing to determine the amount of the seal fee and new manufacturer plan review fee to carry out the provisions of the Modular Housing Program pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Standards for Modular Housing Units Act.³ The seal fees are subject to a statutory minimum of \$100 and a maximum of \$1,000 per modular housing unit. Fees are remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Public Service Commission Housing and Recreational Vehicles Cash Fund.

Based upon the testimony of Commission staff and the support of all interested parties participating in the hearing, the Commission finds that the seal fee for the Modular Housing Program should remain at \$0.19 per square foot of gross space per modular housing unit, subject to statutory minimum and maximum amounts. Additionally, the new manufacturer plan review fee should remain at \$1,800. Fees are effective December 1, 2024.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that, pursuant to the Uniform Standards for Modular Housing Units Act, the Modular Housing Program seal fee should remain at \$0.19 per square foot of gross space per modular housing unit, and the new manufacturer plan review fee should remain at \$1,800, effective December 1, 2024.

 $^{^{3}}$ Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 71-1555 to 71-1568.01.

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ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 6th day of November, 2024.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST

Executive Director