

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 10-08-17**

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For Work Week Commencing: August 16, 2010
Commission Meeting: August 17, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's agenda for the work week designated. In the latter part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://psc.mt.gov>.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Kate)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of August 9, 2010

2. Central Montana Communications N2010.8.80 (Scott)

On August 2, 2010, Central Montana Communications (CMC) requested to modify its tariffs. In this filing CMC is requesting to change assessment of Supplementary Services Charge and CLASS feature to when the service is discontinued rather than when the subscriber requests the service. When Order No. 6524b was issued in Docket D2002.10.132 the Commission required that subscribers were allowed to change their local service option at no charge for the first ninety days after implementation of the EAS areas. Probable Motion: Approve CMC request in Docket N2010.8.80.

3. Qwest Corporation. D2010.5.53 (Gary)

Qwest Corporation/Neutral Tandem, Inc. – Qwest has filed with this Commission an amendment to the proposed interconnection agreement (see work session agenda below) between the parties in Docket No. D2010.5.53. The amendment is a Four Party Transit Traffic amendment. The amendment was voluntarily negotiated by the parties involved. Probable Motion: Move to approve the interconnection agreement amendment between Qwest Corporation and Neutral Tandem, Inc. in Docket No. D2010.5.53.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2010.5.53 – Qwest Corporation and Neutral Tandem, Inc. – Application for Approval of Wireline Interconnection Agreement – Discuss and act on the agreement. (8/17/10)
2. D2010.5.55 – Qwest Communications International, Inc. and CenturyLink, Inc. – Joint Application for Approval of Indirect Transfer of Control of Qwest Corporation, Qwest Communications Company, LLC and Qwest LD Corp. – Consider and rule on both CenturyLink's and Qwest's Motion for Supplemental Protective Order. (8/17/10)

3. PSC Initiated – Passenger Carriers – Discuss and act on temporary moratorium of splitting passenger carrier operating authorities. (8/17/10)
4. ETIC & EQC bill drafts – Discuss/act on draft comments. (8/17/10)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Any person wanting a copy of a protective order request should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be obtained by calling the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

1. NorthWestern Corporation N2010.6.57 (A)

On August 6, 2010, the Commission issued Order 7101 granting NorthWestern Corporation's (NorthWestern) motion for a protective order for its "business strategy for future market purchases," including information that "details specific percentages of forecasted electric supply that will be purchased," "the timelines on which the purchases are to occur," and the "trigger points at which NWE proposes to purchase supply in corresponding percentages for future delivery."

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

1. **Qwest Corporation Multi-State and Individual Case Basis Agreement**

Any qualified person who signs a non-disclosure agreement pursuant to the term protective Order No. 6999 in Docket No. D2009.5.60 may review the following agreement at the Commission's offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, MT 59601, or at Qwest's office, 441 North Park Avenue, Helena, MT 59601. If any interested party has reason to believe that Qwest's prices are below relevant costs in the agreement, the interested party may file an objection with the Commission within 30 days of the date of this notice (please see Qwest Alternative Form of Regulation (AFOR) Docket No. D2008.1.6, Order No. 6889n, Joint Stipulation).

1.) Qwest Corporation/Lithia Motors, Inc. – Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Lithia Motors, Inc. (Lithia) have signed a multi-state agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Lithia.

2.) Qwest Corporation/Boise Cascade, LLC – Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Boise Cascade, LLC have signed a multi-state agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Boise Cascade.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2010.8.81 – Qwest Corporation and Unite Private Networks, LLC – Application for Approval of Wireline Interconnection Agreement

D2010.8.82 – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. – Application for Authority to Establish Increased Rates for Electric Service