

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 11-05-24**

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For Work Week Commencing: May 23, 2011

Commission Meeting: May 24, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

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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 May 2, 2011

2. Bowker Sanitation LLP TN2502 (Eric D.)

Allen Charles Bowker and Melanie Jean Bowker dba Bowker Sanitation LLP, Culbertson, Montana, PSC No. 5039, has submitted a 2010 Annual Report with a verified statement in lieu of intrastate garbage operations, as required by 38.3.1205 MCA. Due to the location of the closest landfill, the solid waste they are hauling is taken into North Dakota for disposal making the moves interstate in nature. Probable Motion: Approve the verified statement in lieu of intrastate garbage operations.

3. American Medical Response, Inc. T-11.11.RB (Eric D.)

On April 22, 2011 American Medical Response, Inc., Billings, Montana, filed for rate increases and changes to its tariff covering passenger operations under PSC No. 8996. The increases are between 5.45% and 5.58%. The company is amending its waiting time which results in rate reductions and it is introducing an off hour charge of \$25 as a new item. The rate changes were noticed to the public on April 25, 2011, and no protests were received. Probable Motion: Approve the rate changes as applied for in T-11.11.RB.

Sub A Class B - Handicapped persons, convalescents, and wheelchair patients, between all points and places in Yellowstone, Carbon, Stillwater, Big Horn and Musselshell Counties, Montana. Limitations: All transportation must originate or terminate in Yellowstone County.

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

1. D2010.9.98 – Treeline Springs – General rate increase – Act on final order. (5/24/11)
2. D2011.4.32 – Cut Bank Gas – Application for Approval to True-up and Make Final 2010 Gas Costs and Recover the Under-Collection – Discuss and act on interim order. (5/24/11)

3. D2011.4.33 – NorthWestern Energy/Townsend Propane – Application for propane supply cost account balance and rate adjustment for Townsend Propane – Act on interim order. (5/24/11)
4. N2011.1.1 – Electric City Power, Inc. (ECP) – Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) compliance year 2010 – Discuss and act on whether to grant ECP's request for a short-term waiver from full compliance with the RPS. (5/24/11)
5. Commissioner Molnar – Request call information from Commissioner Gutsche's and Commissioner Kavulla's cell phones from the work session lunch break 4-15-2011 and Commissioner Gutsche's cell phone from the recess 2 hours and 17 minutes into the 4-26-2011 work session. (5/24/11)

Other Meetings

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

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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. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

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 viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2011.5.40 - NorthWestern Energy - Complaint of John Claypool dba Madison Laundry and Cleaners Inc vs. NorthWestern Energy