

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 13-07-30**

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For Work Week Commencing: July 29, 2013

Commission Meeting: July 30, 2013, 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 (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of July 15, 2013

2. Black Hills Corporation D2013.6.50 (Eric)

On June 19, 2013, BHP filed a Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider application. A Notice of Opportunity for Public Hearing was issued on June 20, 2013. Requests for hearing were due by July 22, 2013. No requests have been received. This application will increase revenues by \$96,025 over the base cost of fuel approved in Docket No. 83.4.25. A default order has been drafted. Probable motion: Grant BHP's Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider application.

3. Big Sky Transfer and Storage, Inc. T-13.13.ST (Nickie)

On June 12, 2013 Big Sky Transfer and Storage, Inc., Ulm, Montana filed an application to transfer PSC No. 2406 to Mergenthaler Transfer & Storage Co., Helena, Montana. The application was noticed to the public on July 2, 2013 and no protests were received. Probable motion: Approve the transfer of PSC No. 2406 to Mergenthaler Transfer & Storage Co.

Class C - General merchandise within the City of Glendive, Montana and to or from points tributary thereto, but within a distance not exceeding five miles in any direction of said city. Limitation: Transportation of ashes, trash, waste, refuse, rubbish and garbage is prohibited.

SUB A Class B - Household goods (as defined by Commission) to and from all points and places within the State of Montana.

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

1. D2011.1.5 and D2012.1.2 – Cut Bank Gas Company – Application for Annual True-up of Gas Costs – Consolidation of the two gas tracker filings. (7/30/13)
2. D2013.1.5 and D2013.7.55 – Energy West Montana, Inc. – Application for Approval of the Reconciliation of its Universal Systems Benefits Account – Consolidation of the two USB tracker filings. (7/30/13)
3. D2010.6.60 – North Star Planned Unit Development – Application for authority to increase rates and charges for water and sewer service – Discuss and act on North Star’s motion to modify PSC Order No. 7105(b) extending the deadline to file for permanent rates. (7/30/13)
4. D2013.6.45 – Phillips 66 Pipeline LLC – Montana Tariff 3.3 cancelling Tariff 3.2 – Act on Default Order. (7/30/13)
5. D2013.6.46 – Phillips 66 Pipeline LLC - Montana Tariff 4.3 cancelling Tariff 4.2 – Act on Default Order. (7/30/13)
6. D2013.6.48 – Yellowstone Pipeline Company – Montana Tariff 49.2 cancelling Tariff 49.3 – Act on Default Order. (7/30/13)
7. D2013.6.52 – Yellowstone Pipeline Company – Montana Tariff 48.1 cancelling Tariff 48.0 Act on Default Order. (7/30/13)
8. N2013.4.29 – Commission Initiated – USB Investigation – Discuss memo of summarized comments in general and on eight specific issues pertaining to USB policy changes that the Commission might consider. (7/30/13)

Other Meetings

7/31/13 – 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – NRRI Telesminar, “A Discussion of State and Utility Solar Energy Programs and Some Recommended Approaches for Growing Solar Energy Markets” (Commission Conference Room – no web audio feed)

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. 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

D2013.7.53 - NorthWestern Energy - Monthly Electric Supply Cost Rate Adjustment for the Period August 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014

D2013.7.54 - NorthWestern Energy - Monthly Natural Gas Cost Rate Adjustment for the Period August 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014