

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 13-10-22**

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For Work Week Commencing: October 21, 2013  
Commission Meeting: October 22, 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 October 14, 2013

2. Out of state staff travel (Kate)

Staff requests approval of travel for David Lofftus to attend meetings of the Scenario Planning Study Group and Transmission Expansion Planning Policy Committee, Salt Lake City, November 5-7, 2013. Probable motion: Move to approve the staff travel request.

3. Classic Limo T-13.19.OTSC (Nickie)

On July 23, 2013, an Order to Show Cause was issued to Rumble, Inc. dba Classic Limo, Bozeman, Montana, PSC No. 9403, for failure to file its 2012 annual report. That Order to Show Cause was sent by certified mail and received by the motor carrier on July 27, 2013. On August 2, 2013, the motor carrier requested an extension of time to file the report. The extension was approved to October 1, and the motor carrier was advised that failure to file by that date would make the Order to Show Cause active. No report has been received and attempts to contact the motor carrier by email and phone have failed. Probable Motion: Cancel PSC No. 9403 for failure to file the 2012 motor carrier annual report as required by 69-12-407, MCA.

SUB A Class B – Persons and personal baggage in limousine service:  
 1) Between all points and places in the following counties: Gallatin, Park and Madison; and 2) From all points and places in Gallatin, Park and Madison Counties to all points and places in Montana and return. LIMITATIONS: (1) Transportation of more than twenty-four (24) passengers per vehicle is prohibited. (2) Service as a taxi or cab is prohibited.

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

1. 2013-2014 BTU monitoring contracts – Discuss/obtain direction on approving contracts for the heating season. (10/22/13)

2. D2013.6.51 – NorthWestern Energy – Application for a Limited Waiver of Order No. 6505e to Allow NorthWestern Energy to Own and Operate a Separate Subsidiary Public Utility – Discuss and act on draft final order. (10/22/13)
3. Placeholder – D2012.5.49 – NorthWestern Energy – Application for Approval of 1) Deferred Cost Account Balances for Electricity Supply, CU4 Variable Costs/Credits, and DGGs Variable Costs/Credits; and 2) Projected Electricity Supply Cost Rates, CU4 Variable Rates, and DGGs Variable Rates – Discuss and act on draft final order. (10/22/13)

### **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 website at <http://psc.mt.gov>.

1. CenturyTel N2013.5.32 (Laura)

On October 15, 2013, CenturyTel d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyLink) filed a Motion for Protective Order to protect from disclosure information that

CenturyLink reports in the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Form 481-Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form.

**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 website at <http://psc.mt.gov>.

**Information Items** All items identified below are for information only.

**New Filings Received in Past Week**

N2013.10.74 – NorthWestern Energy – Pre-filing communications re: NorthWestern Energy's proposed acquisition of PPL's hydro facilities