

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 13-11-14**

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Commission Meeting: November 14, 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 November 4, 2013

2. Out-of-state travel (Justin)

Staff requests approval of the request of Laura Farkas to travel to Denver, December 9 – 10, 2013, to attend the meeting of Telecommunications Law Conference. Probable motion: Move to approve the travel request.

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

1. D2012.7.81 – Mountain Water – General Rate Case – Act on Final Order. (11/14/13)
2. N2013.5.32 – Commission Initiated – 2013 Annual Certification of Montana Eligible Telecommunications Carriers – Discuss and act on Motions for Protective Orders: 1) Nemont Telephone Cooperative, 2) Project Telephone Company. (11/14/13)
3. D2013.10.77 – NWE – Petition for Waiver from 2013 CREP Requirement – Discuss and act on NWE’s Petition. (11/14/13)

Other Meetings

11/13/13 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. – Information meeting re: Montana Telecommunications Access Program/Montana Relay (Bollinger Room)

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

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>

1. CenturyLink Corporation D2013.11.7 (Laura)

On October 31, 2013, Qwest Corporation d/b/a/ CenturyLink QC and CenturyTel of Montana d/b/a CenturyLink (collectively CenturyLink) filed a Motion for a Protective Order. CenturyLink requests a standard protective order issued pursuant to ARM § 38.2.5014 to protect trade secrets provided to the Montana Public Service Commission (Commission) via CenturyLink's Declaration of Robert H. Brigham: Regarding the Status of Telecommunications Competition in the State of Montana, filed pursuant to CenturyLink's Alternative Form of Regulation (AFOR) plan.

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.

1. **Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (Qwest) Multi State and Individual Case Basis Agreements**

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 agreements at the Commission's offices, 1701 Prospect Ave. Helena, MT, 59620, 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 agreements, 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. D2008.1.3, Order No. 6889n, Joint Stipulation).

1. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink (Qwest) and Wyndham Worldwide Operations, Inc. have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Wyndham Worldwide Operations, Inc.
2. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink (Qwest) and St. Peter's Hospital have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to St. Peter's Hospital.
3. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink (Qwest) and Galusha, Higgins and Galusha have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Galusha, Higgins, and Galusha.
4. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink (Qwest) and Sally Holdings, LLC have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Sally Holdings, LLC.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2013.10.77 - NorthWestern Energy - Petition for a Waiver from Full Compliance with the Community Renewable Energy Project Purchase Obligation for Calendar Year 2013

D2013.11.78 - Qwest Corporation - Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and CenturyTel of Montana d/b/a CenturyLink Petition for Waiver, in Part, of 69-3-805(1), MCA