

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-06-17**

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Commission Meeting: June 17, 2014, 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 June 9, 2014

2. Out of state staff travel (Mandi)

Request approval for Ousmane Loun to travel to Redmond, WA to attend the "Visual Studio Live!" meeting, August 18- August 22, 2014. 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. D2014.5.47 & D2013.5.34 – NorthWestern Energy – Gas Tracker – Discuss and act on Interim Order. (6/17/14)
2. D2014.5.46 – NorthWestern Energy – 2014 Electric Tracker – Discuss and act on Interim Order. (6/17/14)
3. D2014.3.30 – D2013.3.20 – NorthWestern Energy – 2014 Natural Gas Universal System Benefits Tracker Filing – Discuss and act on whether to consolidate NWE's 2014 and 2013 Natural Gas Universal System Benefits Tracker Filings. (6/17/14)
4. D2013.12.86 – Montana-Dakota Utilities – 2014-2016 Natural Gas Conservation Portfolio – Either: (1) Approve MDU's proposed natural gas conservation portfolio; or (2) obtain Commission direction regarding further proceedings. (6/17/14)
5. PSC 2015 legislation – Discuss and act on list of legislative proposals to present to ETIC for review. (6/17/14)
6. EPA's carbon-related rulemaking – Consider hiring former University of Montana law professor Rob Natelson as a consultant to advise the commission and staff on constitutional questions arising from the EPA's new carbon rules (and from the rule making of the executive agencies with which the PSC deals in general). (6/17/14)

Other Meetings

June 19-21, 2014 - Republican Party convention, Billings Hotel and Convention Center. At least three commissioners will be attending the GOP convention in Billings.

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. 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. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC N2014.5.49 (Gary)

On June 5, 2014 CenturyLink QC filed a Motion for Protective Order in Docket No. N2014.5.49 – IN THE MATTER OF the FCC's Ordered July 1, 2014 Transition of Intrastate Access Charges. CenturyLink QC seeks to protect the ICC model used by CenturyLink QC to calculate intrastate access charges and which contains CenturyLink QC access demand data.

2. CenturyTel d/b/a CenturyLink N2014.5.49 (Gary)

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3. Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative N2014.4.45 (Gary)

Blackfoot filed a Motion for Protective Order in Docket No. N2014.4.45 – IN THE MATTER OF 2014 Annual Certification of Montana Eligible Telecommunications Carriers. Blackfoot seeks to protect certain information required to be filed with the Montana Public Service Commission by July 1, 2014 including certain FCC Form 481 financial information and broadband build out plans.

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

None