

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-06-24**

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For Work Week Commencing: June 23, 2014
Commission Meeting: June 24, 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 16, 2014

2. Out-of-state staff travel (Kate)

Staff requests approval of Margo Schurman's travel to attend NARUC's Annual Regulatory Studies Program (Camp NARUC) at Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, August 4-15, 2014. Probable Motion: Move to approve the staff travel request.

3. A & A Moving T-14.11.RI (Brenda)

On May 14, 2014 Aaron Romero dba A & A Moving, Billings, Montana filed an application to increase rates covering household goods under PSC No. 9477 by 56.25%. The rate increase was noticed to the public on May 29, 2014 and no protests have been received. Rates are scheduled to become effective on June 28, 2014. Probable Motion: Approve the rate increase sought in Docket T-14.11.RI.

Class B – Household goods between all points and places in Yellowstone County, Montana.

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

1. N2014.5.49 – FCC Ordered July 1, 2014 Transition of Intrastate Access Charges (Step 3) - Ronan Telephone Company, Hot Springs Telephone Company, and Citizens Telecommunications Company d/b/a Frontier Telecommunications Company – Discuss/act on request to approve their revised intrastate access charge tariffs. (6/24/14)
2. N2014.5.49 –FCC Ordered July 1, 2014 Transition of Intrastate Access Charges – Discuss/act on CenturyLink and CenturyLink QC's Motions for a Protective Order. (6/24/14)
3. N2014.4.45 – PSC Initiated – 2014 Annual Certification of Montana Eligible Telecommunications Carriers – Discuss/act on Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative Inc. and Citizens Telecommunications' Motions for a Protective Order. (6/24/14)

4. D2014.6.54 – Montana-Dakota Utilities – Purchase Power Cost Tracking Adjustment Rate 58 – Discuss/act on Interim Order. (6/24/14)
5. D2014.5.50 – Yellowstone Pipeline Company – Pipeline Tariffs - Discuss/act on Proposed Indexing of Rates for Tariffs 48.2 and 49.5. (6/24/14)
6. D2014.6.52 – NorthWestern Energy - QFLT-1 Tariff – Discuss/act on NorthWestern’s request for interim rates. (6/24/14)
7. Fiscal Year End Items and Commissioner Travel Budget – Discuss/request approval of Fiscal Year End Expenditures and Commissioner Travel Budget. (6/24/14)
8. Governor’s Award for Excellence Nomination – Request approval to make a nomination for the Governor’s Award for Excellence. (6/24/14)
9. Centralized Services Director Year End Performance Evaluation and Salary Review – Discuss/decide whether a salary adjustment is warranted (Closed Session). (6/24/14)

Other Meetings

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

6/25/14 - 12-1:30 p.m. – NRRI teleseminar re: “Carbon Emission Limits Under Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act: Merits and State Implementation Approaches” (Commission Conference Room – no web audio feed)

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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>

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

D2014.6.52 – NorthWestern Energy - Application for Approval of 2014 Avoided Cost Compliance Filing - Schedule No. QFLT-1

D2014.6.53 – PSC Investigation/Inquiry – In the Matter of Lost Revenue Adjustment Mechanism of NorthWestern Energy

D2014.6.54 – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. - Application for Authority to Implement a Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Tracking Adjustment

D2014.6.55 – Black Hills Corporation – Application for Authority to Establish a Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider

D2014.6.56 – Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana d/b/a Frontier Communications and Montana Sky West, L.L.C. – Local Interconnection Agreement