

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 14-08-12**

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For Work Week Commencing: August 11, 2014  
Commission Meeting: August 12, 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 August 4, 2014

2. Cinderella's Chauffeur T-14.8.PCN (Brenda)

Blake R. Beecher d/b/a Cinderella's Chauffeur, Fortine, Montana filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity on April 16, 2014 and the application was noticed to the public on May 7, 2014. One protest was received and later withdrawn after parties agreed on limitations.

**Probable Motion:** Approve the grant of authority to Blake R. Beecher d/b/a Cinderella's Chauffeur as amended.

Class B – Passenger, in non-rate regulated service, between all points and places within Flathead, Lake and Lincoln Counties. LIMITATIONS: 1) Transportation is limited to no more than 3 passengers. 2) No airport pick-up or drop-off unless in connection with a wedding for which chauffeuring service is contracted. 3) Transportation is conducted in British made vehicles, only and use of a stretched vehicle is not allowed. 4) Reservations must be made 24 hours in advance of service.

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

1. FCC's identification of census blocks which are eligible for CAF Phase II funding in Montana – Discuss/act on whether to challenge any census blocks that the FCC has determined to be ineligible for CAF Phase II funding. (08/12/14)
2. N2014.4.45 – CenturyTel d/b/a CenturyLink, Qwest d/b/a CenturyLink QC – 2014 Annual Certification of Montana ETC's – Discuss/act on identical Motions for Protective Orders filed by both companies. (08/12/14)
3. N2014.4.45 – Blackfoot Telephone – Review of Blackfoot proprietary information – Discuss and receive direction on either rescinding the previously issued protective order for certain information, or requiring Blackfoot to file additional competitive information by wire center prior to taking action. (08/12/14)

4. N2014.4.38 – PSC Initiated – CenturyLink repair service quality – Discuss the staff investigation into Qwest d/b/a CenturyLink QC service quality and recommended enforcement actions. (08/12/14)
5. D2011.10.89 - Telephone Number Conservation - Request that the Commission grant staff the authority to exempt certain number blocks from number pooling requirements when a carrier requests a block to be exempt due to technical issues or customer impacts. (08/12/14)
6. D2012.3.20 – Energy West Montana – Application of Energy West Inc. for Limited Waiver of Certain Ring-Fencing Requirements in Order 6960a and for Authorization to Engage in Financing Transactions – Discuss/ obtain direction on response to violation of order. (08/12/14)
7. D2013.5.33 and D2014.5.46 – NorthWestern Energy – 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 Electricity Supply Trackers – Discuss and act on Petition for General Intervention of Montana Environmental Information Center and Sierra Club. (08/12/14)
8. D2014.4.43 – NorthWestern Energy – Petition to Set Contract Terms and Conditions for Greenfield Wind, LLC – Discuss and act on Greenfield’s “Motion to Compel Discovery and Continue Hearing Date or Strike Testimony re: NorthWestern’s PowerSimm Model”. (08/12/14)
9. Community Renewable Energy Project laws – Consider possible amendments to CREP statutes in response to request from Energy & Telecommunications Interim Committee. (08/12/14)

### **Other Meetings**

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.

1. MTPCS (CellularOne) D2007.2.18 (Gary)

On July 24, 2014 MTPCS (CellularOne) filed its Notice of Relinquishment of Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier effective August 31, 2014. PCS approval of the request relinquishment is governed by 47 U.S.C. § 214(e) (4), 47 CFR § 54.205, and MCA § 69-3-840(5).

2. Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink D2002.6.68 (Mike)  
Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink / Level 3 Communications

Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink has filed for approval with this Commission and LIS Facility PVU amendment to the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink and Level 3 Communications in Docket No. D2002.6.68. Details of the amendment have been included with the filing and may be viewed on the Public Service Commission website at <http://psc.mt.gov>.

3. Citizens Telecommunication N2014.8.71 (Scott)

On August 4, 2014, Citizens Telecommunication filed Advice Letter No. MT-14-09. In this filing Citizens is requesting to remove the permanent tax reduction surcredit as previously referenced in MCA chapter 53, which has been repealed. Citizens is requesting that this filing become effective on September 4, 2014.

**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.

**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 Lithia Motors have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Lithia Motors.

**New Filings Received in Past Week**

N2014.8.70 - Public Service Commission - Maximum Allowable Rates for Intrastate Operator Service Providers

N2014.8.71 - Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana d/b/a Frontier Communications of Montana - Permanent Tax Reduction Surcredit