

Service Date: January 6, 2011

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

N THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's ) REGULATORY DIVISION  
Application for Approval of Electric Supply )  
Deferred Cost Account Balance and Projected ) DOCKET NO. D2010.5.50  
Electric Supply Cost )

**NOTICE OF STAFF ACTION**

1. On July 30, 2010, the Commission issued Procedural Order No. 7093a in this Docket. In paragraph 2 of Procedural Order 7093a, the Commission established January 6, 2011, as the deadline for Pre-hearing Memoranda. At a noticed work session on December 7, 2010, the Commission changed the hearing date to January 19-20, 2011.

2. The Commission modifies as follows the deadlines in paragraph 2 of Procedural Order No. 7093a:

w. January 13, 2011: Final day to submit Pre-hearing Memoranda.

3. All other deadlines remain the same as provided in Procedural Order 7093a and the Notice of Public Hearing issued on December 15, 2010.

Done and dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 2011 by delegation to Commission staff as an Order of the PSC.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BILL GALLAGHER, Chairman  
BRAD MOLNAR, Vice-Chairman  
GAIL GUTSCHE, Commissioner  
TRAVIS KAVULLA, Commissioner  
JOHN VINCENT, Commissioner