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

IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern)	
Energy's Application for Approval to)	
Purchase and Operate PPL Montana's)	REGULATORY DIVISION
Hydroelectric Facilities, for Approval of)	
Inclusion of Generation Asset and Cost of)	
Service in Electricity Supply Rates, for)	DOCKET NO. D2013.12.85
Approval of Issuance of Securities to)	
Complete the Purchase, and for Related)	
Relief)	

NORTHWESTERN ENERGY'S NOTICE OF INTENT TO CROSS-EXAMINE

On May 15, 2014, the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued a Notice of Intent to Move Admission of Consultants’ Reports (“Notice”). The Commission has retained two consultants, Evergreen Economics (“Evergreen”) and The Essex Partnership (“Essex”). The consultants, individually, submitted reports to the Commission. In the Notice, the Commission informed the parties that the Commission staff would move for admission into the record of the consultants’ reports. In the Notice, the Commission stated, “Representatives from Evergreen and/or Essex will be made available for cross-examination at hearing upon the request of any party. Any such request must be filed in this docket no later than June 2, 2014.”

Section 2-4-612(5), MCA (2013), provides, “A party shall have the right to conduct cross-examinations required for a full and true disclosure of facts, including the right to cross-examine the author of any document prepared by or on behalf of or for the use of the agency and offered in evidence.” The Commission described the reports prepared by Essex that the Commission staff intends to offer in evidence as (1) “a ‘checklist’ that provided Essex’s assessment of the docket information regarding the physical condition of the hydro facilities and NorthWestern’s projections for capital expenditures and operation and maintenance costs” and (2) “a memo that summarized its major findings” (“Essex Reports”). NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy gives notice that it intends to cross-examine each author of the Essex Reports and requests that each author be available at the hearing in this proceeding.

At this time, NorthWestern is not giving notice that it intends to cross-examine representatives from Evergreen and is not requesting their presence at the hearing. However, NorthWestern reserves the right to cross-examine each author of the *Final Assessment* submitted to the Commission by Evergreen if another party requests the author be made available at the hearing.

Respectfully submitted this 2nd day of June 2014.

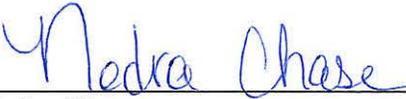


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of NorthWestern Energy's Notice of Intent to Cross-Examine in Docket No. D2013.12.85 has been hand delivered to The Montana Public Service Commission and The Montana Consumer Counsel. A copy has been e-filed on the MPSC website. It will be mailed to the most recent service list in this Docket by first class mail. It will also be emailed to the counsel of record.

Date: June 2, 2014



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