



June 25, 2013

Ms. Kate Whitney  
Administrator  
Montana Public Service Commission  
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Dear Ms. Whitney:

**Re: Tariff Letter No. 245-E**

This letter is pursuant to Montana Public Service Commission (Commission):

- Approval on June 14, 2013 with regard to NorthWestern Energy's (NorthWestern) annual filing for the Competitive Transition Charge for Qualifying Facilities (CTC-QF), pursuant to settlements in Docket No. D97.7.90 and D2001.1.5, approved in Order No. 5986w on January 31, 2002;
- Interim approval on June 18, 2013 with regard to NorthWestern's application for Approval for the Electricity Supply Costs, Colstrip Unit 4 (CU4) Fixed Costs, CU4 Variable Cost/Credits, Dave Gates Generating Station (DGGs) Fixed Costs, DGGs Variable Cost/Credits, Spion Kop Fixed Costs, Spion Kop Variable Cost/Credits, and the Total Electricity Supply Rates; and Electricity Supply Deferred Supply Rate; and
- Final approval on June 25, 2013 with regard to NorthWestern's annual BPA Residential Exchange Credit in Docket No. D2013.6.42.

Enclosed for filing are three copies of the revised Electric Rate schedules.

These rates will become effective for service on and after July 1, 2013. Below are the Electric tariff sheets being filed for MPSC approval.

<u>NWE Sheet Number</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling NWE Sheet Number</u>
179 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.1	Table of Contents	178 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.1
130 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.2	Table of Contents	129 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.2
37 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.1	Residential Electric Delivery Service	36 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.1
36 <sup>th</sup> Revised 20.2	General Service Electric Delivery Service	35 <sup>th</sup> Revised 20.2

<u>NWE Sheet Number</u>	<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>Canceling NWE Sheet Number</u>
37 <sup>th</sup> Revised 30.1	Irrigation Pumping & Sprinkling Electric Delivery Service	36 <sup>th</sup> Revised 30.1
33 <sup>rd</sup> Revised 40.2	Electric Lighting Delivery Service	32 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 40.2
115 <sup>th</sup> Revised 60.1	Electric Default Supply Service	114 <sup>th</sup> Revised 60.1
11 <sup>th</sup> Revised 61.1	Competitive Transition Charge For Qualifying Facilities	10 <sup>th</sup> Revised 61.1

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If there are any questions, please call me at (406) 497-3362.

Sincerely,



Joe Schwarzenberger  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures



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178<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 1.1

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The following listed tariff sheets contain all effective rates, rules and regulations affecting rates, service and information relating thereto in effect on and after the date indicated thereon.

<u>Title of Sheet</u>	<u>MPSC Sheet No.</u>
Title Page	Original 0.1
Table of Contents	179 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.1; 130 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.2; and 13 <sup>th</sup> Revised 1.3
<u>PRELIMINARY STATEMENT</u>	
PART A – Recovery Mechanism Local Government Fees	Original 2.1
PART B – Electric Cost and Deferred Accounting Provision	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 2.2 thru 2.3 and Original 2.4
PART C - State and Local Taxes and Fees Cost Recovery, Tracking and Deferred Accounting Mechanism	Original 2.5 thru 2.7

### RATE SCHEDULES

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EBS-1	Electric Billing Service	Original 6.1
REDS-1	Residential Electric Delivery Service	37 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.1; 6 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.2; 4 <sup>th</sup> Revised 10.3
RSGTOUD-1	Residential Smart Grid Time-of-Use Demonstration	Original 11.1 and 11.2
GSEDS-1	General Service Electric Delivery Service	22 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 20.1; 36 <sup>th</sup> Revised 20.2; 1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 20.3, Original 20.4
GSEDS-2	General Service Substation/Transmission Electric Delivery Service	22 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 21.1; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 21.2, 1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 21.3
ISEDS-1	Irrigation Pumping & Sprinkling Electric Delivery Service	37 <sup>th</sup> Revised 30.1; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 30.2, 1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 30.3
ELDS-1	Electric Lighting Delivery Service	22 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 40.1; 33 <sup>rd</sup> Revised 40.2; 1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 40.3, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 40.4, 1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 40.5 thru 40.6

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CTC-QF-1	Competitive Transition Charge for Qualifying Facilities	11 <sup>th</sup> Revised 61.1; Original 61.2
CESGTC-1	Competitive Electric Supply General Terms and Conditions	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 63.1; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 63.2 Original 63.3 and 63.4
ECCGP-1	Electric Customer Choice Guidelines and Procedures	2 <sup>nd</sup> Revised 64.1 thru 64.6
EESS-1	Electric Emergency Supply Service	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 65.1 and 65.2
EGPS-1	Electric Green Power Service	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 66.1 and 66.2
QFLT-1	Qualifying Facility/Long-Term Power Purchase	Original 70.1 thru 70.3 14 <sup>th</sup> Revised 70.4
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LTPP-1	Cogeneration/SPP – Long-Term Power Purchase	Original 75.1 thru 75.3
WI-1	Wind Integration	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 80.1 and 80.2
CR-1	Contingency Reserves	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised 85.1 and 85.2

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Canceling 37<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 10.1  
36<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 10.1

Schedule No. REDS-1

RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC DELIVERY SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to all domestic purposes in single private dwellings and individual family apartments for Customers receiving electric supply under Electricity Supply Service or through a Contract with a Competitive Electric Supplier (Electric Supplier).

TYPE OF SERVICE: Single-phase, 120 volts, 2 wire, or 120/240 volts, 3 wire, through one meter at one point of delivery.

RATES: Monthly Bill:

Electric Supply Charge: In Accordance with the Electricity Supply Service Tariff or with a Contract Between the Customer and an Electric Supplier.

PLUS:  
Transmission Charges: In Accordance with the Electricity Supply Service Tariff if receiving supply under Electricity Supply Service; or In Accordance with Utility's FERC Approved Transmission Tariff if receiving supply from an Electric Supplier.

PLUS:  
Delivery Service Charge (DSC): Customer specific DSC resulting from the sum of the following:

Monthly Customer Charge: \$ 5.25  
Monthly Employee Customer Charge: \$ 3.15

Plus:  
Energy (Monthly \$/kWh):  
Regular Customer All kWh @ \$ 0.028601  
Employee All kWh @ \$ 0.017161

PLUS:  
BPA Residential Exchange Credit:  
Energy (Monthly \$/kWh):  
Regular Customer All kWh @ \$ (0.001187) (I)  
Employee All kWh @ \$ (0.000712) (I)

PLUS:  
Other Applicable Charges: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

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Sheet No. 20.2

Schedule No. GSEDS-1

## GENERAL SERVICE ELECTRIC DELIVERY SERVICE

### PLUS:

BPA Residential Exchange Credit: (Residential Load Only – See Definition)

Energy (Monthly \$/kWh):

All kWh @ \$ (0.001187) (I)

Other Applicable Charges: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

### RATES:

Delivery Service Charge (DSC): Customer specific DSC resulting from the sum of the following:

#### Primary Service:

##### Non-Demand Meter:

Monthly Customer Charge: \$ 7.90

Plus: Energy (Monthly \$/kWh):

All kWh @ \$ 0.019186

##### Demand Meter:

Monthly Customer Charge: \$ 24.95

Plus: Energy (Monthly \$/kWh):

All kWh @ \$ 0.007146

Demand (Monthly \$/kW)

All kW @ \$ 4.079294

### PLUS:

Other Applicable Charges: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana.

Monthly Bill Components: Each month, Customers' bills shall include an Electric Supply Charge; a Transmission & Ancillary Services Charge(s); all relevant charges contained on other applicable rate schedules including, but not limited to, competitive transition charges (CTC) and universal systems benefits programs (USBC); and Delivery Services Charge(s) (DSC). Customers may be billed either entirely by the Utility, or in part by the Electric Supplier, in accordance with the Contract between the Utility and Electric Supplier, or the Electric Supplier and its Customer.

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Canceling 37th Revised Sheet No. 30.1
36th Revised Sheet No. 30.1

Schedule No. ISEDS-1

IRRIGATION PUMPING & SPRINKLING
ELECTRIC DELIVERY SERVICE

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to Irrigation and Pumping Service Customers using this service exclusively for the operation of irrigation pumping and sprinkling equipment billed during the irrigation season, normally the May through October billing periods, who receive electric supply under Electricity Supply Service or through a Contract with a Competitive Electric Supplier (Electric Supplier). Such service to be supplied through one meter at one point of delivery unless otherwise specified by a special contract between the Utility and Customer.

TYPE OF SERVICE: Sixty hertz alternating current delivered at such phase as Utility may have available.

RATES: Monthly Bill:

Electric Supply Charge: In Accordance with the Electricity Supply Service Tariff or with a Contract Between the Customer and an Electric Supplier.

PLUS:

Transmission Charges: In Accordance with the Electricity Supply Service Tariff if receiving supply under Electricity Supply Service; or In Accordance with Utility's FERC Approved Transmission Tariff if receiving supply from an Electric Supplier.

PLUS:

Delivery Service Charge (DSC): Customer specific DSC resulting from the sum of the following:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Non-Demand Meter (Seasonal Customer Charge: \$ 54.20) and Demand Meter (Seasonal Customer Charge: \$ 127.80) with sub-rows for Energy and Demand charges.

PLUS:

BPA Residential Exchange Credit: Energy (Monthly \$/kWh): All kWh @ \$ (0.001187) (I)

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Canceling 33<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 40.2
32<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 40.2

Schedule No. ELDS-1

ELECTRIC LIGHTING DELIVERY SERVICE

Ownership Charge (Monthly \$/Unit):

Table with 4 columns: Cost Range, Unit Rate, Cost Range, Unit Rate. Rows show price ranges from \$3,000-\$3,199 to \$4,400-\$4,599 with corresponding unit rates.

RATES:

PLUS:

(\$/Unit/month)

Operations Charge: \$ 0.63

Maintenance Charge: \$ 0.61

Billing Charge: \$ 0.25

PLUS:

BPA Residential Exchange Credit: (Residential Load Only - See Definition)

Energy (Monthly \$/kWh):

All kWh @ \$ (0.001187) (I)

PLUS:

Other Applicable Charges: All charges contained on other applicable rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission of Montana (Commission).

APPLICATION OF RATES:

Monthly Bill Components: Each month, Customers' bills shall include an Electric Supply Charge; a Transmission & Ancillary Services Charge(s); all relevant charges contained on other applicable rate schedules including, but not limited to, competitive transition charges (CTC) and universal systems benefits programs (USBC); and a Delivery Services Charge (DSC) plus the following applicable charges. Customers may be billed either entirely by the Utility, or in part by the Electric Supplier, in accordance with the Contract between the Utility and Electric Supplier, or the Electric Supplier and its Customer.

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Canceling  $\frac{115^{\text{th}}}{114^{\text{th}}}$  Revised Revised

Sheet No. 60.1  
Sheet No. 60.1

Schedule No. ESS-1

## ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SERVICE

**APPLICABILITY:** Applicable to all electricity supply customers of the Utility. Electric supply provided under this tariff is for the Customer's end use; and is prohibited from being remarketed by the Customer.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Rate Schedule is to recover the market costs of electric supply costs associated with Electricity Supply requirements, and to recover current MPSC-based retail transmission costs.

**RATES:**

**Supply Monthly Billing:** Each month, the Electricity Supply Service Supply Charge and the Deferred Electricity Supply Charge shall be the product of the actual monthly consumption, in kWh, delivered at the Customer's meter, times the applicable Supply rate set forth as follows:

<u>Rate Classes:</u>	<u>Supply Monthly \$/kWh</u>		<u>Supply Deferred Charge Monthly \$/kWh</u>	
Residential	\$ 0.065453	(I)	\$ (0.000365)	(R)
Residential - Employee	\$ 0.039272	(I)	\$ (0.000219)	(R)
General Service – 1 Secondary Non-Demand	\$ 0.061594	(I)	\$ (0.000365)	(R)
General Service – 1 Secondary Demand	\$ 0.065454	(I)	\$ (0.000365)	(R)
General Service – 1 Primary Non-Demand	\$ 0.063658	(I)	\$ (0.000355)	(R)
General Service – 1 Primary Demand	\$ 0.060240	(I)	\$ (0.000355)	(R)
General Service – 2 Substation	\$ 0.063112	(I)	\$ (0.000351)	(R)
General Service – 2 Transmission	\$ 0.062732	(I)	\$ (0.000350)	(R)
Irrigation	\$ 0.061594	(I)	\$ (0.000365)	(R)
Lighting	\$ 0.061594	(I)	\$ (0.000365)	(R)

**PLUS:**

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Schedule No. CTC-QF-1

COMPETTIVE TRANSITION CHARGE FOR QUALIFYING FACILITIES

APPLICABILITY: Applicable to all retail electric service provided by the Utility beginning July 1, 2002 and under the jurisdiction of the Montana Public Service Commission. Not applicable for large new loads of 1,000 kW or greater, as defined below under Load Exclusion.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Rate Schedule is to recover the out-of-market costs associated with Qualifying Facilities Power Contracts, pursuant to electric restructuring.

<u>Rate Classes:</u>		<u>Monthly \$/kWh</u>	
Residential	All kWh @	0.003350	(R)
Residential - Employee	All kWh @	0.002010	(R)
General Service Secondary	All kWh @	0.003350	(R)
General Service Primary	All kWh @	0.003259	(R)
General Service Substation	All kWh @	0.003231	(R)
General Service Transmission	All kWh @	0.003211	(R)
Irrigation	All kWh @	0.003350	(R)
Lighting	All kWh @	0.003350	(R)

The above rates shall be modified annually beginning July 1, 2003 through July 1, 2031 to reflect the respective annual Qualifying Facility charges authorized by Commission Order No. 5986w.

APPLICATION OF RATES:

Monthly Billing: Each month, the CTC-QF Charge shall be the product of the actual monthly consumption, in kWh, delivered at Customer's meter, times the applicable rate set forth above.

TERM OF RATE SCHEDULE:

This Rate Schedule shall be applicable from the effective date of the final Order in Docket No. D97.7.90, until such time that the CTC-QF Charge is no longer needed.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of NorthWestern Energy's Tariff Letter No. 245-E will be e-filed with the PSC. It will be e-mailed to the PSC and MCC and also served upon the following persons by, postage prepaid via first class mail, as follows:

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DATED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2013.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tracy Downey Killoy". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.