

Service Date: December 19, 2013

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

In the Matter of NORTHWESTERN)
ENERGY, Application for Approval of)
Unreflected Gas Cost Account Balance,) DOCKET NO. D2013.5.34
Projected Gas Cost and Gas Transportation)
Adjustment.)

NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL ISSUE

On May 31, 2013, NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy (NWE) submitted its annual Natural Gas Cost Tracker filing. On September 25, 2013, the Montana Public Service Commission (Commission) issued Procedural Order No. 7282(a) which established deadlines for discovery, testimony, and additional issues identification. The deadline for the identification of additional issues is December 19, 2013.

At a work session on December 17, 2013, the Commission directed NWE to supplement its 2012-2013 Natural Gas Supply Tracker filing with a response regarding the following issue: NWE is directed to respond to the recent Commission Findings of Fact ¶¶ 40-79 in Order No. 7219h involving true-up of lost revenues and the lost revenue adjustment policy that may be applicable to the natural gas tracker application and proceeding.

The Commission authorized staff to modify Procedural Order 7282(a) to accommodate additional deadlines for testimony and discovery, as necessary. The procedural schedule is suspended and will be modified in a separate notice.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

W. A. (BILL) GALLAGHER, Chairman
BOB LAKE, Vice Chairman
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