

Service Date: August 20, 2015

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

IN THE MATTER OF the Petition of) REGULATORY DIVISION
Greycliff Wind Prime, LLC to Set Contract)
Terms and Conditions for a Qualifying) DOCKET NO. D2015.8.64
Small Power Production Facility)

NOTICE OF PETITION AND INTERVENTION DEADLINE

On August 17, 2015, Greycliff Wind Prime, LLC (Greycliff) filed a *Petition to Have Commission Set Contract Terms and Conditions Pursuant to M.C.A. § 69-3-603* (Petition) with the Public Service Commission (PSC). Greycliff asserts that it is a qualifying facility (QF) that created a “legally enforceable obligation,” but that NorthWestern Energy has refused to enter into its proposed power purchase agreement, which includes an effective rate of \$50.35 per megawatt-hour, levelized over a 20-year term. Pet. p. 4; *see* 18 C.F.R. § 292.304(d) (2015); Or. 6444e, Dkt. D2002.8.100, ¶ 47 (May 18, 2010).

If a QF and utility “are unable to mutually agree to a contract for the sale of electricity or a price for the electricity to be purchased by the utility,” either may ask the PSC to establish rates and conditions. Mont. Code Ann. § 69-3-603 (2013) (generally requiring a decision within 180 days). The PSC must encourage long-term contracts and set QF rates “using the avoided cost over the term of the contract.” *Id.* at § 69-3-604.

Any interested person who is directly affected by the Petition and wants to be a party to this Docket must file a petition to intervene **no later than September 3, 2015**. A petition for intervention must be: (1) Submitted electronically (e-filed) on the PSC’s website at <http://psc.mt.gov> (go to “Account Login/Registration” under “Electronic Documents” tab); and (2) delivered or mailed to the PSC at 1701 Prospect Ave., P.O. Box 202601, Helena, MT 59601.

An interested person who does not wish to formally intervene may mail or deliver written comments to the PSC at the above address, or email them to PSC_UtilityComment@mt.gov.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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