

Service Date: March 1, 2016

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

IN THE MATTER OF Inquiry by the ) REGULATORY DIVISION  
Montana Public Service Commission into )  
its Implementation of the Public Utility ) DOCKET NO. N2015.9.74  
Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 )

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) will conduct a public meeting in this matter on **Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.** (or immediately following its weekly business meeting) in the PSC's Bollinger Room, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana 59601.

On September 24, 2015, the PSC issued a *Notice of Inquiry and Opportunity to Comment* concerning its implementation of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), which requires electric utilities to purchase energy and capacity made available from qualifying facilities (QFs). 18 C.F.R. § 292.303(a) (2015); Mont. Code Ann. § 69-8-602 (2015). The PSC received comments from numerous entities, and on December 2, 2015, requested additional comments addressing the symmetrical treatment of QF and utility-owned resources. The PSC will conduct the public meeting as a roundtable discussion to promote the exchange of information and to inform any future efforts to improve its implementation of PURPA.

Anyone needing accommodation for a physical, hearing, or sight impairment in order to attend or participate in the meeting should contact the PSC at (406) 444-6199 at least one week prior to the hearing. The PSC will make every effort to accommodate individual impairments.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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