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| **THURSDAY** 14 | 9:00 AM – Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room) (No web audio feed)  
9:30 AM – Business (Bollinger Room)  
Call To Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Public Comment  
Action Items:  
1. Approval of Commission Minutes.  
2. 2019.09.070 & 2019.09.071 – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. – Approval of MDU’s request to accrue over - and under - collections of PSC and MCC taxes for inclusion in its annual supply cost tracker filings.  
Work Sessions:  
1. 2019.06.039 – Northwest Fiber – Northwest Fiber’s and Frontier Communications’ Joint Application for an Order Approving the Transfer of Control of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana to Northwest Fiber, LLC – To discuss and act on Northwest Fiber’s Motion for Admission to Practice Pro Hac Vice for K.C. Halm and Heather Moelter.  
2. 2019.10.080 – Energy West Montana, Inc. ("EWM") and Cut Bank Gas Company ("CBGC") – EWM and CBGC moved for a protective order to protect the confidentiality of income tax filings in advance of filing their annual property tax tracker – To discuss and act on the request for a protective order. (Since this filing came in before the tracker filing, there is no procedural order that grants staff the ability to make this ruling, so it must be brought to the Commissioners).  
3. 2019.08.052 – NorthWestern Energy – NorthWestern’s 2019 Electricity Supply Resource Procurement Plan – To discuss Sierra Club’s Motion for Access to PowerSimm Model and requests from Sierra Club and nine community organizations for an extension of the public comment period.  
| **FRIDAY** 15 | 1:30 PM Monday, November 25, 2019 Commission Meeting |
Date Published: November 6, 2019
For Work Week Commencing: November 11, 2019
Commission Scheduling Meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2019, 9:00 a.m.
Commission Business Meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

General Introduction: This agenda is the Commission’s agenda for the work week designated. In the beginning part of each week prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission’s worldwide website located at http://psc.mt.gov.

Place of Meetings: All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.


Inquiries: General inquiries concerning this agenda and subscribing to electronic notice may be made to Amber Koop at (406) 444-6199. She may refer inquiries to another person within the agency.

Accommodation for Persons with Disabilities: Anyone needing an accommodation for physical, hearing, or sight impairment in order to attend a scheduled meeting should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199 prior to the meeting to allow accommodations to be made.

Action Items: All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Vicki)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of November 4, 2019.
2. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. 2019.09.070 and 2019.09.071 (Graham)

On October 24, 2019, Montana-Dakota Utilities (“MDU”) submitted its request to continue to accumulate under- and over-collections of Montana Public Service Commission (“PSC”) and Montana Consumer Counsel (“MCC”) taxes - associated with its gas and electric operations - retroactive to October 1, 2019, pursuant to a Notice of Commission Action. Regarding its electric operations, MDU notes that Order No.7645e (Docket No. D2018.9.60) provided authorization to track and true-up PSC and MCC tax rate changes through its Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Tracking Adjustment(s) (“Rate 58”, “Rate 35”). Regarding its gas operations, MDU notes that it is currently tracking and recovering deferred balances associated with PSC and MCC tax changes through its Gas Cost Tracking Adjustment (“Rate 88”), and requests authority to continue to do so. Recommended Motion: Approve MDU’s request to accrue over- and under- collections of PSC and MCC taxes for inclusion in its annual supply cost tracker filings.

**Work Sessions:** All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

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**Other Meetings:**

None.
Notice Items: All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments, either by mail or hand delivery, to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time via the PSC's public comment email, psc_utilitycomment@mt.gov. A comment form may be downloaded at http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. CenturyLink QC and XO Communication Services 2019.10.073 (Mike)

CenturyLink QC and XO Communication Services have filed for approval with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) an amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”) between the two parties, which was originally approved by the Commission in Docket No. D2008.6.64, Final Order 6941. The Agreement is amended for Reciprocal Compensation to be Bill and Keep for the exchange of Exchange Service or Extended Area Service Traffic as set forth in Exhibit A of the amendment. The Agreement and amendment are available for viewing on the Commission website or at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments to the Commission no later than November 26, 2019 through the Commission website or mail comments to the Commission at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601.

2. CenturyLink QC and Blackfoot Communications 2019.10.074 (Mike)

CenturyLink QC and Blackfoot Communications have filed for approval with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) an amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”) between the two parties, which was originally approved by the Commission in Docket No. D2004.5.83, Final Order 6609. The Agreement is amended for Reciprocal Compensation to be Bill and Keep for the exchange of Exchange Service or Extended Area Service Traffic as set forth in Exhibit A of the amendment. The Agreement and amendment are available for viewing on the Commission website or at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments to the Commission no later than November 26, 2019 through the Commission website or mail comments to the Commission at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601.
3. CenturyTel and Onvoy, LLC 2019.10.075 (Mike)

CenturyTel of Montana d/b/a CenturyLink and Onvoy, LLC have filed for approval with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) an amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”) between the two parties, which was originally filed in Docket No. 2019.06.038. The Agreement is amended by adding specific terms and conditions under which CLEC can exchange traffic with CenturyLink. The Agreement and amendment are available for viewing on the Commission website or at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments to the Commission no later than November 26, 2019 through the Commission website or mail comments to the Commission at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601.

4. Citizens Telecommunications Company 2019.10.082 (Mike)

Citizens Telecommunications Company d/b/a Frontier Communications of Montana (“Frontier”) has submitted for approval with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) revised tariff pages which, if approved, would reduce the Federal Lifeline support for voice-only Lifeline service from $9.25 per month per Lifeline subscriber to $7.25 per month per Lifeline subscriber. Frontier has made the filing as a result of the FCC’s Lifeline Modernization Order, WC Docket No. 11-42, issued April 27, 2016. Frontier has requested that the revised tariff have an effective date of December 1, 2019. The filing is available for review on the Commission website or at the Commission office in Helena. Any person from the public that wishes to be represented in this matter may contact the Montana Consumer Counsel by phone at 406-442-2771. Interested persons may submit comments to the Commission no later than November 19, 2019 through the Commission website or mail comments to the Commission at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601. Any comments that are submitted through mail must clearly identify the docket number in question.

Transportation Notice Items: Motor carriers with proper standing may protest applications. Protests related to an application for Class A, B, and E passenger authority is limited to a protest of the motor carrier’s ability to meet the requirements of Mont. Code Ann. §§ 69-12-323(5) and 69-12-415. Protests must include the proper fee, as required by Mont. Admin. R. 38.3.402(c), and conform to the requirements at Mont. Admin. R. 38.3.405 or 38.3.406 as applicable. A protest form is available on the Commission’s website at http://psc.mt.gov/For-Regulated-Utilities/Compliance-Materials#undefined. If no written protests are received by the deadline, the Commission may issue a final decision on the application (including a decision by delegation of authority to Commission staff pursuant to established internal operating procedures) without a public hearing, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 69-12-321.
1. Tilly, LLC.                                  2019.10.081                                                     (Susie)

Tilly, LLC. 1324 36th Ave W, Havre, MT 59501, filed an application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, Class D – Garbage within the city of Havre, MT and a 50 mile radius to Hill, Blaine, Liberty and Choteau County.

2. Lone Peak Concierge.                       2019.10.083                                          (Susie)

Lone Peak Concierge, PO Box 160183 Big Sky, MT 59716 filed an application for Certificate of Compliance, Class B Passengers in non-rate regulated service between all points in Gallatin County and Big Sky.

3. Bozeman Cab Company, LLC                 2019.10.084                                       (Susie)

Bozeman Cab Company, LLC, PO Box 174, Belgrade, MT 59714 filed an application for Certificate of Compliance, Class B Passengers in rate regulated service between all points and places within the state of Montana.

NOTE: Absent a protest, decision authority has been delegated to Commission staff for: Item 1 and 2. An interested person may request Commission action on this item by submitting a written request to the Commission by the protest deadline. Written requests can be mailed to the Commission address listed above or e-mailed to pschelp@mt.gov.

Protective Orders – Notice Items: The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to Mont. Admin. R. 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission’s web site at http://psc.mt.gov.

1. Energy West Montana, Inc. and Cut Bank Gas Company   2019.10.080        (Ashley)

Energy West Montana, Inc. (“EWM”) and Cut Bank Gas Company (“CBGC”) filed a Motion for Protective Order and Brief in Support. EWM and CBGC are seeking protection of confidential federal and state corporate income tax filings in advance of its annual property tax tracker filing. No supporting affidavit was attached to the motion and brief due to the authority for this protective order being a function of statutory law.

2. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.                2019.09.069                     (Justin)

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. and MDU Resources Group, Inc. (collectively “MDU”) filed a Motion for Protective Order and Brief in Support. MDU is seeking protection of confidential federal and state corporate income tax filings in advance of its annual property tax tracker filing.
Protective Orders – Information Items: The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to Mont. Admin. R. 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission’s web site at http://psc.mt.gov.

None.

Information Items: All items identified below are for information only.

None.

New Regulatory Filings Received in Past Week:


2. 2019.11.086 – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. – Application of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. for Authority for Deferred Accounting Treatment.


New Transportation Filings Received in Past Week:

None.

*Qualifies for Staff Action. Upon receipt of a written request by a commissioner or an interested person submitted within five (5) business days of the date published on this Agenda, the Commission will review this item.