

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 16-9-27**

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For Work Week Commencing: September 26, 2016

Commission Scheduling Meeting: Tuesday, September 27, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

Commission Business Meeting: Tuesday, September 27, 2016, 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>.

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

1. Approval of Commission Minutes _____ (Sandy)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of September 12, 2016.

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

1. D2016.8.61 – NorthWestern Energy – IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy’s Application for Approval of its BPA Residential Exchange Program Credit – Discuss and act on NWE’s application to adjust the BPA residential exchange program credit. (9/27/16)
2. D2016.7.58 – Havre Pipeline Company, LLC – Havre Pipeline Company Farmstead Customer Rate Adjustment – Discuss and act on Havre Pipeline Company’s Application for Interim Rate Adjustment and whether to consolidate D2016.7.58 with existing consolidated dockets D2013.7.56 and D2015.9.70. (9/27/16)
3. Vote Solar and MEIC Complaint to FERC - Complaint alleging violations of PURPA - Discuss and decide whether the Commission should hire outside counsel to respond to the complaint. (9/27/16)
4. N2016.8.62 – PSC Initiated – Operator Service Provider Rate Caps – Discuss maximum allowable rate caps for October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. (9/27/16)
5. N2016.4.37 – PSC Initiated – IN THE MATTER OF 2016 ETC Certification – Discuss and request approval to recertify ETCs in Montana. (9/27/16)
6. D2012.6.69, D2013.6.49, D2014.6.54, and D2015.6.49 – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. - Application for Authority to Implement a Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Tracking Adjustment – Discuss and approve the final orders. (9/27/16)
7. PSC Initiated - Passenger Motor Carrier Roundtable - Discuss and decide whether to schedule a roundtable with passenger motor carriers and other interested persons based on the discussion at the ETIC meeting. (9/27/16)

Other Meetings

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 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 through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

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/transportation>. If no written protests are received by the deadline, the Commission may issue a final order on the application without a public hearing, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 69-12-321.

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>

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>

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

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2016.9.69 - Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. - Application for Authority to Implement a Gas Cost Tracking Adjustment Change Effective for the Period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017

D2016.9.70 - Circle H Water, Inc. - IN THE MATTER OF Circle H Water, Inc.'s (formerly Northridge Water Company) Intent to Adopt Standard Rate Tariff

N2016.9.71 – Sage Energy Trading, LLC – IN THE MATTER of Sage Energy Trading, LLC's Application for Natural Gas Supplier License