

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 16-10-4**

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For Work Week Commencing: October 3, 2016

Commission Scheduling Meeting: Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

Commission Business Meeting: Tuesday, October 4, 2016, 9:30 a.m.

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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 26, 2016.
2. Amazing Taxi TN2661 (Brenda)

Carrie Ann Pintar dba Amazing Taxi, Livingston, Montana requests permission to suspend PSC No. 9466 from September 23, 2016 to March 15, 2017. Probable Motion: Approve the suspension of PSC No. 9466 as requested.

Class B – Passengers between all points and places within a 125 mile radius of Livingston, Montana. Limitations: (1) Transportation must originate or terminate in Park County, Montana. (2) Transportation to or from points east of Park County, Montana must originate or terminate in the City of Livingston, Montana.

3. Surber Transportation LLC T-16.27.COC (Brenda)

On August 25, 2016 Surber Transportation LLC, Chinook, Montana filed an application for Certificate of Compliance. The application was noticed to the public on September 8, 2016 and no protests were received. Probable Motion: Approve the application as requested.

Class B - Passengers in non-rate regulated service between all points and places within the state of Montana.

4. Magic City V.I.P., LLC T-16.28.COC (Brenda)

On August 23, 2016, Magic City V.I.P., LLC, Billings, Montana filed an application for Certificate of Compliance. The application was noticed to the public on September 8, 2016 and no protests were received. Probable Motion: Approve the application as requested.

Class B - Passengers in rate regulated service between all points and places within Montana.

5. Montana Tariff Bureau T-16.29.RI (Brenda)

On August 25, 2016, The Montana Tariff Bureau, Agent for and on behalf of participating Montana Intrastate Household Goods Carriers, in an independent action, filed a request for a general rate increase in Household Goods Tariff No. 1 of between 3.45% to 10% on all items except 265 and 676. Included in this request is a fuel cost adjustment in item 262 to reflect a new base rate based on the closest Department of Energy figure to the effective date of the increase or to use the August figure of \$2.348. These rate increases apply on the movement of household goods point to point within Montana. The rate increase was noticed to the public on September 8, 2016 and no protests were received.

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

1. N2016.7.55 – Gold Star Energy, LLC – Application for Natural Gas Supplier License – Dismiss the application. (10/4/16)

### **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.

1. Pass-Through of Fees Levied on Regulated Companies for Funding the Montana Consumer Counsel and Public Service Commission D2016.9.72 & D2016.9.73 (Dagan)

Sections 69-1-224(4) and 69-1-403(4), MCA, require that the PSC issue orders each year to authorize regulated companies to fully recover in their rates the fees levied on them for the funding of the Montana Consumer Counsel and the PSC. The state Department of Revenue has notified the PSC that the MCC tax rate on regulated companies' gross operating revenues for the period of October 2016 through September 2017 will be .0010 and the PSC tax rate will be .0039.

**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 be in writing and mailed to the following address: Montana Public Service Commission, Regulatory Division, PO Box 202601, Helena, MT 59620-2601 and postmarked by **October 24, 2016**. 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.

**Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity**

1. T-16.30.PCN - DAROM, LLC dba Two Men and a Truck of Montana, Missoula, Montana

Class B - Household Goods between all points and places within the state of Montana.

**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**

D2016.9.72 - Public Service Commission - Public Service Commission Funding Fees

D2016.9.73 – Public Service Commission - Montana Consumer Counsel Funding Fees

D2016.9.74 - Energy West Montana Inc. - Application to Make Interim Adjustments Final and to Reconcile Under-Collection of Gas Costs by Increasing Rates by \$333,620