

**REVISED
MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 16-11-1**

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For Work Week Commencing: October 31, 2016

Commission Scheduling Meeting: Tuesday, November 1, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

Commission Business Meeting: Tuesday, November 1, 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 October 24, 2016.

2. Frontier Communications of Montana N2016.9.75 (Scott)

On September 27, 2016, Frontier Communications of Montana filed Advice Letter No. MT-16-03. The purpose of this filing is to standardize the naming and description of nonrecurring charges, introduce a Reconnect

Charge and Installment Billing option. The application of the nonrecurring charges and associated rates will not change. Frontier requests that this filing become effective on October 31, 2016. Probable Motion: Approve Frontier's Advice Letter No. MT-16-03 in docket N2016.9.75.

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 Gas Supplier License – Discuss and act on dismissing the application. (11/1/16)
2. D2015.7.53 – NorthWestern Energy - Application for Approval of Unreflected Gas Cost Account and Balance and Projected Gas Cost; and Gas Transportation Adjustment Clause Balance - Discuss and act on Draft Final Order approving NorthWestern's Application. (11/1/16)
3. PSC Initiated – EPA's rulemaking involving the Clean Energy Incentive Program Design Details – Discuss and decide whether the Commission should file comments with the Environmental Protection Agency involving the proposed rule on the Clean Energy Incentive Program. (11/1/16)
4. Website/Case Management Proposal – Discuss and act on moving forward with website/case management proposal. (11/1/16)

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. Southern Montana Telephone Company D2016.10.78 (Mike)

On October 14, 2016, Southern Montana Telephone Company (SMTTC) filed a Notice of Proposed Increase in Local Service Rates pursuant to 69-3-901 *et*.

seq Montana Code Annotated. SMTC has been incrementally increasing its local service rates since 2009 in order to bring it closer to its authorized rate of return. SMTC is proposing to increase its local residential service from \$20.00 per month to \$21.00 per month, and its local business service rate from \$21.00 per month to \$22.00 per month. The proposed increase will affect 752 residential subscribers and 222 business subscribers. SMTC has requested the proposed increase become effective January 1, 2017.

Any subscriber affected by the proposed rate increase or decrease may petition the Commission to review and determine the rates within 60 days, pursuant to MCA 69-3-906. Affected subscribers or interested parties may review the filing on the Commission's website at <http://psc.mt.gov>, at the office of the Commission, or at the office of the Montana Consumer Counsel.

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 **November 21, 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.

1. **Certificate of Compliance**

**T-16.31.COC - Debra K. DeShaw dba Deb D-Livery, P O Box 562,
Choteau, Montana 59422**

Class B - Passengers in rate regulated service from points in Teton County to all points in Montana.

2. **Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity**

**T-16.32.PCN - Mountain Moving & Storage, LLC dba Two Men & A Truck,
706 The Townes, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406**

Class B - Household goods in rate regulated service between all points and places in Flathead, Lake, Lincoln and Sanders Counties Montana.

3. **Sale and Transfer of Operating Authority**

T-16.33.ST – Transfer of PSC No. 372

Transferor: General Equipment Supply and Rental Company dba Montana Moving and Storage, P O Box 1786, Great Falls, Montana 59403

Transferee: Landco, LLC, 700 Sandpiper Drive, Great Falls, Montana 59404

4. **T-16.34.ST - Transfer of PSC No. 9260**

Transferor: General Equipment Supply and Rental Company dba Montana Moving and Storage, P O Box 1786, Great Falls, Montana 59403

Transferee: Landco, LLC, 700 Sandpiper Drive, Great Falls, Montana 59404

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

N2016.10.82 - Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana - IN THE MATTER OF Citizens Telecommunications Company d/b/a Frontier Communications of Montana - Operator Services

N2016.10.83 – Qwest Corporation - IN THE MATTER OF Qwest Corporation Public Notice of Change(s) for Copper Retirements, 47 C.F.R. Section 51.332; No. 788

D2016.10.84 – Qwest Corporation - IN THE MATTER OF the Type 2, two-way Wireless Interconnection Agreement between Triangle Communications System, Inc. ("WSP") and Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC for the State of Montana