

*Montana PSC – One Week Calendar of Scheduled Events
(This is not an official schedule of PSC activities)*

June 13 – 17, 2022

MONDAY 13	11:00 AM – Legislative Consumer Committee – State Capitol – Zoom Video Conference.
TUESDAY 14	<p>9:00 AM – WEEKLY SCHEDULING MEETING (Commission Conference Room) (No web/audio feed)</p> <p>9:30 AM – BUSINESS MEETING (Bollinger Conference Room)</p> <p>Call To Order</p> <p>Pledge of Allegiance</p> <p>Public Comment – Please follow the directions under ‘Public Involvement’ on the Agenda</p> <p>Action Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of May 31, 2022 <p>Work Sessions</p> <p>All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action at the Commission’s Business Meeting this week:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2020.03.033 – Commission Initiated – Montana Energy Impact Assistance Act Rulemaking – To consider a draft notice of adoption. 2. 2021.07.098 – NorthWestern Energy – Unreflected Gas Cost Account Balance and Projected Gas Cost and Gas Transportation Adjustment Clause Balance True up – Act on Interim Order. 3. 2021.09.118 – Commission Initiated – PURPA Rulemaking – To consider a draft notice of proposed rulemaking. 4. 2021.12.134 – Caithness Beaver Creek, LLC – CBC’s Petition to set Terms and Conditions of a Power Purchase Agreement – To consider a draft final order. 5. Litigation Status Update - Commission Initiated - To provide an update on currently pending litigation and discuss litigation strategy. Closed to the public. (No web/audio feed). <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Note: the presiding officer of any meeting may close the meeting during the time discussion relates to a matter of litigation and/or litigation strategy and the presiding officer determines the need to protect agency litigation decision making and discussion exceeds the merits of public disclosure. The discussion in this closed session will involve discussions and decision-making related to ongoing litigation in which the agency is involved as a party. Accordingly, as the presiding officer of this meeting, I am closing this meeting to the public.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>– President Brown</i></p>
WEDNESDAY 15	11:30 AM – Interim Budget Committee Section D meeting at the Capitol Building, Room 317.
THURSDAY 16	1:00 PM – Informational Meeting – NWE – Enhanced Wildfire Plan in the Bollinger Conference Room.
FRIDAY 17	

***Next Commission Business Meeting Tuesday, June 21, 2022**

MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

AGENDA NO. 2022-06-14

Date Published: June 10, 2022

For Week Commencing: June 13, 2022

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

Commission Meetings:

Commission Scheduling Meeting: Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 9:00 A.M.

Commission Business Meeting: Tuesday, June 14, 2022, 9:30 A.M.

Action Items

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1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Patricia)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of May 31, 2022.

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Other Meetings

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Notice Items: All items identified below are noticed for public involvement purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the Notice, the items will be action items on a subsequent Agenda. Public Comments on this Agenda’s items need to be submitted within 5 calendar days following publication of this Agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter must be submitted within the required deadline provided in the Notice. Please refer to the “Public Involvement” item in this Agenda for options and assistance.

Ronan Telephone Co. – 8YY Access Charge 2022.05.054 (Mike)

On May 17, 2022, Ronan Telephone Company (“Ronan”) filed with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a reduction to its Originating Toll Access Charge to comply with the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) Order 20–143. The filing is available on the Commission website, or available at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments or request additional process in this matter to the Commission no later than July 20, 2022, through the Commission website, or by mail at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620–2601.

CenturyTel dba CenturyLink. – 8YY Access Charge 2022.06.058 (Mike)

On May 25, 2022, CenturyTel dba CenturyLink filed with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a reduction to its Originating Toll Access Charge and a reduction to charge for an 800 Data Base Access Charge, in order to comply with the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) Order 20–143. The filing is available on the Commission website, or available at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments or request additional process in this matter to the Commission no later than July 20, 2022, through the Commission website, or by mail at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620–2601.

CenturyLink dba Qwest. – 8YY Access Charge 2022.06.059 (Mike)

On May 25, 2022, CenturyLink dba Qwest filed with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a reduction to its Originating Toll Access Charge and a reduction to charge for an 800 Data Base Access Charge, in order to comply with the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) Order 20–143. The filing is available on the Commission website, or available at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments or request additional process in this matter to the

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CENEX PIPELINE, LLC 2022.06.060 (Joel)

On May 25, 2022, Cenex Pipeline LLC. (Cenex) filed MTPSC Tariff No.32 cancelling MTPSC Tariff No. 31. Cenex is proposing a new rate in cents per barrel for transportation on its pipeline from:

- Laurel – Yellowstone County, Montana to Billings – Yellowstone County, Montana 31.91.
- Laurel – Yellowstone County, Montana to Glendive – Dawson County, Montana 134.18.
- Billings – Yellowstone County, Montana to Glendive – Dawson County, Montana 134.18.

This filing is made in accordance with the 2022 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Oil Pipeline Index.

Hot Springs Tel. Co. – 8YY Access Charge 2022.06.062 (Mike)

On May 17, 2022, Hot Springs Telephone Company filed with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a reduction to its Originating Toll Access Charge to comply with the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) Order 20–143. The filing is available on the Commission website, or available at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments or request additional process in this matter to the Commission no later than July 20, 2022, through the Commission website, or by mail at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620–2601.

Transportation Notice Items: Motor carriers with proper standing may protest Applications. Protests related to an Application for Class A 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 under the Transportation tab found at <https://psc.mt.gov/Regulated-Utilities/Compliance-Materials>. 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.

None

Protective Orders – Notice Items: The Commission has received the following requests for Protective Order(s) 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 website <http://psc.mt.gov>.

None

Protective Orders – Information Items: The Commission has issued the following Protective Order(s). These Order(s) may be challenged pursuant to Mont. Admin. R. 38.2.5008. Copies of the Order(s) may be viewed on the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>.

None

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

None

New Regulatory Filings Received in Past Week:

- 2022.06.061 – Tariff Filings – Philips 66 Pipeline, LLC
- 2022.06.062 – Hot Springs Telephone Company revised Access Tariff – Hot Springs Telephone Company
- 2022.06.063 – Energy West Montana's Application for an Order Approving Its reconciliation of the collections and disbursements – Energy West Montana Inc.
- 2022.06.064 – NorthWestern Energy's Application for Approval of Corporate Restructuring to Enhance Protections of Utility Customers – NorthWestern Energy Inc. (Northwestern Energy)
- 2022.06.065 – NorthWestern Energy's Application for an Order Making Interim Adjustments Final and to Reconcile the Collection of Gas Costs – NorthWestern Energy Inc. (Northwestern Energy)

New Transportation Filings Received in Past Week:

None

General Information: This is the Commission's Agenda for the week designated above. The agenda is posted a week in advance on the public information bulletin board at the Commission's office, is emailed to all persons who have requested notice by email and is posted on the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>.

Public Involvement: The Commission invites the public's involvement in its proceedings. Options are:

- (1) provide written comments at the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>, select "Documents & Proceedings" Tab; select "Comment on a Proceeding," select "Continue as Guest," complete form, select "Submit."

(2) get on the Commission's "Watch List" for a Docket at the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>, select "EDDI" icon on the main page, create an account for "ePass", under "Watch List" Tab enter the Docket number—the Commission's case you are interested in following;

(3) watch the meeting's "Live Webcast" from your computer at <http://psc.mt.gov/livestream>;

(4) attend a Commission meeting in person and provide comments;

(5) attend a Commission meeting via Zoom to provide public comment:

- a. Please call the Commission's toll-free number at 1-800-646-6150 by 4:30 p.m. on the day before the scheduled Business Meeting.
- b. You will need to provide your name; the docket number or a description of the docket on which you wish to provide comment; your phone number; and your email address.
- c. You will be given an identifier, such as "Commenter 1, 2, etc." This identifier will be how you are recognized to provide public comment during the business meeting.
- d. Public commenters will make comment only once near the beginning of the business meeting. Commenters are welcome to remain online to listen to the entire meeting.
- e. You may also provide written comments as outlined in paragraph (1) under "Public Involvement." These comments are not made publicly available but are provided to the docket work team and Commissioners.

(6) sign up on the Commission's "Email List" to receive Notices by email for the following categories: Rules, Motor Carrier, Energy West Applications, MCC & PSC Taxes, Montana-Dakota Utilities Applications, NorthWestern Energy Applications, PSC Orders, Telecommunications Applications, PSC Agendas, and PSC Hearings.

(7) mail or deliver written comments to the Commission's office, 1701 Prospect Ave., P.O. Box 202601, Helena, MT 59620-2601;

(8) contact your District's Commissioner; and

(9) contact the Commission's Consumer Assistance staff at 1-800-646-6150 or email pschelp@mt.gov. They are happy to assist you!

Live Webcast: Visit <http://psc.mt.gov/livestream> to watch live stream of Commission meetings and hearings.

Inquiries: For general inquiries concerning this Agenda, contact Patricia Trooien at (406) 444-6199 or the Commission's Consumer Assistance Staff at 1-800-646-6150.

Accommodations for Individuals: Individuals needing accommodations to attend or participate at a Commission meeting or hearing may contact the Commission's Consumer Assistance Staff at 1-800-646-6150 or by email pschelp@mt.gov prior to the meeting or hearing. The Commission will make every effort to provide assistance.