

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

March 6 – 10, 2023

MONDAY 06	9:00 AM – Legislative Work Session – Placeholder to discuss bills impacting the PSC.
TUESDAY 07	<p>9:00 AM – WEEKLY SCHEDULING MEETING (Commission Conference Room, No web/audio feed)</p> <p>9:30 AM – BUSINESS MEETING (Bollinger Conference Room, live streamed and recorded)</p> <p>Call To Order</p> <p>Pledge of Allegiance</p> <p>Roll Call</p> <p>Public Comment – Please follow the directions under ‘Public Involvement’ on the Agenda</p> <p>Announcements</p> <p>Action Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of February 6, 2023. 2. Approval of the Commission Legislative Work Session Minutes for February 27, 2023 3. Approval of Staff Out-Of-State Travel <p>Work Sessions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NorthWestern Energy’s 2023 Electric Integrated Resource Plan – Commission Initiated – Draft request for proposals for a planning consultant to assist the Commission in evaluating NorthWestern Energy’s 2023 Electric Integrated Resource Plan – To discuss issuing the request for proposals. 2. Commission Travel Update – Commission Initiated – To provide the public an update on commissioner travel and how the same benefited the agency – To have Commissioners who have traveled provide an update to the public on the purpose of commissioner’s travel in conformance with agency blue book policy and how the same benefited the agency. 3. Legislative Update – To discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process, and general agency concerns; discuss PSC budget requests/presentation; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. <p>1:00 PM – DK# 2021.04.053 – Second Intervention Rulemaking Hearing regarding the Commission’s Intervention rules (MAR 38-2-258) in the Bollinger Conference Room, live streamed and recorded.</p>
WEDNESDAY 08	9:00 AM – Legislative Work Session – Placeholder to discuss bills impacting the PSC.
THURSDAY 09	<p>9:00 AM – Legislative Work Session – Placeholder to discuss bills impacting the PSC.</p> <p>TBD – DK#2023.01.009 –Status Conference – Clydesdale Junk Removal – Bollinger Conference Room, live streamed and recorded.</p>
FRIDAY 10	9:00 AM – Legislative Work Session – Placeholder to discuss bills impacting the PSC.

***Next Commission Business Meeting Tuesday, March 14, 2023, 9:30 AM.**

MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

AGENDA NO. 2023.03.07

Date Published: March 03, 2023

For Week Commencing: March 06, 2023

Place of Meetings:

All meetings are held at the Public Service Commission Bollinger Conference Room, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

Commission Meetings:

Commission Scheduling Meeting: March 07, 2023, 9:00 AM.

Commission Business Meeting: March 07, 2023, 9:30 AM.

Action Items

All items identified below are for action at the Commission's Business Meeting this week:

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Patricia Trooien)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of February 20, 2023.

2. Approval of Commission Legislative Work Session Minutes (Patricia Trooien)

Approval of the Commission Legislative Work Session Minutes for February 27, 2023.

3. Approval of Staff Out-Of-State Travel (Will Rosquist)

Staff requests approval for Dan Sherwood to travel to St Louis, MO April 10 – 14, 2023, to attend mandatory FRA recurrency/certification rail safety training. In addition to continuing education regarding MP&E specific inspection and surveillance practices and procedures, Dan will also attend meetings of the Association of State Rail Safety Managers.

Work Sessions

All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action at the Commission's Business Meeting this week:

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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>.

Federal Executive Agencies (2022.07.078) (Dan Polkow)

On February 23, 2023, Federal Executive Agencies (“FEA”) filed a motion for a protective order regarding copyrighted information from numerous third parties. The third parties consider the information to be proprietary in nature. FEA asserts that the confidential information is a trade secret, and public disclosure of the information would impair the competitive business of the third parties.

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*.

1. 2/21/2023 – Received new telecommunications registration from Masergy Cloud Communications, Inc.

New Regulatory Filings Received in Past Week:

1. 2023.02.017 – Croft Petroleum Co. – Request to Cancel License.
2. 2023.02.018 – Public Service Commission – City Service Valcon.

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 <login.mt.gov>, 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!

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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.

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