

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

July 17 - 21, 2023

MONDAY 17	NARUC Summer Policy Summit, Austin, TX.
TUESDAY 18	No Business Meeting NARUC Summer Policy Summit, Austin, TX.
WEDNESDAY 19	NARUC Summer Policy Summit, Austin, TX.
THURSDAY 20	
FRIDAY 21	

***Next Commission Business Meeting Tuesday, July 25, 2023.**

MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

AGENDA NO. 2023-07-18

Date Published: July 14, 2023

For Week Commencing: July 17, 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:

No Scheduling, Business – Informational Only
There will be no Action or Work Session items.

Action Items

None

Work Sessions

None

Other Meetings

1. July 16 – 19, 2023 – NARUC Summer Policy Summit, Austin, TX.

Notice Items: All items identified below are noticed for public involvement purposes. Public Comments on this Agenda's items need to be submitted within 5 calendar days following publication of this Agenda, or as provided in the Notice. Please refer to the "Public Involvement" item in this Agenda for options and assistance.

1. NorthWestern Corporation 2023.07.062 Dan Polkow

On June 30, 2023, NorthWestern Corporation d/b/a NorthWestern Energy ("NorthWestern") filed an application seeking authority to issue some or all of the following kinds of securities not to exceed in the aggregate \$1.75 billion: (1) equity securities not to exceed \$600 million, including, without limitation, common stock, preferred stock, convertible or unconvertible preferred securities, and hybrid securities issuable directly or indirectly by the NorthWestern; (2) secured debt securities, not to exceed \$550 million, including, without limitation: (i) one or more series of First Mortgage Bonds to be issued under NorthWestern's Montana mortgage; (ii) one or more series of First Mortgage Bonds to be issued under NorthWestern's South Dakota mortgage; (iii) other secured debt securities; (3) unsecured debt securities, not to exceed \$600 million, including, without limitation, subordinated or unsubordinated unsecured debentures, debt securities, notes, commercial paper or other forms of unsecured indebtedness. NorthWestern seeks an order from the Commission authorizing NorthWestern to

issue, as NorthWestern deems necessary, the above-identified securities over approximately two years, through August 15, 2025. The proceeds of these issuances will be used to support state-regulated capital expenditures and acquisitions of state-regulated assets, the refunding and repayment of its outstanding obligations, and other general corporate purposes.

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. Protest forms are available on the Commission’s website under Regulated Utilities, Compliance Materials, Transportation. See <https://psc.mt.gov/docs/Transportation/pdf/Protest-to-Application-for-Certificate-of-Compliance.pdf> and <https://psc.mt.gov/docs/Transportation/pdf/COC-app-2015class-E.pdf>. 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.

1. MT Roll Offs, LLC 2023.07.064 Gwen Knight

On June 20, 2023, MT Roll Offs, LLC, submitted its Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. On June 29, 2023, MT Roll Offs provided more specific information to its application. MT Rolls Offs seeks authority as a Class D motor carrier to transport garbage, refuse, and all types of solid waste to, from, and between all points and places in Yellowstone, Carbon, Stillwater, Musselshell, and Golden Valley Counties, but would look for opportunities to recycle or reuse certain construction and demolition materials.

2. Butte Roll Offs, Inc. 2023.07.065 Jackie Crepeau

On June 26, 2023, Butte Roll Offs, Inc., submitted its Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Butte Roll Offs seeks authority as a Class D motor carrier to transport garbage between all points and places within Silver Bow County, within Butte, Montana, and within a 15-mile radius of Butte, Montana.

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*.

1. 6/20/2023 - Received new telecommunications registration from Podium Voice, LLC

New Regulatory Dockets Received in Past Week:

1. 2023.06.056	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.	MDU's Application for Authority to Issue Debt
2. 2023.06.057	Energy West Montana Inc.	Application for Approval of a Gas Cost Hedging Plan
3. 2023.06.058	Energy West Montana Inc.	Authority to Increase Natural Gas Delivery Service Rates
4. 2023.07.059	ABACO Energy Services LLC	Propane Cost Tracker for 6/1/2022-5/31/2023
5. 2023.07.060	G & G Garbage LLC, Kurtz Sanitation Inc.	Request for Approval G&G Garbage, LLC Lease
6. 2023.07.061	NorthWestern Energy	NWE's 2023 Avoided Cost Information Compliance
7. 2023.07.062	NorthWestern Energy	Petition of NorthWestern for Authority to Issue Securities
8. 2023.07.063	Montana Public Service Commission	Christopher Morgan Complaint Against NorthWestern Energy
9. 2023.07.064	MT Roll Offs LLC	MT Roll Offs PCN Application
10.2023.07.065	Butte Roll Offs Inc	Butte Roll Offs Application for Class D PCN
11.2023.07.066	Montana Public Service Commission	Cease and Desist Freedom Cleaning and Removal

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- (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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