

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 10- 07-13**

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Commission Meeting: July 13, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Kate)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of July 5, 2010

2. CenturyLink N2010.6.68 (Scott)

On June 26, CenturyLink filed Advice No. 10-10. In this filing CenturyLink is introducing two new business customer incentive programs save offers. The Company is requesting an effective date of July 28, 2010. Probable Motion: Accept CenturyLink Advice No. 10-10, in Docket N2010.6.68.

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

1. Placeholder – D2010.2.14 – Doty, et al vs. NorthWestern Energy – Formal Complaint on Streetlighting - Consider and rule on Complainants’ Motion for Reconsideration of the Commission’s order dismissing the complaint for the lack of standing. (7/13/10)
2. N2009.9.122 - Montana Dakota Utilities Integrated Resource Plan – Summary of MDU’s 2009 IRP and set public hearing date for August 19, 2010. (7/13/10)
3. Potential PSC Legislation – Discuss possible PSC legislation to be taken to the Energy & Telecommunications Interim Committee’s July 28-29 meeting. (7/13/10)
4. **7/14/10 – 9:30 a.m.** - D2008.8.95 – NorthWestern Energy – Mill Creek Generation Station Application – Update on status of Mill Creek Generation Station by PSC consultant Walt Drabinski (Bollinger Room)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

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 the next following agenda or 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.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Any person wanting a copy of a protective order request should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

1. NorthWestern Energy N2010.6.57 (AI)

On July 7, 2010, NorthWestern Energy (NWE) filed a Motion for a Protective Order to govern access to certain information to be filed in this docket. Specifically NWE seeks protection for its “business strategy for future market purchases,” including information that “details specific percentages of forecasted electric supply that will be purchased,” “the timelines on which the purchases are to occur,” and the “trigger points at which NWE proposes to purchase supply in corresponding percentages for future delivery.”

2. CenturyLink/Qwest merger D2010.5.55 (Jim)

On July 6, 2010, CenturyTel of Montana, Inc. dba CenturyLink (Movant) filed its request for a protective order seeking to protect from public disclosure the following categories of information:

Category 1—specific service customer statistics—detailed compilation of the number of customers purchasing various types of access lines and specific services.

Category 2—non-public financial information—information that movant is prohibited by SEC regulations from disclosing on a selective basis.

Category 3—competitive Information—information revealing movant's competitive position or assessments of markets.

Category 4—service cost information—analysis of specific service costs.

3. CenturyLink/Qwest merger D2010.5.55 (Jim)

On July 6, 2010, Qwest Corporation (Movant) filed its request for a protective order seeking to protect from public disclosure the following categories of information:

Category 1—specific service customer statistics—detailed compilation of the number of customers purchasing the major types access lines and specific services.

Category 2—non-public financial information—information that movant is prohibited by SEC regulations from disclosing on a selective basis.

Category 3—competitive information---information revealing movant's competitive position or assessments of markets.

Category 4—service cost information—analysis of specific service costs.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be obtained by calling the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

1. **Qwest Corporation Multi State and Individual Case Basis Agreements**

Any qualified person who signs a non-disclosure agreement pursuant to the term protective Order No. 6999 in Docket No. D2009.5.60 may review the following agreements at the Commission's offices, 1701 Prospect Ave. Helena, MT, 59620, or at Qwest's office, 441 North Park Avenue, Helena, Mt. 59601. If any interested party has reason to believe that Qwest's prices are below relevant costs in the agreements, the interested party may file an objection with the Commission within 30 days of the date of this notice (please see Qwest Alternative Form of Regulation (AFOR) Docket No. D2008.1.3, Order No. 6889n, Joint Stipulation).

1.) Qwest Corporation/Montana Independent Health Alliance - Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and the Montana Independent Health Alliance (MIHA) have signed an ICB Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to MIHA.

1.) Qwest Corporation/CC Services, Inc. - Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and CC Services, Inc. have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to CC Services, Inc.

New Filings Received in Past Week