

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 16-1-25**

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For Work Week Commencing: January 25, 2016  
Commission Meeting: Monday, January 25, 2016, 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 (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of January 18, 2016.

2. Out-of-state Staff Travel (Mandi)

Staff requests approval for Mandi Hinman to travel to Toronto, Ontario, Canada to attend The Government Finance Officers Association Annual Conference. The conference runs from May 22 to May 25 and is put on by the Government Finance Officers Association.

3. Medical Transportation Services TN2646 (Brenda)

Medical Transportation Services dba Northern Cheyenne Board of Health, Lame Deer, Montana requests permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9413 to Lame Deer Health Center, Lame Deer, Montana for a one year period January 15, 2016 to January 15, 2017. Probable Motion: Approve the continued lease of PSC No. 9413.

Class B - Medical patients of the Northern Cheyenne Board of Health between all points and places in Big Horn, Flathead, Jefferson, Glacier, Roosevelt, Rosebud and Yellowstone County. LIMITATIONS: (1) Transportation must originate or terminate in Rosebud County. (2) Transportation in limousine vehicles is prohibited.

4. Black Hills Power D2015.12.98 (Scott)

On December 18, 2015, BHP filed a Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider application. A Notice of Opportunity for Public Hearing was issued on December 31, 2015. Requests for hearing were due by January 25, 2016. No requests have been received. This application will increase revenues by \$1,024 over the base cost of fuel approved in Docket No. 83.4.25. A default order has been drafted. Probable Motion: Grant BHP's Quarterly Fuel Rate Rider application.

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

1. T-15.47.COC – Aneta Jones – Discuss application, response to the Order to Show Cause, and receive direction. (1/25/16)
2. D2015.11.87, D2015.11.88, and D2015.11.89 – Black Hills Power, Inc. – Discuss and act on approval of final rate. (1/25/16)
3. D2015.9.70 – Havre Pipeline Company – Discuss and act on consolidating D2015.9.70 and D2013.7.56; identify additional issues; set procedure. (1/25/16)
4. Placeholder – D2015.10.81 – NorthWestern Energy – Discuss and act on Final Order. (1/25/16)
5. PSC – Present Regulatory Division Action Plan. (1/25/16)
6. D2014.12.99 – Liberty Utilities Co. – Discuss and act on Joint Applicants' Notice of Closing and Withdrawal of Joint Application. (1/29/16)

### **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.

1. HLH, LLC N2016.1.7 (Scott)

On January 12, 2016, HLH, LLC requested to replace Sheet 1 Gen and sheet 7 with sheet 1 Gen, Revision 1. This is a housekeeping filing. HLH, LLC requests this to be effective March 1, 2016.

**Protective Orders – Notice Items** The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 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 ARM 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**

D2016.1.8 – NorthWestern Energy - IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's Hydroelectric Facilities Purchase Compliance Filing

D2016.1.9 – NorthWestern Energy - IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's Tracking and Disclosure of State and Local Taxes and Fees Paid by Customers

D2016.1.10 – Five Valley Gas, Inc. - Monthly Gas Tracker Adjustment for Propane Service in its Seeley Lake MT Service Area Effective for the Period January through December 2016