

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 98-5-26**

Date Prepared: May 21, 1998

For Work Week Commencing: May 26, 1998

Business Meeting Date & Time: May 26, 1998, 10:00 a.m.

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

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

1. USWC Docket D97.7.125 - Flexible Pricing - Discuss issues for the order (5/27/98)
2. USWC Docket D97.5.87 - (271 filing) Continuing work sessions throughout the week to address matters as they may arise (5/27/98)
3. Consultant services for AT&T/USW interconnection contract (5/27/98)
4. L-97.1-RUL - SB396 rules gas restructuring - Further discussion and action on rules as necessary, if necessary (5/27/98)
5. AT&T/USWC Docket D96.11.200 - Consider most recent petitions for reconsideration (5/27/98)
6. USWC Docket N98.3.65 - Service quality penalty fund - Discuss recommendations for spending the money (5/27/98)
7. Ronan Telephone Docket N98.2.36 - Motion for reconsideration and alternative application for detariffing of DS1 (5/27/98)

8. Utilities preparation for the Year 2000 date change - Pose the question: What are the utilities doing (5/27/98)
9. Wattage Monitor - Discuss response to wattage monitor (5/27/98)
10. Weekly Scheduling Meeting - Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

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

1. U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.5.102 (Tina)

On May 7, 1998, USWC filed Tariff Transmittal 98-22 to correct an error in the side-bar coding in regard to Extension Mailbox.

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, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. CENEX INC. - Docket D98.5.99 (Joel)

On May 6, 1998 Cenex, Inc. filed for Commission approval of new tariffs reflecting its official name change from Cenex, Inc. to Cenex Harvest States Cooperatives. The existing rates, for all tariffs, will remain the same.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 98-5-26

New Filings Received in Past Week

Docket D98.5.106 Park Electric Cooperative-Electric Service Territory
Agreement
Docket D98.5.107 Montand Dakota Utilities-Security Issue