

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 04-09-14**

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For Work Week Commencing: September 13, 2004
Commission Meeting: September 14, 2004, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.state.mt.us>.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room)

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

Public Comments

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

1. MCI N2004.8.139 (Scott)

On August 25, 2004 MCI filed a revision to its Montana Tariff No.2. MCI is requesting to add new language to Advanced Option II for small Business saving Plan XII, XIII, XIV and XV.

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

1. N2004.8.125 – PSC Initiated – Request Approval of New Rate Caps for Period October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005. (9/14/04)
2. Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Public Notice Seeking Comments on Certain of the Commission's Rules Relating to High-Cost Universal Service Support. (9/14/04)
3. D2002.10.126 - Montana Public Service Commission – Discuss and Act on Proposed Settlement for the Cramming Complaint against GoInternet.net. (9/14/04)
4. D2004.7.112 – Blackfoot Communications and OneEighty Communications – Require Qwest Communications to Honor Existing Interconnection Agreements. (9/14/04)
5. 4 State Letter to BPA – Discuss Signing on to the Letter. (9/14/04)
6. Staff Out-of-State Travel. (9/14/04)
7. NorthWestern Energy Bankruptcy – Placeholder to Report on and Get Direction on Any Matter Related to the Bankruptcy. (9/14/04)

Other Meetings**9/15/04 – 9:00 a.m. Lifeline/Linkup Workshop – (Bollinger Room)**

Weekly Scheduling – Will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the day of the Commission Meeting

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1. CenturyTel, N2004.9.142 (Scott)

On Aug 31, 2004 CenturyTel of Montana filed tariff transmittal No-04-5. With this filing CenturyTel is proposing to offer an additional line promotion. During the period October 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, the company will waive the nonrecurring charges applicable to the installation of additional lines at the same premise.

2. Qwest Communications, N2004.9.144 (Scott)

On September 3, 2004, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 04-016, Primary Rate Service (PRS)/Digital Switched Service (DSS) promotion. During the promotion period from October 4, 2004 through December 31, 2004, Qwest is offering a special price on ISDN PRS, Advanced DSS, and Basic DSS on bulk rate 36-month term commitments. This PRS/DSS promotion is only available to retail and wholesale business customers.

3. QWEST SERVICES CORPORATION N2004.9.143 (Leroy)

On September 2, 2004, Qwest Services Corporation filed Tariff Transmittal 04-015, Residence and Business Competitive Response Promotions. This is a proposal to conduct 90-day Residence and Business Competitive Response Promotions in Montana. Because of the concerns of the Commission and Consumer Counsel expressed in Docket D2000.2.21, Qwest will be tracking and providing the following confidential information to the Commission on a monthly basis during the promotion, under the terms of the general protective order on file with the Commission: Customer Account Information, Total monthly value of incentives, Lists of service to which waivers/credits are applied, Total monthly customer revenues generated under these programs for Montana. Qwest is requesting an October 4, 2004 effective date and for the promotion to run through December 31, 2004.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2004.9.143 – Qwest – Tariff Transmittal 04-015 – Residence and Business Competitive Response

N2004.9.144 – Qwest – Tariff Transmittal 04-016 – PRS/DSS 4Q04 Promotions

D2004.9.145 – Mountain Water Company – Application for Authority to Increase Rates and charges for Water Service to its, Missoula, Montana Customers

N2004.9.146 – Qwest Corporation – Petition for Amendment of Administrative Rule