

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 05-12-06**

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For Work Week Commencing: December 5, 2005
Commission Meeting: December 6, 2005, 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>.

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

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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.

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

1. D2005.10.157 – Complaint of Biegel v. Qwest – Formal complaint – Report on response/satisfaction, dismiss complaint and close docket. (12/6/05)
2. D2004.1.7 – Sagebrush Cellular – ETC application – Last review of final order as necessary, certification as ETC. (12/6/05)

3. Staff out-of-state travel – Approve Candace Beery’s travel to Portland, OR for January 9 Grid West meeting. (12/6/05)

Other Meetings

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

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. Sprint Communications N2005.11.168 (Scott)

On November 18, 2005, Sprint filed changes to its Montana PSC Price List No. 1. This filing proposes to make various housekeeping changes to assist in standardization and clarification. No current customers are impacted by the changes in this filing.

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.

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

1. NorthWestern Energy, Natural Gas Procurement Plan,
PSC Docket N2005.6.101, Order No. 6683a, November 17, 2005

2. NorthWestern Energy, Qualifying Facility Avoided Costs, PSC Dockets D2003.7.86, D2004.6.96, D2005.6.103, Order No. 6501d, November 18, 2005
3. NorthWestern Energy, Qualifying Facility Avoided Costs, PSC Dockets D2003.7.86, D2004.6.96, D2005.6.103, Order No. 6501e, November 18, 2005
4. WWC Holding Co., Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carrier, PSC Docket D2003.1.14, Order No. 6492c, November 17, 2005

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week