

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 06-01-10**

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For Work Week Commencing: January 9, 2006
Commission Meeting: January 10, 2006, 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. Qwest Services Corporation N2005.12.180 (Kim)

On December 28, 2005 Qwest filed for Commission approval a Master Service Agreement between Qwest and Cendant Operations, Inc. This filing was submitted pursuant to Section 2.18, *Volume and Term Discounts to Large Business Customers with a Multi-State Presence*, of Qwest's Exchange and Network Services Tariffs. The MSA is the result of a competitive bidding process to provide Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Service (ISDN PRS) and ISDN Single Line Service and/or Digital Switched Flat-Rate Business Line service. Probable motion Approve the MSA

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

1. N2005.9.139 – MDU 2005 Integrated Resource Plan – Act on request by DEQ for extension of comment period. (1/10/06)

2. D2004.12.202 – Five Valleys Gas Company General Propane Rate Case – Discussion, direction, action on stipulation. (1/10/06)
3. D2005.11.165 – Vigilante Electric Cooperative and NWE Exclusive Service Agreement – Discussion, direction, action on exclusive service agreement. (1/10/06)
4. N2005.6.101 – NWE Natural Gas Procurement Guidelines – Discussion, direction, action on proposed guidelines. (1/10/06)
5. D2005.11.163, D2005.11.164 – Utility Solutions, LLC Interim Initial Rates – Interim Rate Relief. (1/10/06)
6. Organization of MISO States Board of Directors special meeting – Discuss and seek direction regarding the Organization of MISO States (OMS) comments to FERC for the Promoting Transmission Investment through Pricing Reform NOPR, Docket No. RM064. (1/10/06)
7. L-05.11.6-RUL (following N2005.10.160) – Qwest Amendment of 38.5.4111 – the PIC change charge rules – Discuss and consider adopting the amendment, as proposed or modified. (1/10/06)
8. Budget/Travel/Case Management. (1/10/06)

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. Qwest N2005.12.182 (Scott)

On December 20, 2005, Qwest Filed Tariff Transmittal 05-22. Qwest is proposing to establish a duplicate bill charge for customers request for bill reprints that are older than six months. Qwest provides Montana customers

access to six months of bills online via myqwest.com and will continue to provide paper copies of bills that are less than 6 months old at no charge.

2. CenturyTel N2005.12.175 (Scott)

On December 16, 2005, CenturyTel Filed Tariff Transmittal No. 05-08. This filing revises the Predetermined Interexchange Carrier (PIC) Change Charge. This change is due to FCC's Order in Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge in CC Docket No. 02-53, release February 17, 2005.

3. Qwest N2006.1.1 (Scott)

On January 3, 2006, Qwest filed Tariff Transmittal 06-01. Qwest previously notified the Commission that on February 24, 2005, the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) issued its decision in the Matter of Developing Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime T-Mobile et al. Petition for Declaratory Ruling regarding Incumbent LEC Wireless Termination Tariffs, CC Docket No. 01-92. To comply with the FCC's order, Qwest request to withdraw Section 20, Facilities for Radio Carriers. References to DID numbers for CMRS, currently residing in Section 20, will be moved to Section 5; Direct-Inward-Dialing (DID) Services.

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

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2005.12.181 – Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative – Application for Designation as an ETC in the Lewistown, MT Exchange
 N2005.12.182 – Qwest Services Corporation – TT 05-22 – Duplicate Bill Charge
 N2006.1.1 – Qwest Services Corporation – Tariff Transmittal 06-01 – Withdraws Section 20 Facilities for Radio Carriers