

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 16-11-10**

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For Work Week Commencing: November 7, 2016  
Commission Scheduling Meeting: Thursday, November 10, 2016, 9:00 a.m.  
Commission Business Meeting: Thursday, November 10, 2016, 9:30 a.m.

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

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Sandy)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of October 31, 2016.

2. SAGE ENERGY TRADING, LLC N2016.9.71 (Joel)

On September 20, 2016, Sage Energy Trading, LLC. filed an application with the Commission for a Natural Gas Supplier License to serve large industrial customers in the State of Montana. Sage Energy Trading has met the requirements for a gas supplier license. Probable Motion: Staff recommends approval.

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

1. Website/Case Management Proposal – To further discuss and act on moving forward with website/case management proposal. (11/10/16)

**Other Meetings**

11/9/2016 – 9:00 AM – D2016.7.56 Crazy Mountain Wind Hearing (Bollinger Room)

11/10/2016 – 12:00 PM – D2016.7.56 Crazy Mountain Wind Hearing (Bollinger Room)

**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 a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments, either by mail or hand delivery, 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 via the PSC's public comment email, [psc\\_utilitycomment@mt.gov](mailto:psc_utilitycomment@mt.gov). A comment form may be downloaded at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. Frontier Communications of Montana N2016.10.82 (Tina)

On October 19, 2016, Frontier Communications of Montana filed Advice Letter No. MT-16-04. The purpose of this filing is to introduce a variety of operator services for business and residential customers. Frontier requests that this filing become effective November 20, 2016.

2. Hot Springs Telephone Company – Revised/Corrected Intrastate Carrier Access Tariffs N2016.4.36 (Gary)

On October 13, 2016 Hot Spring Telephone Company (HSTC) filed proposed revised/corrected intrastate carrier switched access tariffs to correct errors made in previous filings and to make some house keepings changes. Specifically, HSTC is making modifications to PSC Tariff Sections 7.3 and 6.9.2.

3. NorthWestern Energy D2016.9.68 (Jennifer)

NorthWestern Energy filed a *Motion for Protective Order* on November 1, 2016. NorthWestern Energy is seeking to protect state and federal income taxes for 2014 and 2015.

**Transportation Notice Items:** Motor carriers with proper standing may protest applications. Protests related to an application for Class A, B, and E passenger authority is limited to a protest of the motor carrier's ability to meet the requirements of Mont. Code Ann. §§ 69-12-323(5) and 69-12-415. Protests must be in writing and mailed to the following address: Montana Public Service Commission, Regulatory Division, PO Box 202601, Helena, MT 59620-2601 and postmarked by **November 24, 2016**. Protests must include the proper fee, as required by Mont. Admin. R. 38.3.402(c), and conform to the requirements at Mont. Admin. R. 38.3.405 or 38.3.406 as applicable. A protest form is available on the Commission's website at <http://psc.mt.gov/transportation>. If no written protests are received by the deadline, the Commission may issue a final order on the application without a public hearing, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 69-12-321.

1. North of Yellowstone Shuttle & Charter, LLC, T-16.35.COC (Brenda)  
Class B- Passengers in rate regulated service between all points and places within the state of Montana.

**Protective Orders – Notice Items:** The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to Mont. Admin. R. 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 Mont. Admin. R. 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 Regulatory Filings Received in Past Week**

D2016.10.85 – CenturyTel of Montana, Inc. – IN THE MATTER OF the Interconnection Agreement between CenturyTel dba CenturyLink and BCN Telecom, Inc. for the State of Montana

#### **New Transportation Filings Received in Past Week**

1. Certificate of Compliance - North of Yellowstone Shuttle & Charter, LLC, P O Box 366, Livingston, Montana 59047 T-16.35.COC

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