



34th National Conference of Regulatory Attorneys

June 5-8, 2011; Missoula, Montana

Tentative Agenda

Please note changes to the agenda are possible.

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2011

12:00 – 6:00 p.m.

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Registration

NCRA Alumni Association Meeting

Subcommittee on Law Meeting

Subcommittee on ALJ Meeting

Reception

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2011

7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

8:15 – 8:30 a.m.

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

Introduction to Conference, Welcoming Remarks

Session I: The State of Regulation: Is Anyone Currently Winning?

Service Quality v. Service Options; Profits v. Cost of Service; Utilities v. Consumer

Session II: Washington Report

Break

Session III: Gas Panel: Too Much Gas?

Status report on Marcellus, Western Shale, and Gulf Supplies; Who's using all the gas; How long will low prices be with us; Gas v. electric car; who will win and why

9:30 – 10:15 a.m.

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Lunch

Session IV: Telecom Panel: FCC Universal Service Fund Proposal/Intercarrier Compensation

Break

Session V: The State of the Infrastructure: Is It a Mess or Not?

Deteriorating Gas, Water, and Sewage Treatment Lines and Overloaded Telephone and Electric Poles; Status, safety, plans, cost, who's to blame, and who gets the bill

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

3:30 – 3:45

3:45 – 5:15 p.m.

6:15 p.m.

Conference Banquet – Historic Florence Hotel at 111 North Higgins, walking distance from the Holiday Inn Parkside

Constructed in the 1940s, the Florence Hotel is an excellent example of Art Moderne architecture. It was constructed of gypsum and concrete, with trademark rounded corners and glass block windows, and remained a hotel until 1973. It has recently been converted to an office complex with retail businesses occupying the main floor. The NCRA banquet will be in the Governor's Room, located on the second floor.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 2011

7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

8:15 – 9:00 a.m.

Session VI: Water Utility Issues Panel

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.

Break

9:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Session VII: Ethics Presentation

11:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions Optional Activities (includes box lunch):

Are you ready to ride the real rapids of the legendary Blackfoot River, then sign up for whitewater rafting on your registration form. Cost is \$56/person. Click on the rafting company's website <http://10000-waves.com/> for a sample of the scenery you can expect.

Have something a little milder in mind, then sign up for the "Missoula Expedition" on your registration form. You will get a real taste of the Garden City with a tour of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Smokejumper Center, and concluding at a micro-brewery. Cost \$20/person (*includes first beverage at brewery*)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2011

7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

8:15 – 10:15 a.m.

Session VIII: Are We Getting Too Smart – Is your Privacy Getting Public?

How does Smart Infrastructure Work; Who collects your info, how is it collected, why is it collected, who gets to see it, and can you stop it

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Session IX: Current Issues and Legal Documents

11:30 – 12:15 p.m.

Session X: Electric Generation – What is Coming, When Will It Get Here, & What Do Lawyers Need to be Thinking About
Lunch

12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

1:30 – 3:15 p.m.

Session XI: Telecommunications – 40 years in 40 Minutes,

How Did We Get Here; followed by Broadband, the Future; What are They Building and Where and Why – Legal Challenges for All Lisa Youngers et al.

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Session XII: Electric Transmission

Who is in Charge, Federal and State Siting Issues, Will It Be Built in your Back Yard – What is a Lawyer to Do?



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Registration

To register, please follow these three steps:

	<u>Fees</u>
Registration	\$300
Monday Banquet Guest	\$35

*The following are included in the registration fee:
Sunday reception,
Monday all meals,
Tuesday breakfast and box lunch,
Wednesday breakfast and lunch.*

1) Print the below registration form

2) Fill out the form and mail to:

NCRA
c/o Montana Public Service
Commission
Post Office Box 202601
Helena, MT 59620-2601

3) Include in the envelope:

- full payment for conference, *make checks to NCRA*
- full payment for optional activities, *make checks to Justin Kraske*
- your business card

*Please note that registration and payments must be received no later than May 16, 2011. Sorry, credit card payment is not an option.
CLE Credit: NCRA will provide a Certificate of Attendance showing the approved CLE credit from a representative state.*

Name: _____ Title: _____

Agency/Organization: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Guest(s) Names: _____

Tuesday Afternoon Breakout Sessions Optional Activity: *(choose one)*

Whitewater Rafting \$56/person or Missoula Expedition \$20/person



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Hotel Information

This year's conference is at the Holiday Inn Parkside in Missoula. We have negotiated the excellent room rate of \$87 plus taxes/night. Located in downtown Missoula, it is walking distance to some of the area's best attractions and restaurants. It features stunning views of the Rocky Mountains and the spectacular Clark Fork River is right out the door. The property has spacious meeting rooms and state-of-the-art electronic options for all conference presenters. Here is the necessary information to make your reservations:



Hotel Phone: ***1-800-399-0408***
Hotel Web Page: ***National Conference of Regulatory Attorneys***
Group Code: ***CRA***
Room Cutoff Date: ***May 8, 2011***