

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 19-02-26**

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For Work Week Commencing: February 25, 2019

Commission Scheduling Meeting: Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

Commission Business Meeting: Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

General Introduction: This agenda is the Commission's agenda for the work week designated. In the beginning part of each week prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide website located at <http://psc.mt.gov>.

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

1. Approval of Commission Minutes \_\_\_\_\_ (Rhonda)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the weeks of February 11, 2019 and February 18, 2019.

2. Out-of-state-travel \_\_\_\_\_ (Will)

Staff requests approval for Jordan Voigt to travel to Pueblo, CO, March 4-8, 2019, for MP&E recurrency training, and to New Orleans, LA, for a conference of Federal Railroad Administration and state rail safety inspectors.

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

1. [N2015.10.82](#) – Wettington Water – Wettington Water District Inc.'s Application for Standard Ancillary Charges for Small Water and Sewer Utility - Discuss Wettington's failure to respond to the Commission's Order to Show Cause. (02/26/19)
2. Pipeline Safety Staff – 2018 Recap of Activities – Present the Commission with a recap of the 2018 pipeline safety activities and inspections. (02/26/19)
3. Legislative – Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process and general agency concerns; discuss PSC budget requests/presentation; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. (02/26/19)

**Other Meetings:**

1. **02/25/19, 02/27/19, 02/28/19, and 3/1/19 at 8:30 a.m. – Legislative - Discuss bills relevant to PSC mission, statutory authority, administrative process and general agency concerns; discuss PSC budget requests/presentation; consider staff analysis and recommendations; provide direction on PSC response to bills. Bollinger Room – live webcast - not archived**

**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.

None

**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 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/For-Regulated-Utilities/Compliance-Materials#undefined>. If no written protests are received by the deadline, the Commission may issue a final decision on the application (including a decision by delegation of authority to Commission staff pursuant to established internal operating procedures) without a public hearing, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 69-12-321.

None

**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>.

None

**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>.

None

**Information Items:** All items identified below are for information only.

1. 2/13/2019 - Received updated telecommunications carrier registration information from Teliax, Inc.

**New Regulatory Filings Received in Past Week:**

None

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

None

**Transportation Tariff Filings:** The Commission has received the following tariff filings for either an increase or decrease by a regulated carrier. Pursuant to Mont. Code. Ann. §69-12-504, the proposed change will take effect within 45 days from when the completed application was received. The Commission on its own initiative or upon receiving a protest, within 20 days of receiving the tariff filing, may suspend the operation of such rate, fare, charge, or classification for a period not to exceed 180 days. Mont. Code. Ann. § 69-12-505 (2017).

Yellow Cab Inc. of Missoula [T-18.58.RI](#); [T-18.59.RI](#) (Shauna)

On February 1, 2019, Yellow Cab Inc. of Missoula, 1900 West Broadway Suite E, Missoula, MT 59808 filed an application for increased rates and charges covering the transportation of passengers under PSC 482 and PSC 1633. Yellow Cab Inc. of Missoula requests to eliminate charges by zoned areas and to implement base charge \$7.00 (flag drop) which would include the first mile and metered fares of \$2.75 per mile or \$0.275 per 1/10<sup>th</sup> mile thereafter. Any travel under 12 mph is charged at a rate of \$.50 a minute. The increase would have an overall average 20.81% change ranging from a decrease of -100.00% to an increase of 100.00%.

The application on file at the Montana Public Service Commission outlines the specific individual proposed tariff changes.

If allowed, the increase would become effective March 18, 2019, unless protests and/or requests for hearing are received.

Written protests must be mailed to the Montana Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601 **on or before March 13, 2019**. A copy of a protest must also be mailed to Bjornson Jones Mungas PLLC 2809 Great Northern Loop, Suite 100 Missoula, MT 59808.