

**TESTIMONY  
OF  
THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
RELATED TO SB 34, SB307, SB 365, SB 371, ET AL  
"REVISE UNIVERSAL SYTEM BENEFIT LAWS"**

**Greg Jergeson  
Chairman, Montana PSC  
February 8, 2005**

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee:

By a vote of 3 to 2<sup>1</sup>, the Montana Public Service Commission has authorized me to report that the Montana PSC supports the extension of the USB program, a common purpose of all the bills before you on the subject. We believe the purposes of the USB program fulfill necessary and essential public functions.

Individual Commissioners are prepared to articulate their views on the specifics contained in the bills being considered by this committee and may offer that perspective in individual testimony to this committee. Each commissioner is prepared to serve as a resource for this committee as you grapple with the issues contained in these bills.

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<sup>1</sup> Commissioners voting yes: Jergeson, Schneider, Raney.  
Commissioners voting no: Molnar, Mood.