



## Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee

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### Great Falls College -- MSU

2100 16th Avenue South, Room G45-46  
Great Falls, MT  
Thursday and Friday, May 8-9, 2014

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**Thursday May 8, 2014**

- 9 a.m. **Call to Order/Roll Call** - Chairman Larsen  
**Welcome** -- Mayor Michael Winters
- 9:10 a.m. **Follow-up on Prepaid Wireless 9-1-1 Issues (Tab 5)**
1. Update -- Vice Chairman Regier
  2. Public Comment
  3. ETIC Questions and Discussion
  4. ETIC Action, if necessary
- 9:20 a.m. **Agency Overview Presentation**
1. PSC Overview -- Chairman Gallagher
  2. Public Comment
  3. ETIC Questions and Discussion
- 9:45 a.m. **Update on FERC Order**
1. PSC Response -- Chairman Gallagher
  2. Public Comment
  3. ETIC Questions and Discussion
- 10:00 a.m. **RPS Follow-up (Consumer Counsel, Health Studies, Costs) (Tab 1 & 6)**
1. Introduction -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2. Consumer Counsel -- Bob Nelson
  3. Public Comment
  4. ETIC Questions and Discussion
- 10:30 a.m. **RPS Study and Development of Findings and Recommendations (Tab 2 & 3)**
1. Introduction -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2. Public Comment
  3. ETIC Questions
  4. Discussion and Action on Draft Findings and Recommendations
- 11:30 a.m. **Renewable Energy Credit Reports (Tab 4)**
1. Update -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2. Public Comment
  3. ETIC Questions and Discussion

- 11:45 a.m. **Welcome from Dean Wolff -- Great Falls College -- MSU**
- 12:00 p.m. **Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch for ETIC members** -- Rikki's Pasta and Pizza -- 1220 9th Street South
- 1:30 p.m. **Depart for Calumet Montana Refinery**
1. Overview and Welcome -- Dexter Busby
  2. Tour
- 3:00 p.m. **Depart for Highwood Generating Station**
1. Overview and Welcome -- Bill Bato
  2. Tour
- 5:00 p.m. **Recess**

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Friday, May 9, 2014**

- 7:30 a.m. **Meet at Great Falls College -- MSU campus -- Depart for Rainbow Dam**
1. Overview and Welcome -- Jeremy Butcher and Jerry Gray
  2. Tour
- 10:15 a.m. **Return to Great Falls College -- MSU**  
2100 16th Avenue South, Room G45-46
- 10:30 a.m. **NorthWestern Energy's Purchase of PPL Dams**
1. Public Service Commission -- Chairman Gallagher
  2. Consumer Counsel -- Bob Nelson
  3. NorthWestern Energy -- John Fitzpatrick
  4. Public Comment
  5. ETIC Questions and Discussion
  6. ETIC Action, if Necessary
- 11:30 a.m. **Other Business**
1. Approve March 2014 Meeting Minutes (**Tab 7**)
  2. Instructions to Staff for July meeting
- 11:45 a.m. **Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**  
**Provided to ETIC members on-site**
- 1:00 p.m. **Depart for Malmstrom Air Force Base Central Heating Plant (Tentative)**
1. Overview and Welcome --
  2. Tour
- 3:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

***Tours are limited to committee members and confirmed guests -- space is limited. Guests must be confirmed by April 28. If you plan to attend this meeting and will need services or accommodations or wish to participate in the tours, please contact Sonja Nowakowski (406-444-3078 or snowakowski@mt.gov).***