



# Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee

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## Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee State Capitol, Room 172 July 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

- 9:00a.m.                    **Call to Order - Roll Call**
- 9:05 a.m.                    **Universal Systems Benefits: State Funding**  
1. Introduction, Griffin Burns  
2. Sonja Nowakoski, Director, DEQ  
3. Public Comment  
4. Questions from the Committee
- 9:35 a.m.                    **Transmission Solutions in the Near & Long Term: A Conversation on  
Advance Conductors, GETs, Regional Planning and FERC Order No.  
1920**  
1. Introduction  
2. Casey Baker, Senior Program Manager, GridLab  
3. Public Comment  
4. Questions from the Committee
- 11:00 a.m.                    **Break**
- 11:15 a.m.                    **Doing Business in Montana: Energy Developer's Panel**  
1. Introduction  
2. Carl Borquist (Absaroka Energy), Mark Klein,(Pacific Northwest  
Energy Consultants), Mark Thompson(Form Energy), John  
Bernhardt (Pivot Energy)  
3. Public Comment  
4. Questions from the Committee
- 12:15 p.m.                    **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m.                    **Adverse Climate Impacts of Greenhouse Gas Petition to PSC**  
1. Introduction

2. Summary of Petition- & Anne Hedges (MEIC)
3. Public Service Commission
4. Public Comment
5. Questions from the committee

2:15 p.m.

**Public Service Commission Overview**

1. Rule Review- Jameson Walker, LSD
2. Commission Update- Trevor Graff, Public Service Commission
3. Public Comment
4. Questions from the Committee

2:45 p.m.

**Break**

3:00 p.m.

**PSC Agency Bill Introductions**

1. Introduction
2. Trevor Graff or designee, Public Service Commission
3. Public Comment
4. Questions from the Committee
5. Committee action, if any

3:45 p.m.

**Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC

4:00 p.m.

**Recess**

**July 17<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m.

**Call to Order- Roll Call**

9:05 a.m.

**HJ6: Power Reserves Study Update**

1. Introduction
2. , MTEC, LCG, NWE
3. Public Comment
4. Questions from the Committee
5. Committee Action, if any

9:45 a.m.

**Special Select Committee on Energy Resource Planning and Acquisition Provisional Draft Discussion:**

1. Introduction
2. Summary, Senator Daniel Zolnikov
3. Public Comment
4. Questions from the Committee
5. Committee action, if any

10:45 a.m.

**Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC

11:00 a.m.

**Work Session/Instructions to Staff**

1. Committee action, if any

11:30 a.m.

**Adjourn**

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