



## Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee

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### State Capitol, Room 172

### 8:00 a.m., Friday, March 11

#### AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

- 8:00 a.m.                    **Call to Order - Roll Call**
- 8:05 a.m.                    **Administrative Matters -- Tab 2**
1. Adoption of January meeting minutes
- 8:10 a.m.                    **111d Subcommittee Update -- Tab 3**
1. Subcommittee Letter Proposal and Update -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2. Committee Members -- 111d Subcommittee Members
  3. Public Comment
  4. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  5. Committee action, if any
- 8:30 a.m.                    **Colstrip Plants -- Washington and Oregon Legislative Update -- Tab 4**
1. Update on Legislation -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2. Update on Testimony -- Senators Ankney and Larsen
  3. [Public Comment](#)
  4. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  5. Committee action, if any
- 9:00 a.m.                    **Public Service Commission Overview**
1. [Update](#) - Vice Chairman Travis Kavulla
  2. Public Comment
  3. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  4. Committee action, if any
- 9:15 a.m.                    **Consumer Counsel Overview**
1. Update - Bob Nelson
  2. Public Comment
  3. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  4. Committee action, if any

- 9:30 a.m.                   **HJ 7: Next Generation 9-1-1 -- Tab 5**
1.     Stakeholder Update and Recommendations - Geoff Feiss
  2.     9-1-1 Council Update and Recommendations -- Quinn Ness
  3.     Public Comment
  4.     Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  5.     Committee action, if any
- 10:45 a.m.                   **Program Evaluation: Railroad Safety -- Tab 6**
1.     PSC Update -- Vice Chairman Travis Kavulla
  2.     BNSF -- Barbara Ranf
  3.     [Montana Rail Link](#) -- Jim Lewis
  4.     Union Pacific -- Nathan Anderson (tentative)
  5.     Public Comment
  6.     Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  7.     Committee action, if any
- 12:00 p.m.                   **WORKING LUNCH**
- 12:15 p.m.                   **Montana's Electrical Grid -- Tab 7**
1.     [PSC Overview](#) -- Bob Decker
  2.     Public Comment
  3.     Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
- 1:00 p.m.                   **SJ 12: Net Metering Incentives -- Tab 8**
1.     Introduction -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2.     Montana DEQ -- Laura Andersen
  3.     [Montana Department of Revenue](#) -- TBD
  4.     [Public Comment](#)
  5.     Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  6.     Committee action, if any
- 2:00 p.m.                   **SJ 12: Net Metering Committee Direction -- Tab 8**
1.     Overview of Study to Date -- Ms. Nowakowski
  2.     Discussion of Sen. Connell Letter
  3.     Public Comment
  4.     Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
  5.     Committee action, if any
- 3:00 p.m.                   **Marketing Montana's Energy Resources**
1.     [Key Industry Network Members](#) -- Todd Myers, Cloud Peak Energy, Loren Rose, Pyramid Lumber, and Carl Borgquist, Absaroka Energy

2. Public Comment
3. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
4. Committee action, if any

4:00 p.m.

**Montana One-Call Laws and Federal Compliance -- Tab 9**

1. Introduction -- Ms. Nowakowski
2. [Montana Utility Coordinating Council](#) -- Dale Schultz
3. Public Comment
4. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
5. Committee action, if any

4:30 p.m.

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

4:45 p.m.

**Wrap-up of Net Metering Discussion (if needed)**

1. Questions/Discussion/Next Steps
2. Committee action, if any

5:00 p.m.

**Other Business**

1. Travel Plans for May Meeting -- Committee Discussion
2. Instructions to Staff for May Meeting Agenda

5:15 p.m.

**Adjourn**

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