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65th Montana Legislature

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Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee

State Capitol, Room 172

9:00 a.m., Monday, July 31

AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call**
(President Sales to chair meeting until election of officers)
1. Introduction of Committee Members
 2. Introduction of Staff
- 9:15 a.m. **Administrative Matters**
1. [Purpose of the ETIC & Statutory Duties](#) -- Ms. Nowakowski
 2. Questions from the Committee
- 9:45 a.m. **Election of the ETIC Presiding Officer and Vice-Presiding Officer**
- 10:00 a.m. **Introduction and Review of Interim Work Plan Options -- Tab 3**
1. [Work Plan Option Matrix Introduction](#) -- Ms. Nowakowski
 2. Public Comment on Work Plan
 3. Questions from the Committee
- 10:45 a.m. **Energy Policy Overview -- Statutory Duties -- Tab 5**
1. Review and Statutory Requirements -- Ms. Nowakowski
 2. Public Comment on Energy Policy
 3. Questions from the Committee
 4. Committee action, if any
- 11:00 a.m. **Administrative Rule Review -- Tab 9**
1. Introduction -- Mr. Walker
 2. Questions from Committee
 3. Public Comment
 4. Committee action, if any
- 11:15 a.m. **Environmental Quality Council Update -- Mr. Kolman**
- 11:30 a.m. **PSC Overview**
1. [PSC -- Chairman Brad Johnson](#)
 2. [Public Comment](#)
 3. Questions from the Committee
 4. Committee action, if any

- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:00 p.m. **Montana Energy Information**
1. Consumer Counsel -- Bob Nelson
 2. DEQ Energy Bureau -- Laura Andersen
 3. [Northwest Power and Conservation Council](#) -- Jennifer Anders
 4. [BPA](#) -- Mark Reller
 5. [Public Service Commission](#) -- Will Rosquist
 6. Public Comment on Energy Information
 7. Questions from the Committee
- 2:00 p.m. **Adoption of Work Plan Options**
- 3:00 p.m. **PSC/NWE Net Metering Study -- Tab 6**
1. Introduction -- Ms. Nowakowski
 2. [PSC Overview](#) -- Commissioner Travis Kavulla
 3. Public Comment
 4. Questions from the Committee
 5. Committee Action, if any
- 3:30 p.m. **QF Contract Decisions and PSC Actions**
1. PSC -- Chairman Brad Johnson
 2. [Public Comment](#)
 3. Questions from the Committee
 4. Committee action and decision on letter, if any
- 4:00 p.m. **Introduction to USB -- Statutory Duties -- Tab 7**
1. [Introduction and Numbers](#) -- Mr. Graff
 2. [Public Comment](#)
 3. Questions from the Committee
 4. Instructions to Staff
- 4:30 p.m. **Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC
- 4:45 p.m. **Other Business/Instructions to Staff -- Tabs 8 and 10**
1. Adoption of Calendar
 2. Adoption of Rules & Procedures
 3. Adoption of September 2016 Meeting Minutes
 4. Review of September Meeting Items
- 5:15 p.m. **Adjourn**

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