

## Draft Agenda

### Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee (ETIC)

Tuesday, September 16, 2003  
Room 102, State Capitol  
Helena, Montana

Agenda items are subject to change

- 8:00 Call to Order** -- Rep. Alan Olson, Chair
- **Roll Call**
  - **Introduction of Secretary** -- Rebecca Sattler
  - **June 13, 2003 Minutes**
- 8:15 Updates**
- **Governor's Energy Consumer Protection Task Force** -- Rep. Alan Olson and John Hines, Task Force Chair
  - **Environmental Quality Council Alternative Energy Working Group** -- Todd Everts, Legislative Environmental Analyst
- 8:45 Review of Legal Issues Associated with Bankruptcy** -- Todd Everts, ETIC Staff Attorney
- 9:30 Break**
- 9:45 Electricity and Gas Rates Statewide**
- **Current Status and Prognosis** -- Bob Rowe, PSC
  - **Discussion** -- ETIC members
- 10:15 PSC Oversight Over Utility Transactions**
- **Discussion**
  - **Identification of Questions, Options, or Next Steps**
- 10:45 Work Plan**
- **ETIC Budget**
  - **Discussion of Any Proposed Revisions**
  - **Adoption**
  - **Confirm Date and Location of Next Meeting**
  - **Identify Agenda Items for Next Meeting**
- noon Lunch**
- 1:00 Review of Significant Administrative Rules** -- Todd Everts, ETIC Staff Attorney
- 1:20 Default Supply of Electricity**
- **Overview of Options Paper** -- Mary Vandebosch, ETIC Research Analyst
  - **Panel Discussion** -- Dave Wheelihan, Montana Electric Cooperatives' Association; Don Quander, Large Customer Group; Bob Rowe, PSC; John Fitzpatrick, NorthWestern Energy; Bob Nelson, Consumer Counsel; Debbie Smith, Natural Resources Defense Council/Renewable Northwest Project

- **Public Comment on Default Supply or on Matters within Committee's Jurisdiction**

**2:45 Break**

**3:00 Default Supply of Electricity, continued**

- **Committee Questions and Discussion**
- **Identification of Next Steps -- Committee Members**

**3:45 Adjourn**

**4:00 Briefing from NorthWestern Corp. Representatives, Room 303, Capitol**

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[http://www.leg.mt.gov/css/committees/interim/2003\\_2004/energy\\_telecom/default.asp](http://www.leg.mt.gov/css/committees/interim/2003_2004/energy_telecom/default.asp)  
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