

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Meeting Notice and Agenda**

**August 1, 2017**

**Time:** 9:00 AM – Conclusion

**Location:** Harvest Room  
State Capitol  
600 E Boulevard Ave  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505

**Re:** Meeting of the Energy Development and Transmission  
Interim Committee of the North Dakota Legislature

**Agenda:**

See attached. Includes Public Service Commission presentation scheduled for 11:30 a.m.

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## MEETING NOTICE

Senator Rich Wardner, Chairman, has called a meeting of the **ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSMISSION COMMITTEE**.

**Date:** Tuesday, August 1, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Harvest Room, State Capitol, Bismarck

**Agenda:** Presentations regarding the committee's study of wind energy taxation; presentations regarding the committee's study of oil well refracturing; and other presentations, including background information, regarding the committee's studies of a comprehensive energy policy and the oil and gas tax allocations to hub cities and hub city school districts

**Special Note:** Anyone who plans to attend the meeting and needs assistance because of a disability should contact the Legislative Council staff as soon as possible.

**Committee Members:** Senators Rich Wardner, Brad Bekkedahl, Jim Dotzenrod, Merrill Piepkorn, David S. Rust, Jessica Unruh; Representatives Tracy Boe, Mike Brandenburg, Ben Koppelman, Corey Mock, Todd Porter, Gary R. Sukut

**Staff Contact:** Adam Mathiak, Fiscal Analyst

Any member unable to attend this meeting is asked to notify this office as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Jim W. Smith  
Director

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NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSMISSION COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, August 1, 2017  
Harvest Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Comments by the Chairman  
Review of the *Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management*

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

9:10 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of background memorandums regarding the following:

- Comprehensive energy policy study
- Wind energy taxation and revenue distribution study
- Oil and gas tax allocations to hub cities and hub city school districts study
- Oil well refracturing study

**WIND ENERGY STUDY**

9:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Basin Electric Power Cooperative regarding the following:

- The fiscal impact of the property tax changes approved by the 2015 Legislative Assembly related to existing projects
- The estimated fiscal impact of the federal production tax credit on a wind turbine project
- Wind generation taxes in North Dakota and other states
- Payments in lieu of property tax for wind energy and other energy sources

10:50 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Tax Department regarding state taxes and state tax incentives related to wind energy, including the current methods of taxation, historical tax collections, and the distribution of the tax collections

11:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Public Service Commission regarding the state's regulatory environment for wind turbines and wind farms, including an overview of the siting process, decommissioning requirements, and any costs to wind energy operators related to the regulations

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

**OIL WELL REFRACTURING STUDY**

1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Mineral Resources regarding the current status of oil and gas activity in the state and oil price and oil production trends

1:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota Petroleum Council regarding an overview of oil well refracturing

1:45 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota Pipeline Authority regarding the potential changes in oil production related to oil well refracturing

- 2:15 p.m. Presentation by a representative of Marathon Oil Corporation regarding the process to refracture oil wells
- 3:00 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's studies
- 3:10 p.m. Committee discussion
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

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