

## 2013-2014 REGULATORY AGENDA

October 19, 2013 – September 30, 2014

**AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: 65-407**

**AGENCY NAME: Maine Public Utilities Commission**

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**CONSENSUS – BASED RULE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS:** At this time, the Commission does not anticipate engaging in the consensus – based rule development process described in 5 M.R.S. § 8051-B during 2013-2014.

### **EXPECTED 2013-2014 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

**CHAPTER 201:** Service Quality Standards for Provider of Last Resort Service

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 7225

PURPOSE: To adopt rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Rule provisionally adopted; awaiting legislative action

AFFECTED PARTIES: Entities designated as providers of last resort service and their customers

**CHAPTER 2XX:** Reassignment of Provider of Last Resort Service

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 7221

PURPOSE: To adopt rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Entities designated as providers of last resort service and their customers

**CHAPTER 2XX:** Consumer Protection Standards for Provider of Last Resort Service

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 7223

PURPOSE: To adopt rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Winter 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Entities designated as providers of last resort service and their customers

**CHAPTER 202:** Requirements for Audiotext

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: P.L. 2011, Ch. 623

PURPOSE: To repeal rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunication utilities

**CHAPTER 250:** Coin Operated Telephone Service  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
PURPOSE: To repeal rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunication utilities

**CHAPTER 285:** Maine Telecommunications Education Access Fund  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 7104-B  
PURPOSE: To adopt amendments to make rule consistent with P.L. 2011, ch. 600  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunications carriers and their customers

**CHAPTER 288:** Maine Universal Service Fund  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 7104  
PURPOSE: To adopt amendments to make rule consistent with P.L. 2011, ch. 600  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Winter 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunications carriers and their customers

**CHAPTER 289:** Requirements and Terms for Bundled Services offered by ILECs  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
PURPOSE: To repeal rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunication carriers

**CHAPTER 291:** Standards for Billing and Collection for non-ETCs  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
PURPOSE: To repeal rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunication carriers

**CHAPTER 292:** Billing and collection for IXCs  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
PURPOSE: To adopt rules to implement P.L. 2011, ch. 623  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Summer 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Telecommunication carriers

**CHAPTER 301:** Standard Offer Service  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. §3212  
PURPOSE: To update the rule's credit and collection provisions  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Spring 2014  
AFFECTED PARTIES: Standard Offer Providers and T&D Utilities

**CHAPTER 305:** Licensing Requirements, Annual Reporting, Enforcement and Consumer Protection Provisions for CEPs  
STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. §3203  
PURPOSE: To update rule to reflect increased market activity and experience in administering rule  
ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Winter 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: CEPs, T&D Utilities and their customers

**CHAPTER 322:** Metering, Billing, Collections and Enrollment Interactions Among  
Transmissions and Distribution Utilities and Competitive Electricity Providers

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. 3203

PURPOSE: To update the rule's credit and collection provisions

AFFECTED PARTIES: Transmission and Distribution Utilities and CEPs

**CHAPTER 330:** Filing Requirement for Certification of Public Convenience and  
Necessity for Electric Transmission Facilities

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. §§ 3131, 3132

PURPOSE: To amend the rule to reflect recent statutory changes in P.L. 2013, ch. 369  
§ C-1. C-8

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Winter 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: T&D Utilities

**CHAPTER 420:** Safety Standards for Natural Gas

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 4508

PURPOSE: To clarify the rule as it relates to facilities installations by more than one  
utility

AFFECTED PARTIES: The public and natural gas utilities

**CHAPTER 62:** Service Standards for Water Utilities

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. §§ 6101-6113; 111

PURPOSE: To update rule that was last amended in 1987

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Spring 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Water utilities and their customers

**CHAPTER 63:** Major Construction Projects of Water Utilities

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. § 6102

PURPOSE: To update the rule which was last amended in 1988 and make it consistent  
with changes in P.L. 2001, ch, 488 §§ 1,2

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Spring 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Water utilities and their customers

**CHAPTER 65:** Water Main Extension and Service Line Rule

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. §§ 6101, 6106, 111

PURPOSE: To update the rule last amended in 1987

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Spring 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Water utilities and their customers

**CHAPTER 815:** Consumer Protection Standards for Electric and Gas Transmission and  
Distribution Utilities

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 35-A M.R.S. §§104, 111, 704, 1308

PURPOSE: Update the rule based on experience of utilities and the Commission under  
the rule

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Spring 2014

AFFECTED PARTIES: Gas and T&D Utilities and their customers

**CHAPTER 895:** Underground Facility Damage Prevention Requirements

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 23 M.R.S. § 3360-A, P.L. 2011, ch. 588

PURPOSE: To clarify the enforcement process and other changes based on stakeholder group recommendations

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Fall 2012 (major substantive rule)

AFFECTED PARTIES: Utilities and excavators

**CHAPTER 920:** Maine Model Building Code

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: P.L. 2013, ch. 120

PURPOSE: To repeal the rule as directed by P.L. 2013, Ch. 120

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE: Fall 2013

AFFECTED PARTIES: None

**AGENCY UMBRELLA-UNIT NUMBER: 65-625**

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**EMERGENCY RULES ADOPTED SINCE THE LAST REGULATORY AGENDA:** None

**EXPECTED 2013-2014 RULE-MAKING ACTIVITY:**

**CHAPTER 2:** Requirements for Enhanced 9-1-1 System Service Provider and Local  
Exchange Carriers

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** 25 M.R.S. § 2927(3)

**PURPOSE:** To consider changes to section 8 of the rule

**ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE:** Winter 2014

**AFFECTED PARTIES:** Local Exchange Carriers