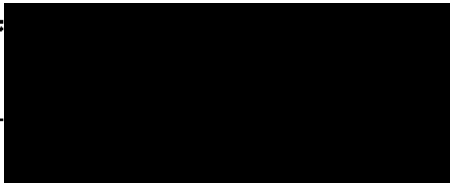


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2. Are you testifying on behalf of the Federal, or a State or local government entity?	Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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## COMMISSIONER & CHAIRMAN

*Montana Public Service Commission*

**JAN. 2011 – PRESENT**

*Helena, MT*

One of five commissioners responsible for regulating the rates and operations of electric, natural gas, and water public utilities as well as certain telecommunications companies and motor carriers in the State of Montana.

Elected to office in 2010 by the largest margin of any commissioner facing a contested election since the body's inception in 1974, and has enjoyed wide bipartisan support.

Led on several important regulatory accomplishments:

- Created a new zonal wind integration tariff to apply to utility-owned and PURPA projects. Wrote a paper about the zonal tariff concept, presented at the Rutgers Center for Research in Regulated Industries in 2013.
- Approved the rate-recovery and rate design of a natural-gas plant to operate as a regulating resource, in the face of concerns about a lack of flexible capacity in Montana and the Northwest. Actively engaged FERC on a companion docket to establish OATT Schedule 3-Regulation charges for wholesale customers served by the facility.
- Designed a performance standard for a utility-owned wind farm.
- Initiated a rulemaking to reform the resource planning and competitive solicitation process.
- Reached decisions in numerous rate cases, and accounting, tax, and financing dockets.

Other professional involvement includes leading efforts related to regional electric market developments and transmission expansion in the Western Interconnection (detailed below).

Appointed to serve on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), and as Treasurer of the National Regulatory Research Institute, providing input to white papers on wind integration, Order 1000 compliance, and regulatory approaches to the adoption of advanced technologies.

Serves as co-chair of the FERC-NARUC Sunday Morning Collaborative, which meets three times annually for several hours to discuss topics of mutual interest to the federal and state jurisdictions. As co-chair, selects topics, writes the agenda, and chooses speakers for the event, which has focused recently on the future of merchant generation and advanced transmission and distribution technologies.

**CHAIRMAN, PUC EIM GROUP****FEB. 2012 – PRESENT**

Heads the leading regulatory effort to evaluate the costs and benefits of forming a real-time energy market across the dozens of balancing authorities in the Western United States. The Public Utility Commissioners Energy Imbalance (PUC EIM) Group includes a member from each of the Western Interconnection's utility commissions.

As a member and chairman (since Dec. 2012) of the PUC EIM Group, the effort has seen considerable promise. The PUC EIM Group has:

- Commissioned and provided assistance to a benefits analysis of an EIM, conducted by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory.
- Solicited market design and cost proposals from the Southwest Power Pool and the California ISO (CAISO), the latter of which was the basis of an agreement (early 2013) between PacifiCorp and CAISO to form a regional EIM.
- Provided the CAISO stakeholder process with state commissions' input on market design and governance of the regional EIM.
- Worked with FERC to obtain federal regulatory support and guidance on designing an EIM for the maximization of both economic-dispatch and reliability benefits.
- Helped to instigate the work of the Northwest Power Pool (NWPP) and the Southwest Variable Energy Resources Initiative in studying their own regional EIMs.
- Participated in numerous stakeholder processes, including those of CAISO, PacifiCorp, the Bonneville Power Administration, and the NWPP, and presented at dozens of meetings as a representative of the interconnection's regulators on EIM matters.

Online at <http://www.westgov.org/PUCeim/>

**CO-CHAIR, NORTHERN TIER TRANSMISSION GROUP****JAN. 2013 – PRESENT**

Elected as the co-chair of the NTTG Steering Committee, which provides policy guidance and directs FERC filings on behalf of the group. NTTG is the regional entity subject to Order 890 and Order 1000 transmission planning obligations. Its footprint includes PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric, Idaho Power, NorthWestern Energy, the Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems, and Deseret Generation & Transmission Cooperative.

The Steering Committee's work has in the past year has included writing and approving the region's Order 1000 compliance order filing and preparing the inter-regional Order 1000 tariff submittal, as well as revisiting and improving the group's use of production cost modeling for the purposes of estimate the economic benefits of transmission expansion.

Online at <http://www.nttg.biz/>

**DIRECTOR, WESTERN ELECTRICITY COORDINATING COUNCIL** 2013 – 2014  
**MEMBER, MEMBER ADVISORY COMMITTEE** JAN. 2014 – PRESENT

Appointed to fill a vacancy on the WECC Board of Directors at a time when WECC was reorganizing, splitting its reliability coordinator function from its standards, compliance auditing, and transmission planning functions. A strong advocate for bifurcation and the installation of an independent board of directors.

Served as one of a seven-member committee to select WECC's new CEO. Elected by WECC Members to the Nominating Committee, responsible for the select of independent board directors. Continues to serve as a representative to WECC's Member Advisory Committee.

Online at <http://www.wecc.biz/>

**FREELANCE JOURNALIST** JULY 2008 – DECEMBER 2010

Contributed full-length pieces and reporting to a variety of sources, including *National Review*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Dallas Morning News*, Fox News, the *Times* of London, *Standpoint* magazine (UK), *The New Atlantis*, *Catholic World Report*, *The Claremont Review of Books* and other outlets. Based in England and Kenya in 2008 and 2009 and traveled widely in Africa, Europe, and South Asia. Special projects editor for National Review Online, July-November 2010, supervising five journalists.

**ASSOCIATE EDITOR** JAN. 2007 – OCT. 2007

*National Review* and *National Review Online* New York, NY

A member of the editorial staff of biweekly magazine of politics and culture, leaving to become a Gates Scholar at Cambridge. Continued to contribute after editorship.

## EDUCATION

M.PHIL., HISTORY FALL 2007 – SUMMER 2008  
*University of Cambridge* Cambridge, England

Gates Scholar, competitively awarded through the Gates Trust at Cambridge, funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Considerable field research conducted in pursuit of thesis, a history of central economic planning and its early successes and failures in the British colonial world of the 1950s.

B.A., HISTORY SEPT. 2002 – JAN. 2007  
*Harvard University* Cambridge, Mass.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & HONORS

- Chairman, Public Utility Commissioners Energy Imbalance Market Group, December 2011 – present (Chairman since Dec. 2012).
- Co-Chairman, Northern Tier Transmission Group Steering Committee; January 2013 – present.
- Director, Board of Directors, Western Electricity Coordinating Council; February 2013 – present
- Director & Treasurer, Board of Directors, National Regulatory Research Institute; May 2012 – present.
- Director, Board of Directors, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; January 2011 – present.
- Member, Advisory Council for Center for Public Utilities, New Mexico State University, November 2011 – present.
- Gates Cambridge Scholar; Gates Trust, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Cambridge, England.; 2007