

The PSC Timeline

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1900s
World War I

1920s
Federal Power Act, 1920
Stock Market crash

1930s
The Great Depression
Federal Power Act of 1935
Rural Electrification Act of 1936
Natural Gas Act of 1938

1940s
World War II
Rates for freight carriers increase.

1950s
Post-war expansion

1960s
North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), 1968

1970s
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 1977
Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act (PURPA), 1978

1980s
Energy Crisis
AT&T Break Up ordered, 1984
Natural gas prices rise dramatically

1990s
Energy Policy Act of 1992
1936 Federal Telco Act amended, 1996
The Gulf War

2000s
Security issues addressed after 9-11
Renewable energy and efficiency efforts are studied

1900s

1927 – Commission begins administration and regulation of motor bus.



1930s – Commission approves construction of natural gas plants in 40 cities that did not have service.



Between the **1940s** and **1950s** electric plant investments increased by 248%.



1967 – PSC regulates private sewer systems operating as public utilities in Missouri.



1973 – PSC given jurisdiction over safety of mobile homes manufactured or sold in Missouri.

1980s – New issues surrounding telecommunications are brought before PSC after AT&T break-up.

1985 – Senate Bill 2 signed into law. Transportation issues no longer under PSC jurisdiction.

1996 – SB 507 passed, allowing a large telephone company (like Southwestern Bell) to be eligible for price cap regulation.



2000s

Throughout the decade utilities focus on new technologies, such as generating renewable energy, smart grid and promoting energy efficiency.



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1913 – PSC formed by state statute.



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1931 – Commission begins regulating motor freight carriers.



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1947 – First assessments to utility companies issued.



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Between **1950** and **1961** gas utilities expanded. The volume of gas sold increased 77%.

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1964 – New service plan introduced upgrading telephone service to 28,000 rural customers.

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1977 – PSC adopts Cold Weather Rule to prevent customers from losing service.

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1984 – Union Electric's Callaway Nuclear Plant starts operating.



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1987 – PSC issues decisions that lowered utility rates by \$451 million statewide.



1997 – PSC task force begins studying electric restructuring. Task Force issues report.

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2002 – AmerenUE agrees to \$110 million rate reduction, the largest in Missouri history.



2011 – KCP&L adds second coal-fired unit to Iatan plant.

