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## ITEM 183-2013-R0519 <u>Request for authorization to execute a utility easement with Northwestern Energy-New Residence Hall;</u> <u>Montana State University</u>

## THAT

The Board of Regents authorizes MSU to execute an easement agreement with Northwestern Energy to relocate and extend Northwestern Energy electric service to Family & Graduate Housing on Glacier Court as part of the New Residence Hall project.

## **EXPLANATION**

- 1. The existing Northwestern Energy overhead electrical line serving MSU Family & Graduate Housing on Glacier Court is routed through the area of the New Residence Hall.
- 2. Construction of the New Residence Hall requires that the existing overhead electric service is modified to provide service to the Glacier Court houses in the future. This includes relocating an existing overhead service underground and extending an existing overhead service with the addition of two electric poles.
- MSU will benefit significantly from this electric service relocation and extension in terms of providing a suitable site for construction of the New Residence Hall and reliable electric service to Family & Graduate Housing on Glacier Court. This benefit satisfies requirements of BOR Policy 1003.6.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1 – Exhibit A: drawing of the proposed easement is attached for reference