

RULE 1318:

Within five (5) days after service on him of a copy of the decision any party including the employee or the appointing authority may apply for a rehearing by filing with the Commission a written petition therefor. Within ten (10) days after such filing, the Commission shall cause a copy of the petition for rehearing to be served upon the other parties to the proceeding.

~~Within twenty (20) days after~~ After such service of the petition for rehearing, the Commission, at ~~its next regularly scheduled meeting~~, shall either grant or deny the petition in whole or in part. ~~Failure to act upon a petition for rehearing within this twenty-day period is a denial of the petition. The days shall be computed on a calendar basis.~~ If a rehearing is granted, the Commission may rehear the case itself on the record of the prior hearing and such additional evidence and argument as may be permitted, or it may refer it to a hearing officer. A case so referred to a hearing officer shall be subject to the procedure provided in Sections 1303 and 1316 above.