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Rocky Mountain Power, City of Idaho Falls seek approval of service allocation agreement

BOISE (Oct. 25, 2017) – Rocky Mountain Power and the city of Idaho Falls have requested approval of an agreement that would help resolve transfers of service among existing customers in areas annexed by the city.

Idaho Code requires that contracts between electric utilities conform with the Idaho Electric Supplier Stabilization Act (ESSA), the purpose of which is to discourage the duplication of facilities, prohibit pirating of consumers, stabilize service territories and consumers, and promote harmony between electric suppliers.

The Service Allocation Agreement pending approval of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission establishes a process for determining which utility would provide service to new consumers in certain areas.

The city of Idaho Falls' electric department, known as Idaho Falls Power, provides electric service to approximately 28,000 customers primarily within the city's municipal boundaries, though it does serve some customers outside city limits.

Its municipal boundaries are surrounded by the service territory of Rocky Mountain Power, which has approximately 77,000 customers in eastern Idaho, including some inside Idaho Falls city limits.

The pending agreement would replace a previous Service Allocation Agreement that expired in 2015.

The six-page agreement establishes the service territory of each utility and outlines processes for handling service transfers for Rocky Mountain customers in newly annexed areas and for new consumers in areas outside of a utility's service territory.

The proposed agreement also calls for the two parties to work together to identify facilities that are duplicative, and to coordinate with each other to minimize duplicity when constructing new facilities.

The tentative deal does not restrict the rights of consumers to petition the Commission for relief under the ESSA.

The agreement would take effect immediately upon Commission approval and would continue for five years. It would automatically renew every five years unless one party notifies the other of its intent to end the agreement.

The Commission is accepting written comments on the proposed agreement through Nov. 10.

Comments are accepted via email [here](#) or by accessing the commission's Website at www.puc.idaho.gov and clicking on "Case Comment Form," under the "Consumers" heading. Fill in the case number (PAC-E-17-12) and enter your comments. Comments can also be mailed to P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0074 or faxed to (208) 334-3762.

The commission's order and other documents related to this case are available on the commission's Website [here](#). Click on "Open Cases" under the "Electric" heading and scroll down to the case number, PAC-E-17-12.