

Idaho Public Utilities Commission

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NEWS DIRECTORS, EDITORS: Corrects release to reflect customer hearing in Pocatello will begin at 11:00 a.m. and conclude at 2:00 p.m.

NEWS RELEASE: Customer hearings scheduled in June on applications that would advance transmission line project.

BOISE (May 22, 2023) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission will host customers hearings in mid-June to take testimony on applications that are part of a proposed 500-kilovolt transmission line.

Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power have partnered to work on the Boardman to Hemingway transmission line. Plans call for the line to be 300 miles long. It will cross five Oregon counties and connect to Idaho Power's existing Hemingway Substation in Idaho's Owyhee County.

The two utilities have applied for certificates of public convenience and necessity as part of the project. A certificate of public convenience and necessity is a certificate granted to a utility that allows it to provide service to a new geographic area, enter into a franchise agreement, build and operate a new facility or build an extension of an existing facility.

Four customer hearings will be held to take testimony for the record. Those who plan to submit testimony are required to attend in-person. Those interested in listening only can call in.

A hearing to take testimony on Rocky Mountain Power's application will be Monday, June 12, at the Idaho Falls Public Library, 457 W. Broadway Street. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. (MDT) and conclude at 9:00 p.m. or until all testimony has been submitted, whichever comes first. To listen, please call 1-415-655-0001, and enter meeting number 2465 142 0344. When prompted, please enter numeric password 925 67 866.

Customer hearings will be in Pocatello on June 13 and in Twin Falls on June 13 regarding Idaho Power's application. The Pocatello hearing will begin at 11:00 a.m. (MDT) at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game Regional Office, 1345 Barton Road. It will conclude at 2:00 p.m.

or until all testimony has been submitted, whichever comes first. To listen to the hearing, please call 1-415-655-0001, and enter meeting number 2461 541 7580. When prompted, please enter numeric password 993 93 292.

The Twin Falls hearing will be in the Roper Auditorium at Twin Falls High School, 1615 Filer Avenue East. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. (MDT) and conclude at 9:00 p.m. or until all testimony has been submitted, whichever comes first. To listen to the hearing, please call 1-415-655-0001, and enter meeting number 2466 427 3060. When prompted, please enter numeric password 653 89 279.

The final hearing to take testimony on Idaho Power's application will be in Boise on Wednesday, June 14, at the commission, 11331 W. Chinden Boulevard, Building 8, Suite 201-A. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. (MDT) and end at 9:00 p.m. or until all testimony has been submitted, whichever comes first. To listen, please call 1-415-655-0001, and enter meeting number 2452 650 4011. When prompted, please enter numeric password 447 89 853.

The commission is accepting written comments on Idaho Power's application until May 23, 2023, and on Rocky Mountain Power's application until May 25, 2023. To submit comments on Rocky Mountain Power's application online, please visit the commission's homepage at puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "Case Comment Form" link on the upper left side of the page and complete the form using Case Number PAC-E-23-01. To file by e-mail, comments should be sent to the commission secretary and Rocky Mountain Power at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is not available, comments may be mailed to the commission and the utility at these addresses:

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To submit comments on Idaho Power's application for its certificate of public convenience and necessity, please visit the commission's homepage at puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "Case Comment Form" link on the upper left side of the page and complete the form using Case Number IPC-E-23-01. To file by e-mail, comments should be sent to the commission secretary and Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is not available, comments may be mailed to the commission and the utility at these addresses:

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For additional information on the utilities' applications, please visit: puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6980 or puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6975.