

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN) CASE NO. PAC-E-20-01
POWER'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL)
OF THE SUNNYSIDE/HOLMES STREET) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
ASSET TRANSFER AGREEMENT)
BETWEEN ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER) NOTICE OF
AND THE CITY OF IDAHO FALLS) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
)
) **NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC**
) **HEARING**
)
) **ORDER NO. 34588**

On February 24, 2020, Rocky Mountain Power (“Company”) applied for approval of an asset transfer agreement (“Agreement”) between the Company and the City of Idaho Falls (“City”). Under the Agreement, the City would buy Company electric facilities that the City needs to provide electric service to three customers. With this Order, the Commission sets deadlines for public comments and a Company reply, and schedules a telephonic public hearing.

BACKGROUND

The Company submits its Application under the electric utility asset transfer statute, *Idaho Code* § 61-328. The Company requests that its Application be processed under Modified Procedure, Rule 201 *et seq.* See IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. Typically, Modified Procedure contemplates a case would be processed through written submissions without a live hearing. However, the electric utility asset transfer statute, *Idaho Code* § 61-328, requires the Commission to “conduct a public hearing upon the application.”

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company and the City signed a service allocation agreement in 2017 to reduce duplication of service and promote stability in their respective service areas. The Commission approved the service allocation agreement in Case No. PAC-E-17-12, Order No. 33943.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that under the Agreement, the City would provide electric service to three of the Company’s customers in Idaho Falls: the first on Holmes Avenue, the second on South 25th East, and the third on Sunnyside Road. The City would buy electric

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facilities from the Company to serve these customers. The City also would compensate the Company for the lost revenues arising from the customers' departure. The Agreement defines "just compensation for lost revenues" as "the amount equal to 167% of the total of the respective customers' electric bills from the prior twelve-month period." Application at 3.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting documentation have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's web site at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "ELECTRIC" icon, select "Open Cases," and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code, specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501 to 61-503. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure. *See* IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application must file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission **by April 7, 2020**. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Company at the addresses reflected below:

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For the Commission:

Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
PO Box 83720
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For City of Idaho Falls:

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Idaho Falls City Power
140 S. Capital Ave.
P.O. Box 50220
Idaho Falls, ID 83405

These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via email may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Case Comment Form" under the "Consumers" tab and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments **by April 14, 2020.**

NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC PUBLIC HEARING

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure contemplate that a case will be processed by written submissions without the need for a public hearing. However, the Commission finds good cause to schedule a public hearing in this case because the Company filed its Application under *Idaho Code* § 61-328, and that statute requires a public hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will conduct a public telephonic customer hearing in this matter on **TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020, AT 2:30 P.M.**

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MDT. The purpose of the public hearing is to take testimony from members of the public and customers of Rocky Mountain Power. To participate, interested persons can call **1-800-920-7487** shortly before or at the designated time, and enter the **passcode 6674832#** when prompted.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the telephonic hearing will meet accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Persons needing the help of a sign language interpreter or other assistance in order to participate in or to understand testimony at a public hearing may ask the Commission to provide a sign language interpreter or other assistance at the hearing. The request for assistance must be received at least five working days before the hearing by contacting the Commission Secretary at:

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204. *See* IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by **April 7, 2020**. The Company may file a reply by **April 14, 2020**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a telephonic public hearing be held on the Company's Application on **TUESDAY, March 24, 2020 at 2:30 P.M. MDT**.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 12th
day of March, 2020.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

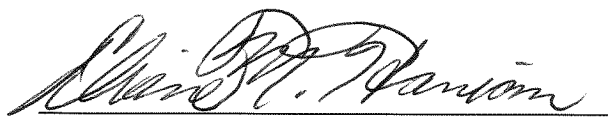


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



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ATTEST:



Diane M. Hanian
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