# BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN	)	CASE NO. PAC-E-20-06
POWER'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL	)	
OF THE PIONEER ROAD / RUSTIC LANE /	)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
17 <sup>TH</sup> SOUTH ASSET TRANSFER	)	
AGREEMENT BETWEEN ROCKY	)	NOTICE OF
MOUNTAIN POWER AND THE CITY OF	)	MODIFIED PROCEDURE
IDAHO FALLS	)	
	)	NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC
	)	HEARING
	)	
	)	<b>ORDER NO. 34701</b>
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On May 22, 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 ten customers. With this Order, the Commission sets deadlines for public comments and a Company reply, and schedules a telephonic public hearing. The Company submits its Application under *Idaho Code* § 61-328, which states that the Commission "shall issue a public notice and *shall conduct a public hearing* upon the application (emphasis added)."

## **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

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 will provide electric service to ten of the Company's customers in Idaho Falls: five customers on Rustic Lane, one customer on Pioneer Road, and the four customers on 17<sup>th</sup> South. The City will purchase the electric facilities from the Company to serve these customers and will also compensate the Company for the lost revenue from the customers. Under the service allocation agreement, just compensation for lost revenues is the "amount equal to 167 percent of the total of the respective customers' electric bills from the prior twelve-month period." Application at 3.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company requests the Commission approve the Agreement and authorize the transfer of electric service for the ten customers presently served by the Company.

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 <a href="www.puc.idaho.gov">www.puc.idaho.gov</a>. 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 31.01.201 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 anyone desiring to state a position on this Application must file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission **by August 3, 2020**. The comment must explain why the person supports or opposes the Application. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be sent electronically, unless e-mail is not available, to the Commission and the Applicant at the e-mail addresses reflected below:

## For the Commission:

Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074 secretary@puc.idaho.gov

Street Address for Express Mail: 11331 W Chinden Blvd Building 8, Suite 201A Boise, ID 83714

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

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

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments by August 10, 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 <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>JULY</u> 7, <u>2020</u>, <u>AT</u> 2:30 P.M. <u>MDT</u>.

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 **1-888-862-6557** shortly before the designated time, and enter the **confirmation code 49789362** 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:

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION P.O. BOX 83720 BOISE, IDAHO 83720-0074 (208) 334-0338 (Telephone) (208) 334-3762 (FAX) secretary@puc.idaho.gov

#### **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 **August 3, 2020**. The Company may file a reply by **August 10, 2020**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a telephonic public hearing be held on the Company's Application on TUESDAY, July 7, 2020 at 2:30 P.M. MDT.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties should continue to comply with Order No. 34602, issued March 17, 2020. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this  $23^{\rm rd}$  day of June, 2020.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Diane M. Hanian Commission Secretary

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