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NEWS RELEASE: Commission approves application from electric utility and the City of Rupert for service territory agreement.

BOISE (Aug. 1, 2025) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has approved an application that will allow the Riverside Electric Company, Limited and the City of Rupert to enter into a service territory agreement.

The utility and city had an existing agreement that was negotiated to settle a service territory between them, provide for stability of service with customers, eliminate the duplication of services and provide safety in respective territories. The agreement was negotiated before the creation of the Electric Supplier Stabilization Act (ESSA), which encourages harmony between electric suppliers, prohibits the pirating of customers, discourages the duplication of electric facilities and stabilizes service territories.

The commission determined the agreement included terms and conditions that were consistent with the purpose of the ESSA. Among those terms and conditions are defined boundaries between the two service territories that the utility and city would use to serve new customers, the assignment of existing customers in the territories and a process for entering into a written agreement to serve a new customer that can be more efficiently served by the other party.

Additional information is available at: puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/7543.