

Idaho Public Utilities Commission

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NEWS RELEASE UPDATE: Telephonic public hearing scheduled in proposed acquisition of eastern Idaho water company

BOISE (Sept. 30, 2020) - The Idaho Public Utilities Commission is hosting a telephonic hearing to take public testimony regarding an application from Falls Water Co. to acquire the assets of the Morning View Water Company.

Falls Water, which is regulated by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, has operated a water system near Idaho Falls since 1958, and serves about 5,500 customers. Falls Water also is a subsidiary of NW Natural Water of Idaho, LLC, which through its parent companies is owned by NW Natural Holdings. Morning View also is regulated by the commission, and serves approximately 118 residential customers in and around Rigby.

Under the proposed acquisition, Falls Water would acquire and operate the Morning View water system. In addition, Falls Water is not requesting any change to rates or rate structure at this time.

On Wednesday, Oct. 7, the commission is hosting a telephonic public hearing at 6:00 p.m. (MDT) to allow those interested in the proposed acquisition to formally submit testimony. Participation can be accomplished by calling 1-800-920-7487 and entering 6674832# when prompted. Those planning on testifying are encouraged to start calling in to the hearing at 5:30 p.m. (MDT) on Oct. 7. In the interest of public health and safety, and consistent with guidance from both the CDC and Central District Health regarding mitigation of exposure to Covid-19, the hearing will be telephonic only.

To identify callers and manage the hearing efficiently, those interested in testifying are encouraged to contact Adam Rush at adam.rush@puc.idaho.gov or call 1-208-334-0339 and provide their name and the telephone number they will be calling in on. Please provide this information no later than 4:00 p.m. (MDT) on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020. Additional callers will not be prohibited from testifying, but will be accommodated after the identified callers have testified.

Written comments on the proposed acquisition are being accepted until Oct. 15, 2020. To comment by e-mail, please visit www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "Consumers" tab, then "Case

Comment Form" and complete the form using case number FLS-W-20-04. Comments sent via email must also be e-mailed to Falls Water at the e-mail addresses listed below.

Written comments also can be mailed to:

For the Idaho Public Utilities Commission:

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Comments that are mailed to the public utilities commission must also be mailed to Falls Water.

For additional information on the proposed acquisition, please visit puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6544.