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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

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Application of Sierra Pacific
Power Company d/b/a NV Energy for
approval of a Large Load Electric
Service Agreement with Amazon Data
Services, Inc.

Docket No. 26-05026

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P R O C E E D I N G S

HEARING OFFICER: Good morning. Welcome to the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada. This prehearing conference will come to order. The record will reflect that this is the time and place set before the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada for a pre-hearing conference regarding an application of Sierra Pacific Power Company, d/b/a, NV Energy, for approval of a Large Load Electric Service Agreement with Amazon Data Services, Inc. This matter has been designated by the Commission as Docket Number 26-05026.

Appearing for the Commission today are myself, Randy Brown, Commissioner and Presiding Officer, Policy Advisors Jason Martin, Sheryl Torrey, Holly Forrest and Daniel Otero, and Administrative Attorney James Newcomb. Appearing for NV Energy?

DEBORAH BONE: Good morning, Commissioner Brown, Deborah Bone of Clark Hill on behalf of NV Energy. Also with us are Michelle McClure and Janet Wells.

HEARING OFFICER: Good morning, Ms. Bone. It's nice to see you again. Appearing for the Regulatory Operations Staff?

JESSE PANOFF: Good morning, Commissioner. Jesse Panoff, Shelly Cassity, and Lindsay Rostron for Staff.

1 HEARING OFFICER: Good morning to the three of
2 you, and welcome. Appearing for the Bureau of Consumer
3 Protection?

4 MICHAEL SAUNDERS: Good morning, Commissioner.
5 Michael Saunders for BCP.

6 HEARING OFFICER: Good morning, Mr. Saunders.
7 Welcome. Appearing for Amazon Data Services?

8 LUCAS FOLETTA: Good morning, Commissioner.
9 Lucas Foletta.

10 HEARING OFFICER: Good morning, Mr. Foletta, and
11 welcome. Are there any other persons who would like to make
12 their presence known to the Commission for the purpose of this
13 prehearing conference? Let the record reflect that no other
14 persons have come forward. And my apology, I'd also like to
15 mention that policy advisor Kim Lighthart is joining us in Las
16 Vegas. My apology, Ms. Lighthart.

17 The record will reflect that the notice of
18 prehearing conference was issued on June 8, 2026. The
19 Commission has in its files affidavits of publication
20 regarding the notice of prehearing conference. Are there any
21 persons that wish to examine those affidavits or have any
22 concerns related to the notice of this pre-hearing conference?
23 Let the record reflect that no one has come forward. The
24 Commission deems that this matter has been duly and properly
25 noticed for a pre-hearing conference at this time and place.

1 As a preliminary matter, I've seen and read the
2 petitions for leave to intervene filed by Amazon Data
3 Services. Is there any objection to the petition for leave to
4 intervene on behalf of Amazon Data Services? Ms. Bone?

5 DEBORAH BONE: Thank you, Commissioner. No
6 objection on behalf of Sierra Pacific.

7 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.

8 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Saunders.

9 MICHAEL SAUNDERS: No objection. Thank you,
10 Commissioner.

11 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Panoff.

12 JESSE PANOFF: No objection. Thank you,
13 Commissioner.

14 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Then it's my
15 intention to grant the petition for leave to intervene filed
16 by Amazon Data Services. So, I guess what I'd prefer to do is
17 just grant it on the record so we don't have to issue another
18 procedural order. Oh, we still order it? Okay. It's my
19 first time.

20 Moving on, I want to thank the parties for being
21 productive and discussing procedural dates for this docket.
22 My understanding of the situation is the parties are looking
23 to schedule this matter in a way that allows for the
24 completion of at least a portion of Docket Number 26-05007
25 which is the IRP.

1 And specifically, I believe it's my understanding
2 and please correct me if I'm wrong but the Companies are
3 asking or the parties are asking for a delay at least until
4 the what I would call the application template for the large
5 load ESAs is addressed in the IRP. Ms. Bone, does that
6 comport sort of with what is included in the filing in your
7 understanding?

8 DEBORAH BONE: Thank you, Commissioner Brown.
9 Yes, it does. The Companies, as we noted in our application
10 and have since discussed with the parties, believe that it is
11 most efficient to allow the proceedings regarding the large
12 load service agreements that are occurring within the IRP to
13 proceed first. And then, we would propose to have a continued
14 pre-hearing conference in January when we anticipate that that
15 would be resolved in one manner or another. However, of
16 course, if it's proceeding still, we could again reset if
17 necessary. So, our proposal is to reset a continued pre-
18 hearing conference into January.

19 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. And one other
20 question I had, Ms. Bone, is in the application, it indicated
21 that based on the results of that, I want to call it template
22 approval in the IRP, that it may be necessary to refile or
23 amend this application. Is that an accurate statement as
24 well?

1 DEBORAH BONE: Yes, Commissioner Brown, that's
2 correct. The Companies would intend, of course, working with
3 the customers to the extent that customers choose to go
4 forward to make whatever amendments or changes to the current
5 application that are necessary after review of the order in
6 the IRP.

7 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you, Ms. Bone, I
8 appreciate that. Anyone else have anything they'd like to add
9 on this topic?

10 JESSE PANOFF: With the Commission's
11 permission, Staff would like to address certain issues just
12 very briefly.

13 HEARING OFFICER: Please, Mr. Panoff, continue
14 when you're ready.

15 JESSE PANOFF: Oh, thank you. I believe the
16 date that was thrown out was January 28th for the continued
17 prehearing conference, subject to input from the other
18 parties. But on top of that, Staff would just like to put
19 this on the record now.

20 For the schedules that eventually come out in this
21 case in 26-05028, 26-05029, Staff would appreciate staggering
22 the testimony deadlines and hearing dates, as was done in the
23 CTT-ESA cases. Staggered schedules enable the parties to
24 thoroughly review the filings, conduct meaningful discovery
25 and develop testimony. This is especially important in cases

1 like this one, where the central documented issue may be
2 impacted by rulings in the IRP, as was alluded to earlier.

3 And as was seen in those CTT-ESA cases, new
4 information may emerge late in the case that differs from what
5 was originally provided, causing recommendations and expert
6 opinions to change.

7 Staggered schedules are also beneficial given Staff
8 and the Commission's current workload. As the Commission well
9 knows, these ESA cases tend to take on lives of their own, and
10 staggered schedules provide the flexibility needed for these
11 types of cases. Again, Staff just wants to put this on
12 everyone's radar now, and thanks to the Commission for its
13 time.

14 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you, Mr. Panoff. I
15 appreciate that. A couple of things. First, I think the
16 docket numbers that you mentioned may be off by one. I think
17 it's 26-05026, 27, and 28.

18 JESSE PANOFF: Yes. Thank you.

19 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Perfect. I appreciate
20 that. I understand your request and I want to back up just a
21 little bit. And this is completely my fault. We will hold
22 the continued prehearing conferences on whatever dates the
23 parties agree on. I want to be clear about that. What I had
24 originally thought I was proposing was an agenda date either
25 January 12th or January 26th which somehow became the 28th.

1 And as I said at the beginning, we will hold these
2 continued prehearing conferences on what works for your
3 schedules. But if the 12th or the 26th were possible, that
4 would be my preference. And so, that's a bit of a
5 clarification.

6 JESSE PANOFF: Just for some clarification,
7 Commissioner.

8 HEARING OFFICER: Yes, Mr. Panoff.

9 JESSE PANOFF: The 26th, does that coincide
10 with an agenda? Is that what is part of the agenda?

11 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Panoff, we don't have those
12 agenda dates yet.

13 JESSE PANOFF: Oh, okay.

14 HEARING OFFICER: Assuming that they continue on
15 every other Tuesday. We just looked at those from the end of
16 December of 2026 and then looked into January. So, I'm
17 assuming that's the case. But they have not been published
18 yet.

19 JESSE PANOFF: Okay. Thank you.

20 HEARING OFFICER: And again, I want to be very
21 clear, willing to do it whenever works for the parties. I
22 just I try to do these things when we're in person already or
23 you happen to be in Las Vegas already. But again, our
24 schedule is flexible.

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1 JESSE PANOFF: I believe for Staff subject to
2 further input and glares from anyone in the room, I believe
3 the 26th should work for Staff.

4 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Thank you. So, let's go
5 around the horn a bit here. Ms. Bone, you've heard Mr.
6 Panoff's remarks regarding the staggering of testimony. I'd
7 like to hear your thoughts.

8 DEBORAH BONE: Thank you, Commissioner Brown.
9 The Company would suggest to hold off any discussion on
10 scheduling. And I understand that Mr. Panoff was just stating
11 for the record. However, not knowing what happens in the
12 order in the IRP, I think it's hard to know what would make
13 the most sense here. We don't necessarily object outright to
14 staggering schedules but would just like to keep it open
15 depending on how the ruling comes down in the IRP and what
16 makes the most sense in these proceedings when we reconvene in
17 January.

18 HEARING OFFICER: I appreciate that, Ms. Bone.
19 You're absolutely right. I think, you know, scheduling, we're
20 not going to schedule the comments at this juncture anyway.
21 So, I guess it's probably not really necessary to go around
22 the horn because we're just going to set a continued
23 prehearing conference today.

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1 DEBORAH BONE: And Commissioner, I apologize.
2 I also meant to tell you that the 12th or the 26th are fine
3 for the Companies as well.

4 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. I appreciate that.
5 Mr. Saunders?

6 MICHAEL SAUNDERS: BCP is fine with continuing this
7 matter to the 12th or the 26th. Thank you.

8 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. Mr. Foletta?

9 LUCAS FOLETTA: Yeah, we're agreeable to that
10 too, Commissioner. No further comments from us.

11 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. I appreciate that. So,
12 Ms. Lighthart, Ms. Torrey, Ms. Forrest, any comments,
13 questions, thoughts?

14 KIM LIGHTHART: None at this time. Thank you,
15 Commissioner.

16 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. Mr. Otero? Mr.
17 Martin?

18 JASON MARTIN: No, I don't have anything to add
19 at this time. Thank you, Commissioner.

20 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Thank you. So, if it's
21 agreeable to the parties, then what I would propose is that we
22 continue this pre-hearing conference to Tuesday, January 26th
23 at 10:30 AM. Is there any objection to that proposal? All
24 right, hearing none. Are there any other matters that we need
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1 to discuss today before we adjourn this pre-hearing
2 conference? Ms. Bone?

3 DEBORAH BONE: Nothing from the Companies.
4 Thank you for your time.

5 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. Mr. Saunders?

6 MICHAEL SAUNDERS: Nothing from BCP. Thank you.

7 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Panoff?

8 JESSE PANOFF: Nothing from Staff. Thank you.

9 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Foletta?

10 LUCAS FOLETTA: Nothing. Thank you.

11 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you very much. We're
12 adjourned. Thank you.

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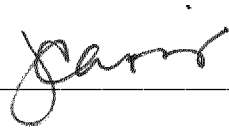
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