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ADVICE LETTER NO. 551

Trisha Osborne
Assistant Commission Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
1150 E. William Street
Carson City, NV 89710-3109

Dear Ms. Osborne:

Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy (“Nevada Power”) hereby submits for filing the following tariff sheets which do not change any of the provisions of the currently effective tariff sheets contained in Schedule QF – Short Term and do not increase rates.

<u>PUCN SHEET NO.</u>	<u>TITLE OF SHEET</u>	<u>CANCELLING PUCN SHEET NO.</u>
54th Revised 32	Schedule QF – Short Term Cogeneration and Small Power Production – Qualifying Facilities	53rd Revised 32
22nd Revised 32A	Schedule QF – Short Term Cogeneration and Small Power Production – Qualifying Facilities	21st Revised 32A

The enclosed revised tariff sheets are filed to comply with NAC 704.8783, which requires electric utilities to file annually or within 60 days of the Commission issuing an Order accepting the utilities resource plan, in the format of a tariff, their avoided short-term cost rates for purchases from Qualifying Facilities (“QFs”). The rates set forth in this filing constitute Nevada Power’s standard rates for purchases from QFs as mandated by 18 CF § 292.304. The current tariff and rates in effect are tied to indices that reflect the cost of energy the Company would avoid by making such purchases from the Qualifying Facility. These rates are applicable only to short-term purchases and, thus, are referred to as short-term avoided cost rates. Nevada Power maintains the methodology contained in the currently effective tariff. The basis for the currently effective and proposed short-term rates were provided in PUCN Docket No. 14-07019 and subsequently updated in Docket Nos. 16-02004, 17-02029, 18-04009, 19-03012, 20-01036, 21-01029, and 22-02011. If this relief is granted, there would be no changes to the rates that are currently in effect.

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Nevada Power respectfully requests that the Commission approve the enclosed tariff sheets at its earliest convenience.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this revision, please contact Jeannie Baker at 775-834-3785.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sandra Blain

Sandra Blain
Director, Regulatory Services

Enclosure

Draft Notice Application for Applications, Petitions and Complaints

The Commission requires a draft notice be included with all applications, petitions and complaints. See Nevada Administrative Code 703.162. Please include one copy of this form with all the above filings.

- I. Include a title that describes the relief requested, or proceeding scheduled pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”) 703.160(5)(a.)

Application of Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy, filed under Advice Letter No. 551, to revise Electric Tariff No. 1-B to reflect the avoided short-term cost rates for purchases from Qualifying Facilities pursuant to Qualifying Facilities Schedule QF - Short Term.

- II. Include the name of the applicant, complainant, petitioner, or the name of the agent for same pursuant to NAC 703.160 (5)(b).

Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy.

- III. Include a paragraph with a brief description of the purpose of the filing or proceeding with an introductory statement in plain English understandable to a person of average knowledge and intelligence, that summarizes the relief requested or proceeding scheduled, pursuant to NAC 704.160 (5)(c).

Nevada Power Company is required to publish the rate it will pay for short-term purchases of electricity from Qualifying Facilities. A Qualifying Facility is a cogeneration facility or a small power production facility that satisfies the criteria set forth in 18 C.F.R. 292.201 to 292.207, inclusive. Avoided costs means the incremental costs to an electric utility of electric energy or capacity or both which, but for the purchase from the Qualifying Facility, the utility would generate itself or purchase from another source. The rates set forth in this filing constitute Nevada Power Company’s standard rates for purchases from QFs as mandated by 18 CF § 292.304. The current tariff and rates in effect are tied to indices that reflect the cost of energy the Company would avoid by making such purchases from the Qualifying Facility. These rates are applicable only to short-term purchases and, thus, are referred to as short-term avoided cost rates. Nevada Power Company maintains the methodology contained in the currently effective tariff. If this relief is granted, there would be no changes to the rates that are currently in effect.

- IV. A declaration by the applicant, petitioner, or complainant whether a consumer session is required by Nevada Revised Statute (“NRS”) 704.069 (1). NAC 703.162 (2)¹

A consumer session is not required pursuant to NRS 704.069.

- V. If the draft notice pertains to a tariff filing, please include the tariff number **and** the section number(s) or schedule number(s) being revised.

54th Revised PUCN Sheet No. 32, canceling 53rd Revised PUCN Sheet No. 32.

22nd Revised PUCN Sheet No. 32A, canceling 21st Revised PUCN Sheet No. 32A.

¹ **NRS 704.069 Commission required to conduct consumer session for certain rate cases; Commission required to conduct general consumer session annually in certain counties.**

1. The Commission shall conduct a consumer session to solicit comments from the public in any matter pending before the Commission pursuant to NRS 704.061 to 704.110, inclusive, in which:

(a) A public utility has filed a general rate application, an application to recover the increased cost of purchased fuel, purchased power, or natural gas purchased for resale or an application to clear its deferred accounts; and

(b) The changes proposed in the application will result in an increase in annual gross operating revenue, as certified by the applicant, in an amount that will exceed \$50,000 or 10 percent of the applicant’s annual gross operating revenue, whichever is less.

2. In addition to the case-specific consumer sessions required by subsection 1, the Commission shall, during each calendar year, conduct at least one general consumer session in the county with the largest population in this state and at least one general consumer session in the county with the second largest population in this state. At each general consumer session, the Commission shall solicit comments from the public on issues concerning public utilities. Not later than 60 days after each general consumer session, the Commission shall submit the record from the general consumer session to the Legislative Commission.

Schedule QF – Short Term**COGENERATION AND SMALL POWER PRODUCTION - QUALIFYING FACILITIES**

APPLICABLE – This schedule is applicable only to short term purchases from Qualifying Facilities as defined in Utility's Nevada Electric Tariff No. 1-B Rule 1 where no other schedules are specifically applicable.

AVAILABLE – To qualifying facilities located in the Company's service area.

RATES

Utility will pay the sum of the following rates for the energy and capacity provided as determined by meter readings:

(1) ENERGY RATE**ALL MONTHS:****FIRM ENERGY**

The rate paid for firm on-peak or firm off-peak energy deliveries shall be calculated for each hour as the lesser of:

The hourly Market Price from the Powerdex Mead/Marketplace hourly index report for the same hour or the hourly Market Price from the Powerdex California-Oregon Border (COB) hourly index report for the same hour.

NON-FIRM ENERGY

The rate paid for non-firm energy deliveries shall be calculated for each hour and is defined as the lesser of:

The highest hourly system incremental generation cost. The incremental generation cost shall be calculated based on the daily incremental fuel cost and the applicable unit's incremental heat rate curve; or the hourly Market Price published in the Powerdex Mead/Marketplace hourly index report for the same hour or the hourly Market Price from the Powerdex California-Oregon Border (COB) hourly index report for the same hour.

(2) CAPACITY RATE - The capacity cost is included in the above firm energy rate.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The payment period for Utility purchases hereunder shall be the time interval between two consecutive meter readings that are taken for billing purposes.
2. Subject to the provisions of 18 C.F. R. § 292.304 (f), the Utility will accept all offered purchases.
3. Qualifying Facilities providing energy to Utility hereunder shall be entitled to receive electric service from Utility on the filed rates schedule(s) contained in Utility's Nevada Electric Tariff No. 1-B applicable to the type and location of the Qualifying Facility.
4. All purchases made under this schedule are subject to the provisions of Rule No. 15 as contained in Utility's Nevada Electric Tariff No. 1-B.
5. The rates under this schedule shall become effective upon Commission approval and will continue in effect until superseded.
6. Should the index described under ENERGY RATE section become permanently unavailable, the Utility shall refile its tariff as soon as reasonably possible. Until the refiled tariff becomes effective, Qualifying Facilities shall be paid a rate per MWH equal to the average of the applicable hourly prices for the last available month.
7. The Utility shall provide upon demand to any person who receives or desires to receive payment under this schedule, all references and procedures used in calculating rates for this schedule.
8. Firm energy is defined as (1) Energy that has firm resources backing up the energy and is under a firm contract for delivery to the Utility, or (2) energy that has been pre-scheduled, or (3) energy that is financially firm and backed up with liquidated damages pursuant to the terms of a contract between the Utility and the Qualifying Facility governing liquidated damages. Energy not meeting the criteria of firm energy will be considered and paid at the non-firm rate.

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CERTIFICATION

Application For Tariff Approval Filed Under An Advice Letter

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Sandra Blain, hereby certifies as follows:

1. I am an authorized representative of Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy.
(utility name)
2. Pursuant to NRS 704.100(1)(f), I attest that to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, formed after a reasonable inquiry, the proposed change in schedule does not change any rate or result in an increase in the annual gross operating revenue of Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy in an amount that exceeds \$15,000.
(utility name)

I certify that the foregoing statements are true.

December 9, 2024

Date


Signature

Sandra Blain
Printed Name

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing filing of **NEVADA POWER COMPANY D/B/A NV ENERGY** in Docket No. 24-120__ upon the persons listed below by electronic email:

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DATED this 9th day of December, 2024.

/s/Llilanya Davidson
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