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NOTICE TO PNM CUSTOMERS

Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM) has filed an application requesting issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct, own and operate the Mid-State 345 kV Transmission Project and associated facilities (the "Project"). The Project is a new, approximately 102.8-mile, 345 kV transmission path extending from PNM's Western Spirit Switching Station to the Hidden Mountain Substation and includes related station expansions, reactive support, series compensation, and remedial action scheme modifications. PNM also requests approval to locate the Project within the proposed transmission-study corridor. The Project will also require Commission approval of a Right-of-Way (ROW) width of 200 feet. Additionally, PNM is requesting, to the extent the Commission deems it necessary express, written authorization for PNM to acquire the transmission line from Pattern once it is constructed. The Project is needed to provide the network reinforcement required to deliver renewable energy interconnected in eastern New Mexico toward PNM's principal load-serving area, strengthen system reliability and resiliency, support load growth and changing resource needs, and improve operational flexibility. PNM requests a procedural schedule that permits a final order on the ROW-width request within six months and on the CCN and location-approval requests within nine months after filing. PNM's application includes best-known cost estimates for the Project, however any ratemaking treatment will be deferred to a future general rate case.

More information about this case can be found on PNM's website, https://www.pnm.com/regulatory, or by contacting the Commission at the addresses and telephone number provided below. The Commission has assigned Docket No. 26-_____ to this case. All questions or written comments about this case should refer to this docket number.

NO ACTION IS REQUIRED UNLESS YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC HEARING OR COMMENT ON THE PROCEEDINGS.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held beginning at [time] on **[date]**, to hear and receive testimony, exhibits, and legal arguments about PNM's application. The public hearing will take place via the Zoom platform. Members of the public can watch the hearing via a livestream on the Commission's YouTube channel and its website, https://www.prc.nm.gov/public-hearings/.

If you wish to participate in the hearing as a party to this case, you must file a motion for leave to intervene on or before **[date]**. Anyone filing pleadings, documents or testimony in this case must comply with the Commission's electronic filing policy and serve a copy on all parties, the Commission's Staff, and the assigned hearing examiners.

The Commission's Rules of Procedure, found at 1.2.2 NMAC, apply to this case except if modified by order of the Commission or hearing examiners. The rules of procedure and other NMPRC rules are available online at the New Mexico Compilation Commission at https://nmonesource.com/nmos/en/nav.do.

PUBLIC COMMENT

If you are interested in the case but do not wish to become a party, you may make written and oral comments as allowed by Rule 1.2.2.23(F) NMAC. Public comments are not taken at the evidentiary hearing because they are not evidence, but they are reviewed and considered by Commission staff. You may send written comments before the Commission takes final action by sending the comment, which must specifically reference Docket No. 26-____, to prc.records@prc.nm.gov. The Commission may also be reached by telephone at 1-888-427-5772 if there are questions about how to submit written comments. Additionally, oral comments may be taken at public comment hearing if one is scheduled by the Commission. If a public comment hearing is scheduled, the date, time and location will be provided on the Commission's website. Public comment is also welcome during Commission open meetings. The open meetings schedule is available on the Commission's website.

IF YOU ARE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY WHO IS IN NEED OF A READER, AMPLIFIER, QUALIFIED SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER, OR ANY OTHER FORM OF AUXILIARY AID OR SERVICE TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING. OR FOR A SUMMARY OR OTHER TYPE OF ACCESSIBLE FORMAT OF PUBLIC DOCUMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OF THE COMMISSION AT (505) 827-8019 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THE HEARING.

Any person who desires more information about this case may contact the Commission by phone at (505) 827-4084 or 1-888-427-5772 or by email at Ryan.Jimenez@prc.nm.gov.

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