

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

**Investigation into the Rule 9 tariffs of Nevada Power)
Company d/b/a NV Energy and Sierra Pacific Power) Docket No. 11-08004
Company d/b/a NV Energy.)
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**NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION
AND
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

On August 10, 2011, at a regularly scheduled agenda, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada ("Commission") voted to open an investigation into the Rule 9 tariffs of Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy ("NPC") and Sierra Pacific Power Company d/b/a NV Energy ("SPPC"). This investigation is designated as Docket No. 11-08004.

This investigation is being conducted pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") Chapters 703 and 704, including but not limited to NRS 703.150, 704.001(3) and 704.120.

This investigation was opened in response to the issues presented in Docket No. 10-06021 concerning extending the expiration period for refunding construction allowances under Rule 9 line extension agreements. The purpose of the investigation is to identify and address the terms in NPC's and SPPC's Rule 9 tariffs that should be investigated and evaluated for possible revision to adequately balance the interests of all interested persons in a fair and equitable manner, and appropriately allocate risk among all persons affected by the Rule 9 tariffs.

Interested and affected persons may file comments at either of the Commission's offices on or before WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2011. Interested and affected persons may file reply comments at either of the Commission's offices on or before WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011. Comments should specifically address the provisions of the Rule 9

tariffs that require changes due to the passage of time or items that should be changed in order to fairly balance the interests of affected parties going forward.

This matter is on file and available for public viewing at the Commission's website at: <http://puc.nv.gov> and at the offices of the Commission: 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701 and 9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250 Las Vegas, Nevada 89148. This Notice has been posted at the county courthouses located in Reno, Carson City and Las Vegas.

By the Commission,



BREANNE POTTER,
Assistant Commission Secretary

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

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