

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (NMPRC or Commission) gives notice of its proposed adoption of amendment to Rule 17.7.3 NMAC pertaining to Integrated Resource Planning (“IRP”) regulated by the Commission pursuant to the Efficient Use of Energy Act (EUEA), NMSA § 62-17-1 *et seq.*, **Summary of the full text of the proposed rule and short explanation of purpose:** The amendment would delete Subsection B of Section 17.7.3.12 NMAC pertaining to the use of the IRPs by utilities in subsequent resource acquisition proceedings in order to comply with § 62-17-10 of the EUEA. Copies of the Order Initiating Proposed Rulemaking containing the full text of the proposed rule, as well as additional information and filing instructions, may be downloaded from the Proposed Rulemaking section of the Commission’s website at <http://www.nmprc.state.nm.us> under Case No. 17-00198-UT or by calling the Commission’s Records Management Bureau at (505) 827-6968.

Written Initial Comments and written Response Comments shall be filed by the deadlines below with the Commission’s Records Management Bureau at P.O. Box 1269, Santa Fe, NM 87504-1269 or by hand delivery to the NMPRC Records Management Bureau at 1120 Paseo de Peralta, Room 406, Santa Fe, NM 87501 as follows: Written Initial Comments not later than October 18, 2017, and written Response Comments not later than November 1, 2017. Comments shall refer to Case No. 17-00198-UT. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the commission may permit or request additional filed written comments, due no later than the date of record closure.

A public hearing will be held on November 15, 2017, beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the offices of the Commission located in the 4th Floor Hearing Room of the old PERA Building, at 1120 Paseo de Peralta, in Santa Fe. The purpose of the hearing is to **receive oral comments**. Because commenters are afforded the opportunity to submit written comments and written responses to the Commission, **any individual who wants to provide oral comments shall be limited to five minutes to express those comments, subject to the Commission’s discretion**. The Commission may also determine that a spokesperson be designated to speak on behalf of an organization, a group, or a group of individuals that shares the same message or seeks the same goals, in order to maximize the efficiency of the public comment hearing. No testimony or other evidence will be taken at the hearing as this is a rulemaking proceeding.

The record of this case will close fourteen (14) days after the public hearing held on November 15, 2017 (date of record closure is November 29, 2017).

Interested persons should contact the Commission to confirm the date, time, and place of this public hearing because hearings are occasionally rescheduled. If you are an individual with a disability and you require assistance or an auxiliary aid (such as a sign language interpreter) to participate in any aspect of this process, please contact Ms. Kathleen Segura at (505) 827-4501 at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of the hearing.

**Statutory Authority:** New Mexico Constitution, Article XI, Sec. 2; NMSA 1978, §8-8-4(B)(10); the Efficient Use of Energy Act (EUEA), NMSA § 62-17-1 *et seq.*