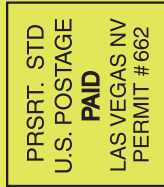


Interested and affected persons may file comments in writing at either of the addresses on the cover.

On October 3, 2005, Sierra Pacific Power filed its mandatory biennial electric General Rate Case with the PUCN. In January 2006, the company filed an update to the General Rate Case, which significantly reduced Sierra Pacific Power's proposed total rate increase request.

In its original application to the PUCN, Sierra Pacific Power requested to increase general electric rates by \$27.1 million, or an overall 3.35 percent, covering a test period from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. On January 23, 2006, the company made its Certification Filing with the PUCN lowering its requested increase to \$3.2 million, or an overall increase of 0.36 percent. The change is due to an update in the time period covered by this filing, extending it to October 31, 2005, to account for new customer growth during that period, and a change in the calculation of depreciation expenses.

The following chart includes a list of customer classes and their associated proposed percentage increases and proposed monthly dollar changes. These rate changes are approximate and represent averages for each customer class. Actual changes to individual customers' bills will vary. The PUCN may approve rates either higher or lower than those noticed.



public notice - electric customers

GENERAL RATE CASE HEARING NOTICE

The Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) has scheduled evidentiary hearings for Sierra Pacific Power Company's (Sierra Pacific Power) Electric General Rate Case as follows.

All meetings begin at 10 a.m. in Hearing Room A of the Offices of the PUCN at 1150 East William Street in Carson City, Nevada on the following dates:

February 21-22 – Cost of Capital

February 27-28 – Depreciation

March 13-16 – Revenue Requirements

March 21-23 – Rate Design

The Electric General Rate Application is available for public review and additional information can be obtained at any Sierra Pacific Power business office, or the offices of the Commission at:

1150 East William Street, Carson City, NV 89701; –or–
101 Convention Center Drive, Ste. 250
Las Vegas, NV 89109.

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RATE CLASSES		PERCENTAGE CHANGE	PROPOSED MONTHLY INCREASE OR DECREASE
D-1	Single-Family Residential	2.22%	\$ 2
DM-1	Multi-Family Residential	-2.62%	\$ -2
GS-1	General Service	0.89%	\$ 2
GS-2	Medium General Service	-0.57%	\$ -23
OGS-1-TOU	Optional General Service, Time of Use	0.95%	\$ 5
OGS-2-TOU	Optional Medium General Service, Time of Use	-6.07%	\$ -256
GS-2-TOU	Medium General Service, Time of Use	1.67%	\$ 506
GS-3	Large General Service	-0.34%	\$ -425
GS-4	Large Transmission Service	-0.19%	\$ -1,718
FSS	Firm Standby Service	-1.12%	\$ -344
SFSS	Small Firm Standby Service	1.92%	\$ 15
IS-1	Irrigation Service	2.28%	\$ 8
IS-2	Interruptible Irrigation Service	4.98%	\$ 146
WP	City of Elko Water Pumping	2.26%	\$ 1,469
SL	Street Lighting Service	0.89%	\$ 0
OLS	Outdoor Lighting Service	-2.66%	\$ 0
OD-1-TOU	Optional Domestic Service, Time of Use	2.38%	\$ 5
ODM-1-TOU	Optional Domestic Service Multi-Family, Time of Use	n/a	n/a
TOTAL		0.36%	n/a