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## **NOTICE TO PNM CUSTOMERS**

Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM) filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CCN) to construct, own and operate 30 megawatts of battery energy storage facilities, to be connected to PNM's distribution system, with the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission on August 6, 2025 (PRC Case No. 25-00055-UT). If approved, the facilities will be located at five existing PNM solar facility sites and will store a total of 30 MW of existing, co-located solar power. The sites are located in Otero County, San Miguel County, Luna County and two in Valencia County. Four of the sites are located outside of existing municipal boundaries, and one of the two facilities in Valencia County (at the Jarales 12 feeder) is within the City of Rio Communities.

PNM is not seeking a determination on the ratemaking treatment of the estimated \$78.7 million investment for the BESS Project in this proceeding. Instead, the proposed ratemaking treatment will be included in PNM's next general rate case. PNM does seek authorization to recover the actual cost of the project, including allowance for funds used during construction, which it anticipates will be approximately \$2.9 million, with the reasonableness of the final actual costs subject to Commission review and determination in a future general rate case.

PNM's application provides additional information about the need for these battery storage systems, the five proposed locations, the cost and other details of the contract for the project, safety and environmental justice considerations, and how the project satisfies the criteria for issuance of a CCN – including how it serves the public interest. PRC proceedings have begun to address the requests in PNM's application.

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

The Application and other filings in this case are available at the Commission's website under "Case Lookup E-docket" at <a href="https://www.prc.nm.gov/case-lookup-e-docket/">https://www.prc.nm.gov/case-lookup-e-docket/</a>, by referencing Case No. 25-00055-UT, and on PNM's website, <a href="https://www.pnm.com/regulatory">https://www.pnm.com/regulatory</a>.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing will be held beginning at 9:00 a.m. on **December 9, 2025**, 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, <a href="https://www.prc.nm.gov/public-hearings/">https://www.prc.nm.gov/public-hearings/</a>.

If you wish to participate in the hearing as a party to this case you must file a motion for leave to intervene pursuant to 1.2.2.23 NMAC on or before **November 7, 2025**. Anyone filing pleadings, documents or testimony in this case must serve a copy on all parties and the Commission Staff. Filings must also be sent to the assigned hearing examiners. The Commission's Rules of Procedure, found at 1.2.2 NMAC, apply to this case except as 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 <a href="https://nmonesource.com/nmos/en/nav.do">https://nmonesource.com/nmos/en/nav.do</a>.

Anyone filing pleadings, documents, or testimony in this case shall comply with the Commission's electronic filing policy. Filings must be in PDF format and be Optical Character Recognition ("OCR") enabled. Filings must include an electronic signature and be sent to the Record Management Bureau's email address, prc.records@prc.nm.gov, within regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. MT) of the due date in order to be considered timely filed. Anyone whose testimony is filed in this case must attend the public hearing and submit to examination under oath unless otherwise determined by the hearing examiners.

## **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 Case No. 25-00055-UT, to prc.records@prc.nm.gov, or Commission Records Management Bureau, P.O.

Box 1269, Santa Fe, NM 87504-1269. The Commission may 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 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's Consumer Relations Division by phone at (505) 827-4084 or 1-888-427-5772 or by email at Ryan.Jimenez@prc.nm.gov.