


PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA
MEMORANDUM

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TO: Trisha Osborne, Assistant Commission Secretary
Via: Anne-Marie Cuneo, DRO 

FROM: Percy Lucban, Electrical Engineer, Engineering Division *PL/KL*

SUBJECT: Docket No. 19-05010; Application of Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy, under the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act, for a permit to construct a 230/69 kV auto bank and associated facilities at the Bighorn Substation located in Clark County, Nevada.

On May 3, 2019, pursuant to the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act (“UEPA”), Nevada Revised Statutes (“NRS”) 704.820 through 704.900, and Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”) 703.415 through 703.427, Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy (“NV Energy”) filed with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (“Commission”) an Application for a Permit to construct a 230/69 kilovolt (“kV”) auto bank and associated facilities at the Bighorn Substation (the “Project”) located in unincorporated Clark County, Nevada.

On July 17, 2019, the Commission issued an Order granting the Application of NV Energy for its UEPA Permit to construct the Project, subject to a single compliance requirement as delineated in the Order.

On August 30, 2019, the Commission issued an Order in Docket No. 19-05003,¹ which accepted the Stipulation within that docket. As part of the Commission’s Order, approval of the 230/69 kV auto bank was granted.²

On September 3, 2019, NV Energy filed with the Commission its letter to pursuant to ordering paragraph 5 of the July 17, 2019, Order, requesting that the Commission issue a Permit to Construct for the Bighorn Substation Project.

Staff has reviewed the letter filed by NV Energy and verified that NV Energy has met its requirements prior to constructing the new 230/69 kV auto bank and associated facilities at the Bighorn Substation. Staff recommends that the Commission issue a UEPA Permit to Construct for the Project pursuant to the July 17, 2019, Order. Additionally, since the compliance item listed in the Commission’s July 17, 2019, Order has been met, Staff also recommends that the Commission close the Docket.

¹ See Docket No. 19-05003, Joint Application of Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy and Sierra Pacific Power Company d/b/a NV Energy for approval of the second amendment to its 2018 Joint Integrated Resource Plan to update and modify the load forecast, the Demand-Side Management Action Plan, the generation portion of the Supply-Side Action Plan, and the Transmission Action Plan.

² See Docket No. 19-05003, Stipulation page 5, paragraph 14, dated August 2, 2019.