## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets **formitted material** is material to be omitted.

## **Section 1.** NAC 704.9492 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- NAC 704.9492 1. A utility shall file, as part of its resource plan, the methodology for estimating the rates for long-term avoided cost of the utility, including the capacity and energy components. The rates for long-term avoided cost must be based upon the utility's preferred plan and be consistent with 18 C.F.R. § 292.304(a), (b), (c) and (e).
- 2. The utility shall file as part of its resource plan the data for avoided costs required by 18 C.F.R § 292.302(b).

The estimated rate for long term avoided cost must be established for various sizes of megawatt blocks, except that:

- <u>(a)</u> If the utility has a peak demand of at least 1,000 megawatts, the stated blocks must not exceed 100 megawatts; and
- (b) If the utility has a peak demand of less than 1,000 megawatts, the stated blocks must not exceed 10 percent of the system peak.
- 3. The components for estimated long term avoided cost capacity and energy rate must be stated on a cents per kilowatt hour basis for daily and seasonal peak and off peak periods and in such a manner that rates for various contract periods may be calculated. The utility shall maintain for public inspection the data for long-term avoided costs consistent with 18 C.F.R. § 292.302(b). Notwithstanding the filing of the avoided costs data to filed with its resource plan, the data for long-term avoided costs consistent with 18 C.F.R. § 292.302(b) shall be filed with the Commission at least once every two years [At a minimum, the utility shall provide estimated rates for long-term avoided cost for a 20 year contract and the long term avoided cost by year for 5 years commencing in the year following the filing of the resource plan.]
- 4. In developing the estimated rates for long-term avoided cost, the proposed rates must not be applied to <u>frenewable energy or to</u> energy that is subject to the qualified energy recovery process as defined in <u>NRS 704.7809</u>.
- 5. The utility shall specify its proposed limits concerning the availability of the rates for long-term avoided cost.

- 6. The resource plan of the utility must include the analyses and calculations used to determine the proposed rates.
- 7. The resource plan must include a description of the methodology that will be used to derive the rates for long-term avoided costs from the solicitation of proposals performed pursuant to subsection 5 of <u>NAC 704.9496</u>.