

Notice of Utility Tariff Filing

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA (Commission) gives notice that Alaska Electric Light & Power Company (AEL&P) filed tariff revision TA446-1, to add the new Small Facility Power Purchase Rate (SFPPR) to its tariff in compliance with a recently-enacted Commission regulation (3 AAC 50.790(d)). The SFPPR will replace the existing Non-Firm Power Purchase Rate (NFPPR).

3 AAC 50.790(d) states that by April 1, 2016, a regulated electric utility must submit a proposed tariff filing that includes a standard rate for purchase of energy from qualifying facilities (QF) with a design capacity of 100 kW or less. 3 AAC 50.770(i) states that the SFPPR must be expressed in cents-per-kilowatt-hour unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. The rate must be determined from the sum of fuel costs and variable operations and maintenance expenses and the energy portion of purchased power expense, using the same period employed to project costs and sales in the utility's adjustment clause (in this case a Cost of Power Adjustment (COPA)) methodology, divided by the number of kilowatt-hours sold for the same time period.

With TA446-1, AEL&P proposes two rates for the SFPPR. Rate A is for use when energy is available from AEL&P-owned hydroelectric generators and the Snettisham hydroelectric facility is sufficient to meet all AEL&P customers' firm energy requirements. Rate B is for use when AEL&P is using diesel fuel to generate electricity. However, diesel generation for maintenance and testing purposes of two hours or less per day will not cause this rate to become effective. AEL&P proposes calculating Rate A by using the incremental cost of firm energy per kilowatt-hour from Snettisham. AEL&P proposes calculating Rate B by dividing the cost of diesel fuel consumed in the three months preceding the filing by the kilowatt hours produced by diesel generation in the same period. The proposed calculations for Rates A and B do not contain any changes from the currently effective formulas in for calculating the NFPPR.

AEL&P's initial proposed SFPPR Rate A is \$0.0000/kWh, which represents no change from the existing NFPPR Rate A of \$0.0000/kWh.

AEL&P's initial proposed SFPPR Rate B is \$0.3078/kWh, which represents no change from the existing NFPPR Rate B of \$0.3078/kWh.

The Commission may approve a rate or classification which varies from that proposed. You may obtain more information about this filing by contacting Tim McLeod, President of AEL&P, at 5601 Tonsgard Court, Juneau, AK 99801-7201; phone: (907) 780-2222. The complete filing is also available for inspection at the Commission's office at 701 West 8th Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99501; phone: (907) 276-6222, or may be viewed at the Commission's website at <http://rca.alaska.gov> by typing "TA446-1" in the *Find a Matter* search box.

To comment on this filing, please file your comments by 5:00 p.m., May 9, 2016, at the Commission's address given above or via our website at:

<https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/WhatsNew/PublicNoticesComments.aspx>

Please reference TA446-1 and include a statement that you have filed a copy of the comments with AEL&P at its address given above or by email at tim.mcleod@aelp.com.

Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or service, or alternative communication formats, please contact Joyce McGowan at (907) 276-6222, toll-free at 1-800-390-2782, TTY (907) 276-4533 or send a request via electronic mail to rca.mail@alaska.gov by May 2, 2016.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 8th day of April, 2016.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie C. Vogler", with a stylized, flowing script.

Julie C. Vogler
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