

Notice of Utility Tariff Filing

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA (Commission) gives notice that Alaska Pacific Environmental Services Nome, LLC d/b/a Pacific Waste (APES-Nome) filed tariff revision TA23-655, proposing to clarify, modify, or correct certain definitions and rules in its tariff. Some examples of the proposed tariff revisions are listed below:

- Deposit provisions at Rule 200.20.3 have been revised from requiring the utility to refund deposit after one year to requiring a refund after twelve consecutive months of timely payments. Rule 200.50.12, a provision that requires an advance payment to reinstate service after it has been cancelled for nonpayment, was also revised to state twelve consecutive months of timely payments.
- Rule 200.50.1 has been revised from “payment is due within fifteen days of billing date” to “[p]ayment is due as of the billing date”.
- The length of time before an account is considered past due, stated at Rule 200.50.8, has been changed from 45 days to 25 days.
- A new provision allowing APES-Nome to render make-up bills within six months of service has been introduced as Rule 200.50.17.
- A provision specifying that it is the customer’s responsibility to verify the utility billing, and that charges are binding unless objected to within six months of billing, has been introduced as Rule 200.50.18.
- Vacation credit provisions at Rule 200.50.7 have been changed to limit a vacation credit period to two months.
- Rule 200.70.1 governing Customer Provided Equipment (CPE), has been revised to add specifications for CPEs. In addition, the utility will bear any repair or replacement costs of CPE for failure of the utility to exercise reasonable care.
- The mailing address for written informal customer complaint stated at Rule 200.80.1 has been changed to 3301 C Street, Suite 209, Anchorage, AK from 120 East First Avenue, Nome, AK.
- The provision related to Termination of Service by the Utility (See Rule 200.140.1) was modified to add two additional grounds for termination: (1) failure on the part of the customer to observe the rules and regulations of the company; and (2) the use of profane or obscene language, reasonably to be expected to frighten, abuse, torment or harass utility personnel.

This notice does not contain all requested revisions and the Commission may approve a rate or classification which varies from that proposed. You may obtain more information about this filing by contacting Chelsea Crawley, Consultant for Alaska Pacific Environmental Services, 800 East Dimond, #3-670, Anchorage, AK 99515; phone: (907) 522-2130, or APES-Nome at 120 East 1st Street, Nome, AK 99762; phone: (907) 443-5590. 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 Docket “TA23-655” in the *Find a Matter* search box.

To comment on this filing, please file your comments by 5:00 p.m., April 23, 2015, at the Commission’s address given above or via our website at:

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

Please reference TA23-655 and include a statement that you’ve filed a copy of the comments with APES-Nome Consultant the address given above or by email to ccrawley@aktcpa.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 April 15, 2015.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 24th day of March, 2015.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Keen', is written over the printed name and title.

James Keen
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