## Chapter 704 of NAC

# PROPOSED TEMPORARY REGULATION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

#### **LCB File No. T005-11**

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

Investigation and rulemaking regarding revisions to the	)	
Consumer Bill of Rights regulations as impacted by	)	D 1 (N 10 0700)
aspects of Advanced Service Delivery.		Docket No. 10-07024

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION,

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP AND NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ADOPTION, AMENDMENT AND REPEAL OF REGULATIONS OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

On July 28, 2010, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada ("Commission") voted to open an investigation and rulemaking to address the issue of remote termination of service that will be enabled by Advanced Service Delivery and the appropriate level of arrearage that must accumulate prior to the termination of service pursuant to the Consumer Bill of Rights regulations in Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") 704.302 through 704.390. On October 27, 2010, the Commission voted to expand the scope of the investigation and rulemaking to address potential changes to residential natural gas customers. This matter has been designated as Docket No. 10-07024.

The Commission will hold a public WORKSHOP at 9:00 A.M. on TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011, at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room A, 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701 and via videoconference to Hearing Room A, 9075 W. Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las Vegas, Nevada 89148. The purpose of the workshop is to solicit comments from all interested persons on the proposed regulations which revise the Consumer Bill of Rights

regulations as impacted by aspects of Advanced Service Delivery. A period will be provided for comments by the general public and discussion of those comments. Public comments may be limited to 5 minutes per person at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.

The Commission will hold a public HEARING at 9:00 A.M. on THURSDAY APRIL 7, 2011, at the offices of the Commission, Hearing Room A, 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701 and via videoconference to Hearing Room A, 9075 W. Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las Vegas, Nevada 89148. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment, and repeal of regulations which revise the Consumer Bill of Rights regulations as impacted by aspects of Advanced Service Delivery. A period will be provided for comments by the general public and discussion of those comments. Public comments may be limited to 5 minutes per person at the discretion of the Presiding Officer. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed regulations appears at the hearing to request time to make an oral presentation, the Commission may proceed to act upon any written submissions.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

The proposed regulations are needed to address the issue of remote termination of service that will be enabled by Advanced Service Delivery and the appropriate level of arrearage that must accumulate prior to the termination of service pursuant to the Consumer Bill of Rights regulations in NAC 704.302 through 704.390.

The proposed regulations are expected to have beneficial immediate and long-term economic effects on the businesses that they are to regulate and on the public by specifying the conditions upon which service to an advanced service delivery meter customer may be terminated by an electric or gas utility.

The Commission will use the simplified Delphi method in determining the impact on small businesses, whereby experts review the text of the proposed regulations and determine the

likely impact of the proposed regulations on small businesses. These experts share their responses with each other and form a consensus view.

It is unknown at this time whether there will be an additional cost to the Commission for the enforcement of the proposed regulations.

The proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any federal, state, or local regulations.

The proposed regulations are not required pursuant to federal law.

The proposed regulations are not more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity.

The proposed regulations do not establish any new fee or increase an existing fee.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Commission may appear at the scheduled workshop and hearing or may address their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the Commission at 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701 or 9075 W. Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las Vegas, Nevada 89148 on or before TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2011.

A copy of this notice and the proposed regulations to be adopted, amended, or repealed will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the proposed regulations to be adopted, amended, or repealed are on file and available for public viewing at the Commission's website at http://puc.nv.gov, the offices of the Commission at 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701 and 9075 W. Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las Vegas, Nevada 89148, and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This

notice and the text of the proposed regulations are also available in the State of Nevada Register

of Administrative Regulations (LCB File No. T005-11), which is prepared and published

monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the Internet at

http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulations will also be

mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it

is deemed necessary. This does not apply to a public body subject to the Open Meeting Law.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the Commission, if requested to do so by an interested

person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the

principal reasons for and against its adoption or incorporate therein its reason for overruling the

consideration urged against its adoption.

This notice has been posted at the county courthouses located in Reno, Carson City, and

Las Vegas.

By the Commission,

BREANNE POTTER,

**Assistant Commission Secretary** 

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

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