

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 703.025, 704.185, 704.187 and 704.210.

A REGULATION relating to public utilities; revising the calculation of the carrying charge applicable to the monthly debit or credit balance in certain accounts of electric utilities and gas utilities; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Section 1.** NAC 704.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

704.150 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a carrying charge must be computed on the current *average monthly* debit or credit balance ~~[at the end of each month]~~ in FERC Account No. 186, for electric operations, or FERC Account No. 191, for gas operations, and must be respectively debited or credited to the account at the *carrying charge* rate of one-twelfth of the overall rate of return as authorized by the Commission for the particular department or division of the electric utility or gas utility ~~[ ]~~, *adjusted for federal income tax applicable to the equity component of the overall rate of return computed at the applicable statutory rate*. The rate of the carrying charge must be applied to the entire balance in FERC Account No. 186, for electric operations, or FERC Account No. 191, for gas operations ~~[ ]~~, *net of applicable accumulated deferred income taxes, as follows:*

*Carrying charge = (Carrying charge rate) x (average deferred energy balance for the month) x (1 - statutory deferred income tax rate)*

2. The contra entries for the carrying charge must be made to FERC Account No. 419, for gas operations.

3. If, in any month, the Nevada jurisdictional earned rate of return for an operating department of the electric utility or gas utility ~~[for the test period]~~ exceeds the overall rate of return last authorized by the Commission for that department, and if the *average* monthly balance in FERC Account No. 186, for electric operations, or FERC Account No. 191, for gas operations, is a debit, an adjustment amount will be calculated equal to the amount which exceeds the utility's last authorized rate of return. *The Nevada jurisdictional earned rate of return will be calculated quarterly using the 12-month period ending with the last month of the quarter and will apply to the carrying charge calculation in each month of that quarter.* Carrying charges may accrue only on that portion of the debit balance which exceeds the adjustment amount.