

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

Proposed Rulemaking Concerning Utah
Code §§ 54-26-101 to -901, Large-Scale
Electric Service Requirements

DOCKET NO. 25-R318-01

NOTICE OF SECOND VIRTUAL
SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

ISSUED: May 27, 2025

S.B. 132, Electric Utility Amendments, became effective on May 7, 2025.

Pursuant to Utah Code § 63G-3-301, the Public Service Commission (PSC) must initiate rulemaking within 180 days of the bill's effective date.

The PSC held a scheduling conference on May 22, 2025, during which participants requested additional information from the PSC and asked the PSC set another scheduling conference for the following week. Specifically, participants inquired (1) whether the PSC could provide any information regarding the timeline for the retention and work product of the independent consultant (IE) the PSC will retain pursuant to Utah Code § 54-26-901; and (2) whether the PSC desires to participate in informal workshops stakeholders intend to hold regarding the subject matter of this docket.

As to the first query, the PSC is endeavoring to retain an IE and intends to issue a request for proposals in the next seven days. The PSC anticipates it will require at least 45 days to select and retain an IE. The PSC will act expeditiously to select an IE and establish a schedule for the IE's work that is as expeditious as possible but allows the IE sufficient time to perform thorough and competent work. The PSC suggests

stakeholders begin preparing their initial comments and proposals with the expectation the IE will commence participation as soon as is practicable.

With respect to the second question, the PSC encourages parties to collaborate and hold informal workshops that are not hosted by the PSC. Simultaneously, the PSC anticipates that its participation in some discussions with stakeholders will prove fruitful to the rulemaking process. Therefore, the PSC intends to include in the schedule of this docket one or more technical conferences, which the PSC will host. The PSC anticipates it will hold the first technical conference after stakeholders have filed, at least, their initial comments and proposals. To the extent stakeholders desire to hold additional informal workshops amongst themselves, the PSC recognizes that accommodating the schedule of the PSC may be inconvenient and that its participation may, to some degree, chill the informal dialogue amongst stakeholders. Therefore, the PSC does not intend to participate in informal workshops that stakeholders may organize.

Finally, at the scheduling conference on May 22, participants indicated some consensus existed for a bifurcated proceeding with the first phase considering rules that the law requires the PSC to issue no later than January 1, 2026, and a second phase to consider rules that are discretionary and/or not susceptible to the same statutory deadline.

Having considered the issue, the PSC believes sufficient time exists such that it prefers to consider any and all rules that may stem from S.B. 132 from the outset of

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this proceeding. Stakeholders are free to prioritize their attention and comments as they see fit, but the PSC will not preclude parties from submitting comments or proposed rules on any subject for which S.B. 132 contemplates rulemaking in their initial filings.

Accordingly, the PSC will conduct a second virtual scheduling conference in this docket on **Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 12:30 p.m.** The conference will be held via Google Meet at the following link: (meet.google.com/gnt-saaa-igf). Participants should be prepared to discuss a schedule for this docket.

In the event of unresolvable technological problems related to the scheduling conference's video conferencing, participants should use the following audio-only participation information: 413-829-7700 PIN: 354 270 868#.

Individuals needing accommodations during the conference should notify the PSC at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the conference.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, May 27, 2025.

/s/ Michael J. Hammer
Presiding Officer

Attest:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on May 27, 2025, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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