

# PUCN Connection

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM the PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

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## Water & Sewer Assistance Program

The Water and Sewer Assistance Program (WSAP) provides a supplement to assist qualifying low-income Nevadans with the cost of water and wastewater bills. Nevada's WSAP program is funded through funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act and American Rescue Plan Act.



The applications for the WSAP will be accepted through September 30, 2023, or until funding is exhausted. Eligible households receive a one-time benefit paid directly to their water and wastewater providers.

For more information, visit the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services Division of Welfare and Supportive Services website, [dwss.nv.gov/Energy/Water\\_and\\_Sewer\\_Assistance/](https://dwss.nv.gov/Energy/Water_and_Sewer_Assistance/).

## 14 Winter Energy Saving Tips for Nevadans

The information below is provided by the Nevada Housing Division and is available online at [homeispossiblenv.org/blog/14-easy-peasy-winter-energy-saving-tips-nevadans](https://homeispossiblenv.org/blog/14-easy-peasy-winter-energy-saving-tips-nevadans).

### ZERO DOLLARS, PERFECT SENSE

We love us some free, money-saving energy tips! Here are just a few:

1. Take advantage of the [free smart thermostat](#) NV Energy offers.
2. In the meantime, turn your thermostat down 10-15 degrees for eight hours a day when you're not home or sleeping. This can save 10% on your heating bill annually according to [energy.gov](https://www.energy.gov).
3. Close vents in the rooms you seldom use like a guest room. (But be sure to open them before your holiday guests arrive!)
4. Say yes to the [free energy assessment](#) NV Energy offers.
5. Invite the sunshine in by raising shades and opening curtains. A little solar gain means a little saving on your heating bill.
6. Spin your fan clockwise. Ceiling fans will force hot air down in the cooler months. (Conversely, counterclockwise rotation in the hotter months will force the warm air up and away from you.)

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## PUCN CALENDAR

**November 8 | 10 a.m.**

**Regular Agenda Meeting**

PUCN offices in Carson City & Las Vegas  
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**Nov. 7 - 10 | 10 a.m.**

**Hearing for NV Energy's Application  
to Adjust General Rates Charged to  
Customers in Northern Nevada**

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**Nov. 11**

**Closed for Veterans Day**

**Nov. 24 - 25**

**Closed for Thanksgiving & Family Day**

**November 29 | 10 a.m.**

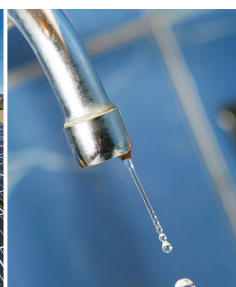
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View the full PUCN calendar at

[https://pucweb1.state.nv.us/puc2/  
PUCCalendar.aspx](https://pucweb1.state.nv.us/puc2/PUCCalendar.aspx)



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## Winter Energy Saving Tips: *continued from page 1*

- Keep the damper in your fireplace closed when not in use. Otherwise, the warm air will go right up the chimney. (We're not heating the whole neighborhood, right Dad?)
- Bundle up! Your favorite sweatshirt or a cushy throw blanket could be just what the heat seeker ordered. Add layers before — or instead of — adjusting your thermostat.
- Check out our [Weatherization Assistance Program](#), designed to reduce energy costs for low-income families.
- Make sure your insulation measures up. Not sure what to look for? [Read this](#).
- Make your desert home a little less desert-y by adding a humidifier. Moist air feels warmer than dry air and it holds heat better. Oh yeah, and there are [other health benefits](#), too.
- Lights! Action! Any season is the right time to change your incandescent light bulbs to more [energy efficient bulbs](#). Because of the initial expense, we recommend changing out a few at a time.
- Joy to the electric bill! When you change your holiday lights to LEDs, you can save. They use 75% less energy and last 25 times longer than traditional holiday lights (according to [U.S. News & World Report](#)).

### LITTLE COST, LITTLE EFFORT

Looking for more winter energy saving hacks? We've got your back!

- Batten down the hatches! From caulking windows to adding door snakes, there are many ways to [draft-proof your home](#).

## Dockets Opened at the PUCN in October 2022

Visit [puc.nv.gov/Dockets/Dockets/](http://puc.nv.gov/Dockets/Dockets/) to view documents filed in the dockets listed below.

Docket No.	Date Filed	Description
22-10001	10/4/2022	Joint Petition of Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada and AT&T Wholesale and Fusion Cloud Services, LLC for approval of Amendment Nos. 3 and 4 to their Interconnection Agreement pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
22-10002	10/4/2022	Joint Petition of Nevada Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Nevada and AT&T Wholesale and Lingo Telecom, LLC d/b/a Clear Choice Communications, Excel Telecommunications, VarTec Telecom and Lingo for approval of Amendment Nos. 9 and 10 to their Interconnection Agreement pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.
22-10003	10/3/2022	Registration of Megatel Netcom Corporation as a commercial mobile radio service provider.
22-10004	10/13/2022	Application of National Comtel Network Inc. to voluntarily discontinue telecommunication service conducted under Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPC") 2702 Sub 1.
22-10005	10/11/2022	Application of Oregon-Idaho Utilities, Inc. d/b/a Humboldt Telephone Company for allowance of Nevada Universal Service Fund funding for the year commencing January 1, 2023.
22-10006	10/12/2022	Registration of Peering Hub Inc. as a commercial mobile radio service provider.
22-10007	10/19/2022	Application of Great Basin Water Co., Pahrump Division, for approval of the reconciliation of system improvement rate collections and recommendation for a one-time flat refund to its water and sewer customers.
22-10008	10/17/2022	JESR, LLC. vs. Sierra Pacific Power Company d/b/a NV Energy ("NV Energy"). Complaint regarding the applicability of Rule 9 and previous damaged facilities as well as NV Energy's responsibility to maintain the integrity of its electrical equipment.
22-10009	10/12/2022	Notice by Crown Castle Fiber LLC of a bond rider.
22-10010	10/18/2022	Notice by Loneer USA Corporation, under the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act, of an application to a federal agency for approval to construct the Rhyolite Ridge Project consisting of a mining facility which will include a 35-40 MW electric generating facility using heat and steam mining byproducts to be located in Esmeralda County, Nevada.
22-10011	10/19/2022	David Beaubien vs. Nevada Power Company d/b/a NV Energy. Complaint regarding a billing dispute.
22-10012	10/19/2022	Joint Petition of the Regulatory Operations Staff and Sierra Nevada Excavation LLC ("SNE") requesting the Commission accept a stipulation regarding violations of Nevada's One Call Law by SNE.
22-10013	10/20/2022	Notice by GridLiance West LLC, under the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act, of an application to a federal agency for approval to construct the Pahrump to Innovation Transmission Line Upgrade Project consisting of the upgrade of approximately 34 miles of existing 230 kV transmission line, the upgrade or expansion of the Pahrump and Innovation substations, and associated facilities to be located in Nye County.
22-10014	10/20/2022	Application of Clark County for authority to construct a grade-separated crossing over the Union Pacific Railroad tracks at Jones Boulevard located in Las Vegas, Nevada.
22-10015	10/24/2022	Notice by EDF Renewables Development, Inc., under the provisions of the Utility Environmental Protection Act, of an application to a federal agency for approval to construct an 0.8 to 1.8-mile long 230 kV generation-tie line to connect the Seabiscuit Energy Storage Project with the Equestrian Substation to be located in Clark County.