Para más información en cómo este cambio impactará su factura, llame al 1-800-808-2837.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF BEAR VALLEY ELECTRIC SERVICE, INC. FOR APPROVAL TO ACQUIRE, OWN, AND OPERATE THE BEAR VALLEY BATTERY STORAGE AND SOLAR ENERGY PROJECTS (APPLICATION 24-05-020)

Why am I receiving this Notice?

On May 17, 2024, Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. (BVES), filed an application with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requesting approval to acquire, own, and operate the Storage System (Battery Project) and the Bear Valley Solar Energy Project (Solar Project) (collectively "Projects") and authorize a rate increase for the Projects' capital investment and operating expenses.

How could this affect my electric rates?

BVES is requesting to increase its previously approved revenue by approximately \$4.33 million for the Projects. If approved, BVES will recoup the costs in rates once construction is completed, the Projects are put into service, and for the next 30 years after that. Construction is expected to be completed July 1, 2026. This will impact your monthly bill.

BVES Proposed Rates Increase

		CUSTOMER CLASS									
YEARS	Rate Increase	Residential Bill Impact		Residential - Low Income Bill Impact		Non-Perm Residential Bill Impact		Commercial Bill Impact		Street light Bill Impact	
Years 1-5	\$0.010	\$3.88	3.43%	\$3.38	4.09%	\$2.70	2.59%	\$18.98	2.79%	\$43.54	1.79%
Years 6-10	\$0.008	\$3.12	2.76%	\$2.71	3.28%	\$2.22	2.13%	\$15.31	2.25%	\$35.29	1.45%
Years 11-15	\$0.006	\$2.17	1.92%	\$1.88	2.28%	\$1.54	1.48%	\$10.64	1.56%	\$24.52	1.01%
Years 16-20	\$0.003	\$1.26	1.12%	\$1.10	1.33%	\$0.90	0.86%	\$6.20	0.91%	\$14.28	0.59%
Total Average	\$0.007	\$2.58	2.28%	\$2.24	2.71%	\$1.83	1.76%	\$12.64	1.86%	\$29.14	1.20%

What is BVES requesting in this application?

These Projects will help BVES and California transition to carbon-free resources as envisioned by Senate Bill (SB) 100. In turn, to better ensure BVES meets its Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS), greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction requirements, and long-term local area reliability needs, BVES seeks:

- Approval to own and operate the Projects.
- Approval to enter into engineering, procurement, and construction agreements with Électricité de France (EDF) Renewables Distributed Solutions for the development of the Projects.
- Establish a maximum cost for the Projects' construction and initial operation that is reasonable and prudent.
- Authorize BVES to increase its previously approved revenue to include the annual and incremental costs associated with the Projects' operation.

• Authorize BVES to file a Tier 1 Advice Letter within 30 days of the completion of the Projects' construction to initiate recovery of its investment in the construction costs of the Projects.

How does the rest of this process work?

This application will be assigned to a CPUC Administrative Law Judge who will consider BVES' proposal and evidence presented during the formal hearing process. The Administrative Law Judge will issue a proposed decision that may adopt BVES' application, modify it, or deny it. Any CPUC Commissioner may sponsor an alternate decision with a different outcome. The proposed decision, and any alternate decisions, will be discussed and voted upon by the CPUC Commissioners at a public CPUC Voting Meeting.

Parties to the proceeding may review BVES' application, including the Public Advocates Office. The Public Advocates Office is an independent consumer advocate within the CPUC that represents customers to obtain the lowest possible rate for service consistent with reliable and safe service levels. For more information, please call **1-415-703-1584**, email PublicAdvocatesOffice@cpuc.ca.gov, or visit PublicAdvocates.cpuc.ca.gov.

Where can I get more information?

For questions regarding BVES' application, they can be contacted at:

Contact BVES

Phone: 1-800-808-2837

1-877-933-9533 (toll-free) TTY

Email: RegulatoryAffairs@bvesinc.com

Mail: Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. Attention: Alicia Menchaca 630 E Foothill Blvd San Dimas, CA 91773

A copy of the application and related documents may also be reviewed at www.bvesinc.com/customer-service/rates-regulations/cpuc-applications

Contact the CPUC

Please visit <u>apps.cpuc.ca.gov/c/A2405020</u> to submit a comment about this proceeding on the CPUC Docket Card. Here you can also view documents and other public comments related to this proceeding. Your participation by providing your thoughts on BVES' request can help the CPUC make an informed decision.

If you have questions about CPUC processes, you may contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at:

Email: Public.Advisor@cpuc.ca.gov

Phone: 1-866-849-8390 (toll-free) or 1-415-703-2074

Mail: CPUC Public Advisor's Office

505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Please refer to **BVES' Projects' Application A.24-05-020** in any communications with the CPUC regarding this matter.