

BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW)
MEXICO FOR PRIOR APPROVAL OF)
THE ADVANCED METERING)
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT,)
DETERMINATION OF RATEMAKING)
PRINCIPLES AND TREATMENT, AND)
ISSUANCE OF RELATED ACCOUNTING)
ORDERS)
)
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF NEW)
MEXICO,)
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Applicant)
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Case No. 15-00312-UT

FINAL ORDER

THIS MATTER comes before the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (“Commission” or “NMPRC”) on the March 19, 2018 Recommended Decision issued by Hearing Examiner Ashley Schannauer on Public Service Company of New Mexico’s (“PNM”) February 26, 2016 **APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT** (“Application”).

The Commission, having considered the Application, and being otherwise duly informed,

FINDS:

- 1) The Commission has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this case.
- 2) Reasonable, proper and adequate notice of this case has been given
- 3) The statement of the case, discussion, and all findings and conclusions contained in the Recommended Decision should be adopted and incorporated by reference as findings of fact and conclusions of law of the Commission.

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4) The Commission should not exercise its discretionary authority to approve PNM's Application. The plan presented in the Application does not provide a net public benefit and it does not promote the public interest.

5) Advice Notice No. 522 should be disapproved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

A. The statement of the case, discussion, and all findings and conclusions contained in the Recommended Decision are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as findings of fact and conclusions of law and order of the Commission

B. PNM's Application is disapproved.

C. Consistent with PNM's statement in its Statement on Exceptions that it will continue to evaluate implementation and AMI technology, PNM should include in its next Energy Efficiency Plan application a proposal on the inclusion of an AMI pilot project.

D. Advice Notice No. 522 is disapproved.

E. Copies of the Commission's Final Order shall be sent to all persons on the attached Certificate of Service.

F. This Docket is closed.

ISSUED at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 11th day of April, 2018.

NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION



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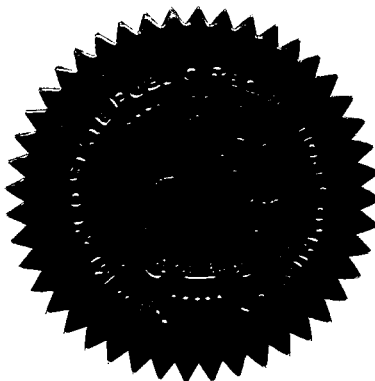
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing **Final Order** issued by the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission on April 11, 2018, was sent via email on April 11, 2018 to the individuals listed below:

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