#### BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT APPLICATION	)
FOR APPROVAL TO ACQUIRE NEW MEXICO GAS	)
COMPANY, INC. BY SATURN UTILITIES HOLDCO,	) Docket No. 24-00266-UT
LLC	)
	)

#### ORDER SCHEDULING PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING

**THIS MATTER** comes before the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission ("Commission") upon its own motion. The Commission schedules a public comment hearing in this matter to be held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the NM 811 Building, located at 1021 Eubank Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112.

#### THE COMMISSION FINDS AND CONCLUDES:

- 1. The procedural rules of the Commission permit the public to provide oral statements for the record.<sup>1</sup>
- 2. The procedural rules further require that "reasonable notice shall be given to all parties of the time and place of every public hearing scheduled by the commission or presiding officer."<sup>2</sup>
  - 3. Finally, the Commission's procedural rules provide that,

The commission or presiding officer may require that public notice also be given. When public notice is required, it shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the area affected by the filed pleadings at least twenty (20) days prior to the date of the public hearing, unless otherwise provided by rule, or if the commission or presiding officer finds that circumstances warrant shorter notice. The party who is required to publish notice shall cause to be filed, on or before the date of public hearing, an affidavit of publication of a responsible officer of the newspaper making such publication. The party required by the commission or presiding officer to publish the notice shall bear the cost of such publication.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1.2.2.23(F) NMAC; 1.2.2.32(A)(2) NMAC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 1.2.2.24(C) NMAC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id*.

4. The Commission finds that a public comment hearing on this matter should be held

on October 28, 2025, and that New Mexico Gas Company should be required to provide public

notice of the public comment hearing under Rule 1.2.2.24(C) NMAC.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

A. A public comment hearing shall be held on October 28, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 7:00

PM, at the NM 811 Building, located at 1021 Eubank Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112. The

duration of the public comment hearing may be extended at the Commission's discretion.

B. New Mexico Gas Company shall, by October 8, 2025, at its sole expense, cause

notice of the October 28, 2025 public comment hearing, in the form of this Order, to be published

once in newspapers of general circulation sufficient for availability in every county where New

Mexico Gas Company provides service, to be emailed to New Mexico Gas Company's customers,

to be posted on New Mexico Gas Company's social media accounts, and to be posted on New

Mexico Gas Company's website. Publication in newspapers of general circulation shall be no

smaller than a one-half-page advertisement space.

C. Any interested persons who are not affiliated with a party in this Docket may make

oral comment in person, via the Zoom app, or by telephone. Persons making oral public comment

in person do not need to sign up in advance but do need to sign in by hand on the sign-up sheet at

the NM 811 Building, located at 1021 Eubank Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112.

D. To sign up for public comment via telephone and/or Zoom, and to receive the call-

in number and/or Zoom invite, please contact Patrick Rodriguez via email at

public.comment@prc.nm.gov or by phone at (505) 490-7910. The Commission requests, but does

not require, your registration the day before the public comment hearing. You will receive the call-

in number and Zoom invitation to join the public comment hearing by separate e-mail before the

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hearing. Please let Mr. Rodriguez know if your Zoom username is different than the name you

supply to register. If you do not know whether your Zoom username is different than your actual

name, take steps now to figure this out before you contact Mr. Rodriguez. If you intend to appear

at the public comment hearing by telephone, please provide Mr. Rodriguez with your telephone

number so that he may correlate that number to your name. That e-mail will have the subject name

"Docket No. 24-00266-UT, In the Matter of the Joint Application for Approval to Acquire New

Mexico Gas Company, Inc. by Saturn Utilities Holdco, LLC." Mr. Rodriguez shall function as

meeting host. If, on the day of the hearing, you have difficulties connecting with Zoom or have

audio/video problems, you may participate by phone. You shall, however, contact Mr. Rodriguez

to inform him that you will be participating by phone. The public comment hearing shall be

transcribed for the record, and participants should make sure that their microphones function

properly so that the court reporter can hear you. The public comment hearing shall commence with

an introduction. After that, each commenter shall be called by name, in the order of registration.

After that time, the commenter shall exit the Zoom meeting, or the host shall remove you. These

controls are imposed to ensure that the public comment hearing is conducted efficiently and to

prevent purposefully disruptive activity. If you wish to view comments, you can view the public

comment hearing on the Commission's YouTube channel at https://www.nm-prc.org/public-

hearings/. If you are new to the Zoom platform, you can view the basics of how to use the platform

at https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/p/zoom-meetings-guide.

E. The public comment hearing shall be livestreamed on YouTube.

F. Oral comments shall be limited to 3 minutes but may be shortened or extended at

the discretion of the Commission.

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G. Public comment by parties to this proceeding will not be permitted where the

comment concerns matters at issue.

H. Interested persons who are not affiliated with a party in this Docket may

additionally file written comments as allowed by Rule 1.2.2.23(F) NMAC.

I. Any interested person may examine New Mexico Gas Company's application and

supporting documents and other documents filed in the public record of this Docket No. 24-00266-

UT on the Commission's website, https://edocket.nmprc.state.nm.us, or at the offices of New

Mexico Gas Company at the following address:

7120 Wyoming Blvd NE, Suite 20, Albuquerque, NM 87109

J. The Commission shall serve a copy of this Order upon all persons listed on the

attached Certificate of Service via e-mail if their e-mail addresses are known, and otherwise, via

regular mail.

K. This Order is effective immediately.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

ANY PERSON WITH A DISABILITY REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE ADMINSTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION OF THE COMMISSION AT (505) 827-8019 TO REQUEST SUCH ASSISTANCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE

HEARING.

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SIGNED under the Seal of the Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this  $23^{\rm rd}$  day of September, 2025.

### NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION

/s/ Greg Nibert, electronically signed
GREG NIBERT, COMMISSIONER



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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I CERTIFY that on this date I sent via email a true and correct copy of the foregoing *Order Scheduling Public Comment Hearing* to the parties listed here.

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