



ADVICE LETTER SUMMARY

ENERGY UTILITY



MUST BE COMPLETED BY UTILITY (Attach additional pages as needed)

Company name/CPUC Utility No.: Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc (913-E)

Utility type:

☒ ELC ☐ GAS ☐ WATER
☐ PLC ☐ HEAT

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EXPLANATION OF UTILITY TYPE

ELC = Electric GAS = Gas WATER = Water
PLC = Pipeline HEAT = Heat

(Date Submitted / Received Stamp by CPUC)

Advice Letter (AL) #: 528-E

Tier Designation: 1

Subject of AL: New Housing Construction Service Connection Information for Rules 15 and 16 in Compliance with Senate Bill 1210

Keywords (choose from CPUC listing): Compliance, Tariffs

AL Type: ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Annual ☒ One-Time ☐ Other:

If AL submitted in compliance with a Commission order, indicate relevant Decision/Resolution #:

Does AL replace a withdrawn or rejected AL? If so, identify the prior AL: No

Summarize differences between the AL and the prior withdrawn or rejected AL:

Confidential treatment requested? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, specification of confidential information:

Confidential information will be made available to appropriate parties who execute a nondisclosure agreement. Name and contact information to request nondisclosure agreement/ access to confidential information:

Resolution required? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Requested effective date: 1/1/26

No. of tariff sheets: N/A

Estimated system annual revenue effect (%):

Estimated system average rate effect (%):

When rates are affected by AL, include attachment in AL showing average rate effects on customer classes (residential, small commercial, large C/I, agricultural, lighting).

Tariff schedules affected: N/A

Service affected and changes proposed¹: N/A

Pending advice letters that revise the same tariff sheets:

¹Discuss in AL if more space is needed.

Protests and all other correspondence regarding this AL are due no later than 20 days after the date of this submittal, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission, and shall be sent to:

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November 3, 2025

Advice Letter No. 528-E

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California Public Utilities Commission

Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. ("BVES") hereby transmits for filing the following:

SUBJECT: New Housing Construction Service Connection Information for Rules 15 and 16 in Compliance with Senate Bill 1210

PURPOSE

Senate Bill ("SB") 1210, signed into law on September 27, 2024, requires each utility to include additional information on their website to allow new housing construction applicants to view the schedule of estimated fees and the estimated timeframes for completing typical service connections needed for each housing development type. The bill was added to Division 4.1 of the Public Utilities Code and reads:

*CHAPTER 9. Electrical, Gas, Sewer, and Water Service for New Housing Construction
8400. As used in this chapter, "utility" means any of the following that furnish electrical, gas, water, or sewer service, or any combination thereof, where the service is performed for, or the commodity is delivered to, the public or any portion thereof:*

(a) An electrical corporation, as defined in Section 218.

8401. (a) On or before January 1, 2026, for new housing construction, each utility shall publicly post both of the following on its internet website:

(1) A schedule of estimated fees for typical service connections for each housing development type, including, but not limited to, accessory dwelling unit, multifamily, mixed-use, and single-family developments. This paragraph does not apply to a utility that continues to post a schedule of their fees with this information pursuant to Section 65940.1 of the Government Code.

(2) The estimated timeframes for completing typical service connections needed for each housing development type, including, but not limited to, accessory dwelling unit, mixed-use, multifamily, and single-family developments.

(b) (1) This section does not apply to a utility with fewer than 4,000 service connections that does not establish or maintain an internet website due to a hardship.

(2) The utility may establish that a hardship exists by annually adopting a resolution that includes detailed findings based on evidence that is publicly noticed before the meeting and included in the meeting agenda that supports the determination that a hardship prevents the utility from establishing or maintaining an internet website. The findings may include, but shall not be limited to, inadequate access to broadband communications network facilities that enable high-speed internet access, significantly limited financial resources, or insufficient staff resources.

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code.

COMPLIANCE

BVES plans to implement SB 1210 bill requirements by adding additional information regarding the estimated fees and timeframes associated with new service connections to its website by January 1, 2026. A draft of the information that BVES will be providing on its website is attached to this advice letter as Attachment A. This information-only advice letter is being filed by November 3, 2025, in compliance with the request made by Energy Division on October 6, 2025, via email.

TIER DESIGNATION

This advice letter is submitted with a Tier 1 designation.

EFFECTIVE DATE

BVES respectfully requests this advice letter become effective January 1, 2026.

NOTICE AND PROTESTS

A protest is a document objecting to the granting in whole or in part of the authority sought in this advice letter. A response is a document that does not object to the authority sought, but nevertheless presents information that the party tendering the response believes would be useful to the Commission in acting on the request.

A protest must be mailed within 20 days of the date the Commission accepts the advice letter for submission. The Calendar is available on the Commission's website at www.cpuc.ca.gov.

A protest must state the facts constituting the grounds for the protest, the effect that approval of the advice letter might have on the protestant, and the reasons the protestant believes the advice letter, or a part of it, is not justified. If the protest requests an evidentiary hearing, the protest must state the facts the protestant would present at an evidentiary hearing to support its request for whole or partial denial of the advice letter.

The utility must respond to a protest within five days.

All protests and responses should be sent to:

California Public Utilities Commission, Energy Division
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102
E-mail: EDTariffUnit@cpuc.ca.gov

The protest or correspondence should also be sent via U.S. mail and/or electronically, if possible, to BVES at the addresses shown below on the same date it is delivered to the Commission.

Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc.
Regulatory Affairs
E-mail: RegulatoryAffairs@bvesinc.com

If you have not received a reply to your protest within 10 business days, please contact Alicia Menchaca at (909) 630-5555.

Correspondence:

Any correspondence regarding this compliance filing should be sent by regular mail or e-mail to the attention of:

Regulatory Affairs
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San Dimas, California 91773
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The protest shall set forth the grounds upon which it is based and shall be submitted expeditiously. There is no restriction on who may file a protest.

Sincerely,

/s/ Alicia Menchaca

Alicia Menchaca

Rate Analyst, Regulatory Affairs
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cc: Jenny Au, Energy Division
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BVES General Order 96-B Service List

ATTACHMENT

New Construction Service Connection Schedule and Fees

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Preliminary Service Request Process:

A Preliminary Service Request (PSR) must be submitted to Bear Valley Electric Service, Incorporated (BVES, Inc.) for New Construction & Services, Panel Upgrades & Relocations, Temporary Service, and Solar Installations.

Allow 3 to 6 weeks for Engineering to review any and all documents/plans pertaining to new construction, work orders and/or design. The review process will be delayed if all required documents are not received. If designs are required, please allow up to a minimum of 4 weeks additional for the Engineer to complete.

Visit the Construction page on BVES, Inc.'s website for BVES, Inc. specifications and standards.

New Construction Requirements:

- Set of approved building plans
- A bona-fide load schedule, preferably on building plans
- A copy of the approved construction permit
- A Cutsheet of the panel and or Switchgear to be utilized in the construction
- Construction schedule and equipment lead-time
- Must be received by BVES, Inc. Engineering prior to Final (permanent service)

New Housing Development Electric Service Connection Fees:

All prices are approximate and may be adjusted depending on labor costs, electrical requirements, or other specific needs such as permitting. Estimated cost will be confirmed by the assigned planner of a given project. Upon project completion, the assigned planner will review final project cost and determine if a customer owes an additional balance or provide a refund amount to be returned to the customer.

Services in unusual locations or in newly developed areas may require an extension of distribution infrastructure in addition to installing new service wire. Examples include erecting additional poles or setting a new transformer for a customer. Please refer to Rule 15 for additional information. Pricing for these services may be included in the connection schedule in accordance with Rule 16, and may result in variance from the estimates below.

- Services <100 feet from existing distribution infrastructure: \$0
- Overhead Services 100-200 feet from existing distribution infrastructure: \$253
- Underground Services 100-200 feet from existing distribution infrastructure: \$1,002
- Services requiring a dedicated pole set: \$5,921

New Construction Service Connection Schedule and Fees

- Services requiring a dedicated transformer: \$10,172

For a customer requesting service significantly outside BVES, Inc. distribution lines but within the service area, pricing may vary significantly or require additional contracted terms. Exact requirements will be discussed depending on specifics requested and may have unique requirements.

New Electric Service Interconnection Timeline:

Prior to the scheduling of interconnection to the BVES, Inc. electrical distribution system, the following conditions must be met:

- Any or all charges must be pre-paid by the Applicant to BVES
- Electrical service release must be approved by appropriate government agency
- Timelines will not start until customer electrical equipment panel/switchgear installation meets BVES inspection standards

Upon completion of above requirements, BVES, Inc. will schedule an interconnection as soon as possible but could take up to 1 – 3 weeks due to weather and/or other limitations. If projects need long lead-time equipment, materials, and/or require permitting, interconnection may be delayed subject to factors outside of BVES, Inc. control.

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