

PUBLIC NOTICE

**HOLY CROSS ENERGY
MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

PURPA 111(d) STANDARDS CONSIDERATION

**First Floor Conference Room
3799 Highway 82, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602**

(To register to attend virtually, please visit <https://www.holycross.com/agenda-and-minutes/>)

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023
1:00 p.m.**

1. Roll Call
2. Adjourn Previous Board Meeting
3. Staff Presentation on Demand Response and EV Programs (Information)
4. Public Comment
5. New Business
 - a. PURPA 111(d) Standards Consideration (Action)
6. Continuation of Board Meeting

Dave Munk
Board Chair

Background

PURPA 111(d) Standards Consideration

The Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) was enacted in 1978 to encourage conservation, efficiency in the use of electric utility facilities and resources, and equitable rates for electric consumers. PURPA identifies a number of standards that certain electric utilities must consider and determine if it is appropriate to implement such standards. These standards are enumerated in PURPA Section 111(d).

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 created two new Federal standards related to promotion of demand-response and electric vehicle adoption. The two standards are shown below for convenience and the entire statute is codified at 16 U.S.C. Ch. 46, Section 2621(d).

(20) DEMAND-RESPONSE PRACTICES

(A) In general

Each electric utility shall promote the use of demand-response and demand flexibility practices by commercial, residential, and industrial consumers to reduce electricity consumption during periods of unusually high demand.

(B) Rate recovery

(i) In general

Each State regulatory authority shall consider establishing rate mechanisms allowing an electric utility with respect to which the State regulatory authority has ratemaking authority to timely recover the costs of promoting demand-response and demand flexibility practices in accordance with subparagraph (A).

(ii) Nonregulated electric utilities

A nonregulated electric utility may establish rate mechanisms for the timely recovery of the costs of promoting demand-response and demand flexibility practices in accordance with subparagraph (A).

(21) ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAMS

Each State shall consider measures to promote greater electrification of the transportation sector, including the establishment of rates that—

(A) promote affordable and equitable electric vehicle charging options for residential, commercial, and public electric vehicle charging infrastructure;

(B) improve the customer experience associated with electric vehicle charging, including by reducing charging times for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicles;

(C) accelerate third-party investment in electric vehicle charging for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty vehicles; and

(D) appropriately recover the marginal costs of delivering electricity to electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

HCE's demand response programs include:

- Peak Time Payback (PTP), where members can receive bill credits in exchange for voluntarily reducing their electricity consumption during times of high system consumption;
- Time of Day Rates, where members can voluntarily sign up for an electric rate option that charges less for electricity consumed in "off-peak" hours compared to "on-peak" hours (4-9 pm daily); and
- Power+, where members can earn a monthly Distribution Flexibility credit in exchange for allowing HCE to utilize their battery energy storage system for demand response, within certain limits

HCE's electric vehicle programs include:

- Charge at Home, which provides residential members up to two free Level 2 EV chargers per member, with installation costs paid directly by the member or spread over 3 years on the members' HCE electric bill;
- Charge at Work, which provides commercial members up to four free Level 2 EV chargers per member, with installation costs paid directly by the member or spread over 3 years on the members' HCE electric bill; and
- Community Charging, which provides limited in-kind support for installation of DC Fast Chargers by local community partners who receive State or Federal funding for EV charging, or who pay for the charger directly.

HCE members are invited to submit comments and any related materials on the standards being considered. Any comments must include the member's name, address, phone number and e-mail address, and be delivered to purpa@holycross.com or

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no later than June 16, 2023. All comments will be posted to HCE's website and included in the consideration process.

A public hearing will be convened at 1 p.m. June 19, 2023, at HCE's Glenwood Springs offices to give interested parties an opportunity to provide oral comment on the standards or any previously submitted written comment. Interested members must notify HCE in writing or via electronic mail on or before June 16, 2023, that they wish to participate.

Questions about this notice, the process, or the PURPA standards may be directed to Jenna Weatherred, HCE's Vice President – Member and Community Relations, by email at jweatherred@holycross.com.

HOLY CROSS ENERGY

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Holy Cross Energy ("Holy Cross") regular monthly meetings of the Board of Directors ("Board") are held at 9:00 a.m. on the third Wednesday of each calendar month at Holy Cross's headquarters facility at 3799 Highway 82, Garfield County, Colorado, unless a different date, time and place is set by resolution of the Board. The meeting, location, date, and time is posted at each Holy Cross service office location and on Holy Cross's website, www.holycross.com.

Holy Cross's Board meetings are open to the public and any member of Holy Cross or the general public is welcome to attend and observe. Members of Holy Cross and any other persons are given an opportunity to address the Board with the following guidelines:

1. A "Public Comment" agenda item will be at the beginning of each meeting. The Board normally has a full agenda and asks that any speaker's comments and presentations be brief. The Chair or presiding officer shall have the right to limit comments as necessary. The public comment period is limited to approximately 10 minutes.
2. Any person addressing the Board on an agenda item requiring Board action may do so if and when the Chair or presiding officer calls for public comment. Any speaker will be limited to three minutes, unless the Chair or presiding officer decides differently.
3. Each person wishing to address the Board shall first be introduced along with the person's address. If the person needs to use Holy Cross's audio/visual/computer equipment or plans to provide their own equipment, arrangements need to be made three business days prior to the Board Meeting. Any person desiring to distribute information to the Board at any Board Meeting shall provide the presentation or information in writing to staff of Holy Cross for distribution to all Directors of the Board prior to the meeting.
4. The Board breaks for lunch at approximately noon and reconvenes about 45 minutes after the noon break. Members of the public attending the meeting need to plan accordingly and provide their own meal.

Holy Cross is a member-owned cooperative committed to providing affordable, reliable, and safe electric service to all members. Holy Cross values member input on how the Board can guide Holy Cross in accomplishing these goals.

(HCE Corporate Policy 4.3, adopted October 16, 2019)