

4901:5-19-04

Actions in anticipation of an imminent energy emergency.

(A) In anticipation of an imminent energy emergency, the commission may consult with the appropriate independent system operator or regional transmission organization. At such time, the commission may, by order, require that each regulated electric provider:

(1) Notify its consumers through reports in the news media, or written notice where appropriate, or, for electric providers who serve fewer than five thousand customers, provide telephonic or electronic notice to each of its customers, about an imminent shortage of electric service and request its consumers to reduce their consumption of electricity and to implement energy conservation measures. These measures shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

(a) Curtailing outdoor lighting, except for essential safety and security purposes.

(b) Reducing water heating temperatures.

(c) Adjusting temperatures for buildings, factories, and transportation facilities.

(2) Issue periodic reports to notify consumers about the following:

(a) Electric supply levels.

(b) Plans and procedures for transfers, restrictions, curtailments, and reallocations pursuant to its curtailment plan or commission order.

(c) Projected or actual dates when consumers or classes of consumers would be subject to curtailment, reallocation, or restriction.

(3) Implement measures that include:

(a) Fulfilling electric requirements for priority use by its consumers.

(b) Reallocating and/or curtailing supplies among its consumers. Each electric provider that curtails deliveries to consumers that purchase power on an interruptible basis shall curtail electric deliveries pursuant to its curtailment plan and voluntary arrangements with individual consumers. Each electric provider shall, to the extent reasonably feasible, monitor consumer compliance with its curtailments and shall report the level of compliance to the commission, as requested.

(B) Nothing in this rule shall preclude the electric provider, after notification to the commission, from initiating its curtailment plans prior to commission directive, in order to meet operational needs.

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