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January 27, 2022

Ms. Trisha Osborne
Assistant Commission Secretary
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
1150 East William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109

Re: Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental Protection Act of an Application to a Federal Agency by Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC to Construct the Chill Sun Solar Project, a Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility, a Battery Energy Storage System, a 525 kV Generation Tie Line and Ancillary Facilities

Dear Ms. Osborne:

Enclosed for filing please find the Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental Protection Act of an Application to a Federal Agency by Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC to Construct the Chill Sun Solar Project, a Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility, a Battery Energy Storage System, a 525 kV Generation Tie Line and Ancillary Facilities.

If you have any questions about this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (702) 279-4040.

Best Regards,
/s/ Linda M. Bullen
Linda M. Bullen
Attorney for Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

IN THE MATTER OF:
Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental
Protection Act of an Application to a Federal
Agency by Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC to
Construct the Chill Sun Solar Project, a
Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating
Facility, a Battery Energy Storage System, a
525 kV Generation Tie Line and Ancillary
Facilities

Docket No. 22- _____

**NOTICE PURSUANT TO THE UTILITY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT OF
AN APPLICATION TO A FEDERAL AGENCY BY NATURGY CANDELA DEVCO,
LLC TO CONSTRUCT THE CHILL SUN SOLAR PROJECT, A PHOTOVOLTAIC
SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY, A BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE
SYSTEM, A 525 KV GENERATION TIE LINE AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES**

I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Nevada Utility Environmental Protection Act (“UEPA”), Nevada Revised Statutes (“NRS”) Sections 704.820 to 704.900 and Sections 703.415 to 703.427 of the Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”), Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC (“Naturgy”) hereby files a Notice with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (the “Commission”) that Naturgy is filing, contemporaneous with this Notice, an application with a federal agency to allow it to construct the Chill Sun Solar Project, an up to 2,250 megawatt alternating current (“MW/ac”) photovoltaic solar electric generating facility, with a 525 kilovolt (“kV”) generation tie (“gen tie”) line, a battery energy storage system (“BESS”) and ancillary facilities.

All correspondence related to this Notice should be sent to the undersigned counsel:

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The Project falls within the definition of a “utility facility” pursuant to NRS 704.860.1 because it is a renewable energy electric generating facility of 70 MW or greater. Because the Project is located on federal land administered by the Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”), the

1 BLM is required to conduct an environmental analysis of the Project pursuant to the National
2 Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”), 42 U.S.C. §4321. Accordingly, this Notice is being filed
3 pursuant to NRS 704.870(2)(a) and NAC 703.421. No later than 30 days after the issuance of the
4 final federal environmental document, Naturgy will file a UEPA Application with the Commission
5 pursuant to NRS 704.870(2)(b) that contains the federal environmental document. Upon
6 submission of the Application and supporting documents, Naturgy will seek one or more Permits
7 to Construct (“PTCs”) the Project from the Commission.

8 II. INFORMATION REQUIRED

9 1. The name, address and telephone number of the person who is filing the application 10 with the appropriate federal agency (NAC 703.421.1).

11 Brian Kunz and Nik Novograd
12 Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC
13 500 Sansome Street, Suite 500
San Francisco, CA 94111
415-317-3481

14 2. The date on which the application was filed with the appropriate federal agency (NAC 15 703.421.2).

16 The SF 299 for the Project is being filed contemporaneously with this Notice, on January
17 28, 2022.

18 3. A general description of the location of the proposed utility facility (NAC 703.421.3).

19 The Project is located on BLM-managed land approximately 14 miles north of the town of
20 Beatty in Nye County, Nevada.

21 4. A general description of the proposed utility facility (NAC 703.421.4).

22 The Project is an up to 2,250 MW solar photovoltaic project a battery energy storage system
23 and a 525 kV generation tie line and ancillary facilities including access roads, an on-site
24 substation, an operation and maintenance facility which will be located within a study area of
25 approximately 26,300 acres of BLM-managed land.
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27 5. Proof that a copy of the notice has been submitted to the Nevada State Clearinghouse 28 within the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (NAC 703.421.5).

1 A copy of this Notice has been submitted to the Regulatory Operations Staff of the
2 Commission, the Nevada Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer Protection, Nevada State
3 Clearinghouse, the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Division of
4 Environmental Protection, the Nye County Clerk and others. *See* Certificate of Service attached
5 hereto as Exhibit A.

6 **6. Draft Notice (NAC 703.1620).**

7 A copy of the draft notice pursuant to NAC 703.162 is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

8 **7. Proof of Compliance with the Nevada Department of Wildlife Energy Cost Recovery
9 Fund Program (NRS 701.600-640).**

10 Pursuant to NRS 701.610, a person who files an application with the Federal Government
11 for a lease or easement for a right-of-way for an energy development project or an application with
12 the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada or any county in this State relating to the construction
13 of an energy development project shall, concurrently with the filing of the application, file a notice
14 of the energy development project with the Nevada Department of Wildlife (“NDOW”). The
15 NDOW Application for Energy Projects Fund for the Recovery of Costs for the Project was filed
16 in January 2022, and a copy is attached to this Notice as Exhibit C.

17 **III. CONCLUSION**

18 Naturgy will submit its UEPA Application at the conclusion of the federal environmental
19 review process. At that time, it will request that the Commission issue to it one or more UEPA
20 Permits to Construct the Project pursuant to NRS 704.870(2)(b) and NAC 703.423.

21 Respectfully submitted on January 27, 2022.

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23 Linda M. Bullen

24 /s/ Linda M. Bullen

25 Bullen Law, LLC

26 Attorney for Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC
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EXHIBIT A

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

It is hereby certified that on January 27, 2022 a true and correct copy of the attached Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental Protection Act of an Application to a Federal Agency by Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC to Construct the Chill Sun Solar Project, a Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility, a Battery Energy Storage System, a 525 kV Generation Tie Line and Ancillary Facilities was served via electronic mail on the following:

Staff Counsel Support
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
1150 E. William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109
pucn.sc@pucn.nv.gov

Office of the Attorney General
Bureau of Consumer Protection
Mr. Ernest Figueroa
100 North Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-4717
bcp@ag.nv.gov

Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
Mr. Don Lomoljo, Staff Counsel
1150 E. William Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701-3109
dlomoljo@puc.nv.gov

Nye County Clerk
Sandra L. Merlino
1520 E. Basin Avenue
Pahrump, NV 89049
smerlino@co.nye.nv.us

State Clearinghouse
Division of State Lands
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 5003
Carson City, NV 89701-5246
nevadaclearinghouse@lands.nv.gov

Nevada Division of Environmental
Protection
Mr. Greg Lovato, Administrator
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249
glovato@ndep.nv.gov

Dated: January 27, 2022

/s/ Linda M. Bullen
An Employee of Bullen Law, LLC

Exhibit B

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA DRAFT NOTICE (Applications, Tariff Filings, Complaints, and Petitions)

Pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”) 703.162, the Commission requires that a draft notice be included with all applications, tariff filings, complaints and petitions. Please complete and include **ONE COPY** of this form with your filing. (Completion of this form may require the use of more than one page.)

A title that generally describes the relief requested (*see* NAC 703.160(4)(a)):

Notice Pursuant to the Utility Environmental Protection Act of an Application to a Federal Agency by Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC to Construct the Chill Sun Solar Project, a Photovoltaic Solar Electric Generating Facility, a Battery Energy Storage System, a 525 kV Generation Tie Line and Ancillary Facilities

The name of the applicant, complainant, petitioner or the name of the agent for the applicant, complainant or petitioner (*see* NAC 703.160(4)(b)):

**The applicant is Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC (“Naturgy”).
Linda M. Bullen of Bullen Law, LLC is legal counsel for the applicant.**

A brief description of the purpose of the filing or proceeding, including, without limitation, a clear and concise introductory statement that summarizes the relief requested or the type of proceeding scheduled **AND** the effect of the relief or proceeding upon consumers (*see* NAC 703.160(4)(c)).

Naturgy is filing a Notice of an Application to a Federal Agency with the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (the “Commission”) for an application to the Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) to construct an up to 2,250 MW solar photovoltaic project a battery energy storage system and a 525 kV generation tie line and ancillary facilities including access roads, an on-site substation, an operation and maintenance building located on public land under the management of the BLM approximately 14 miles north of the town of Beatty in Nye County, Nevada.

A statement indicating whether a consumer session is required to be held pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (“NRS”) 704.069(1)¹:

A consumer session is not required.

If the draft notice pertains to a tariff filing, please include the tariff number **AND** the section number(s) or schedule number(s) being revised.

The draft notice does not pertain to a tariff filing.

¹ NRS 704.069 states in pertinent part:

1. The Commission shall conduct a consumer session to solicit comments from the public in any matter pending before the Commission pursuant to NRS 704.061 to 704.110 inclusive, in which:

(a) A public utility has filed a general rate application, an application to recover the increased cost of purchased fuel, purchased power, or natural gas purchased for resale or an application to clear its deferred accounts; and

(b) The changes proposed in the application will result in an increase in annual gross operating revenue, as certified by the applicant, in an amount that will exceed \$50,000 or 10 percent of the applicant’s annual gross operating revenue, whichever is less.

Exhibit C

Application for Energy Projects
'Fund for the Recovery of Costs'



Nevada Revised Statutes 701.600-640
Nevada Administrative Code 701.800-820

Applicant:
Self
Private Company
Government Agency
Other

Project Name Chill Sun Solar Project
Applicant Naturgy Candela Devco, LLC
Mailing Address 500 Sansome Street, Suite 500
City San Francisco State CA Zip Code 94111
Name of Contact Louis DeRosa Phone 415-317-3481 Email louis.derosa@candelarenewables.com
Name of Responsible Corp. Officer/Agency Rep. James Cook Title VP, Project Development

Project Type

Solar Wind Geothermal Fossil Fuel Biomass Fuel Pipeline Power Transmission Other
Net Maximum Generation Capacity 2,250 MW Estimated Voltage (power transmission) 500 kV
Proposed Project Size (acres) 26,300 Proposed Transmission Length (miles) 1
Proposed Length of Fuel Lines/Pipelines (miles) N/A

Other Infrastructure (e.g., evaporation/holding ponds or tanks, recharge stations; estimated acres) Project access road, collection/transmission lines, substation, energy storage (included in project size acreage)

Proposed County Location (submit project map and shapefiles) 14 miles north of Beatty

Project Description The Chill Sun Solar Project consists of an up to 2,250 MW photovoltaic solar field, collection lines, energy storage, substation, and associated facilities.

Estimated Project Schedule/Timeline The anticipated in-service date is September 30, 2027. Construction would begin in 2025 with all permits scheduled to be completed before construction begins.

Applicant Signature [Signatures] Date 1/18/22

Enclose initial payment made out to Nevada Department of Wildlife.

- Remit \$5,000 for fuel pipelines less than 50 miles in length, power transmission projects greater than 50kV and less than 50 miles in length, or geothermal production projects.
Remit \$10,000 for fuel pipelines more than 50 miles in length, power transmission projects greater than 50kV and more than 50 miles in length, or solar, wind, fossil fuel or other energy production projects.

Submit project shapefiles (ArcGIS or GoogleEarth are acceptable) to: Jasmine Kleiber at jkleiber@ndow.org

Submit application, payment, and maps to: Nevada Department of Wildlife
Habitat Division - AB307
6980 Sierra Center Parkway, Suite 120
Reno, NV 89511 USA