PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Proposed Revision of Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter PSC 114 as Wisconsin State Electrical Code, Volume I for NESC 2023 1-AC-259

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

Hearing Date:

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 - 10:00 a.m. CT

Hearing Location:

No Physical Location

Public Participation:

The Commission shall receive comments from the public. To comment at the hearing, a member of the public may either:

- (1) Attend any physical location as noticed for this session; or
- (2) Join Zoom at: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/my/pschearings</u>
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Alternatively, a member of the public may comment in writing no later than **Tuesday**, April 2, 2024, by either:

(1) The internet at:

https://apps.psc.wi.gov/pages/publicCommentCase.htm?uti=1&case=AC&num=259; or¹

(2) U.S. Mail at:

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Any utility, organization, or interest group who submits a written comment shall file only one comment by the deadline shown above, using the Commission's ERF system. To file a comment, go to https://apps.psc.wi.gov/ERF/ERFupload/default.aspx and follow the provided instructions.







¹ As an alternative to submitting a comment directly to the Commission, state law allows anyone to file a web comment on the Legislative Rules Clearinghouse website, <u>https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/comment</u>. This site forwards the comment to the Commission.

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 (3) Livestreaming on YouTube at:

https://apps.psc.wi.gov/APPS/eventscalendar/broadcast/livebroadcast.aspx

More Information:

Documents and Schedule. To access the documents, the current schedule, and other information about this docket, go to the PSC Case Management System at: https://apps.psc.wi.gov/APPS/dockets/content/detail.aspx?id=1&case=AC&num=259

Schedule Updates. To receive email updates to the schedule, subscribe to the docket calendar at: <u>https://apps.psc.wi.gov/APPS/docketCalendar/Content/Subscribe.aspx</u>

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Contact the Case Coordinator Bert Chee, at (608) 266-3900 or Bert.Chee@wisconsin.gov

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin will hold a hearing in this docket as listed above. The presiding Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) may allot additional time to receive evidence and comments, if necessary.

The Commission will conduct the proceedings of this docket as an uncontested case.

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.136(2), the Commission is considering the promulgation of administrative rules to amend Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 114 (PSC 114), relating to the Wisconsin State Electrical Code, Volume I.

Volume I of the Wisconsin State Electrical Code (WSEC) is codified in PSC 114. PSC 114 is based on the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC). The NESC is revised and updated every five years requiring subsequent period revision of PSC 114, to adopt the latest national











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standard. The 2023 edition of the NESC was published in August 2022, and corresponding revisions of PSC 114 is necessary to implement the latest edition of the national code and make any other necessary changes to update and improve the code.

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.135(1), a statement of scope is prepared in advance of any rule that the Commission plans to promulgate. The Commission (<u>PSC REF#: 488076</u>) and Governor (<u>PSC REF#: 491811</u>) have approved the statement of scope, a copy of which was published in the Wisconsin Administrative Register on October 3, 2022 in <u>Register 817B</u>. The Commission has been directed by the co-chairperson of the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules (JCRAR) to hold a preliminary public hearing and comment period on the statement of scope in this docket. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.136(7), a preliminary public hearing and comment period on a statement of scope does not relieve the agency of its obligation to hold an agency hearing on proposed rules under Wis. Stat. § 227.16, after proposed rules are available for review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. A person may testify in this proceeding without becoming a party and without attorney representation. A person may submit this testimony in only one of the ways listed above for making a public comment.

A person shall limit a public comment to non-technical personal knowledge or personal opinion. A person may include references to other materials in a comment, but may not include, as part of a comment, any document not written or substantially modified by that person. The Commission shall only accept documents that a person offers to supplement a comment for the purpose of showing the basis of an opinion, not for proof of the matter asserted.

A person shall only make a public comment on that person's own behalf. The Commission shall receive no comment offered on behalf of another person except for a comment that: (1) demonstrates on its face that the commentor freely and knowingly agreed to another person offering the comment on their behalf and agreed to forgo the opportunity to file their own comment, and (2) comes accompanied with a sworn statement by the person offering the comment that explains the process by which the comment was solicited, processed, and retained.

Only one comment may be submitted per person during a comment period. Parties may object to the receipt of a public comment. The Commission may reject a comment that does not comply with the requirements described in this notice.

PUBLIC RECORDS. Any material submitted to the Commission is a public record and may appear on the Commission web site. For any hearing session livestreamed over YouTube, a recording will appear on the Commission's YouTube channel.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this docket or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed above. Any hearing location is accessible to persons with a physical disability. Any hearing conducted with Docket 1-AC-259

Zoom, and any livestream, conducted over YouTube, will provide: (1) the image of the face of each person speaking, and (2) closed captioning.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, the 7th day of March, 2024.

By the Commission:

Cru Stubley Secretary to the Commission

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