STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2025-00218

September 15, 2025

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
Request for Approval of Rate Case Filing

NOTICE OF PROCEEDING AND OPPORTUNITY TO INTERVENE

I. DESCRIPTION OF PROCEEDING

On July 17, 2025, in accordance with Chapter 120 of the Commission's rules, Central Maine Power Company (CMP or the Company) filed a Notice of Intent to file for an increase in its distribution rates. CMP intends to request Commission approval of a five-year rate plan, including a multi-year capital investment plan. According to the July notice, CMP estimates that it will propose distribution revenue increases in the range of (1) \$180 to \$190 million in the first year of the rate plan; (2) \$55 to \$65 million in the second year; (3) \$45 to \$55 million in the third year; (4) \$60 to \$70 million in the fourth year; and (5) \$65 to \$75 million in the fifth year. In addition, CMP indicates that it will seek an operating expense adder for a wildfire mitigation program that would increase distribution revenues in the range of: (1) \$550,000 to \$600,000 in the first year of the rate plan; (2) \$90,000 to \$115,000 in the second year; and (3) \$20,000 to \$60,000 in the remaining years of the rate plan.

The Commission expects that CMP will submit its rate case filing on or about September 16, 2025, and that CMP will propose revenue increases for each year of the multi-year plan that are more precise than the range of revenue impacts that CMP described in its July notice. Among other things, CMP expects to request a significant expansion of its electric operations workforce; anticipates seeking a cost of equity in the range of 9.80% to 10.00%; and does not expect to propose rate design changes. CMP indicates that it will seek a rate-effective date of October 1, 2026.

II. INTERVENTION

Interested persons wishing to participate as parties in this matter should file a petition to intervene in accordance with Chapter 110 § 8(B) of the Commission's Rules no later than **Monday, September 29, 2025.** Petitions should be filed electronically in the docket using the Commission's Case Management System (CMS). Objections to

¹ Anyone intervening must be a "registered user" in the Commission's CMS To register, visit: https://mpuc-

cms.maine.gov/CQM.Custom.WebUI/Registration/UserRegistrationForm.aspx. Detailed instructions for registering and using CMP are available on the Commission's website: https://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online-services/electronic-case-filing-consumer-complaint-system-documentation. When registering, persons should indicate the entity or entities they represent and on whose behalf they will make filings. Anyone interested

petitions to intervene that are filed before the initial case conference must be raised orally at that conference (scheduled below). Objections to petitions to intervene filed after the initial case conference must be filed in writing in the CMS.

III. INITIAL CASE CONFERENCE

An initial case conference in this matter is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **October 1**, **2025**, **at 10 a.m.** in the Simpson Room at the Commission. The following issues will be addressed at the initial case conference:

- 1. Oral objections to any petitions to intervene that have been filed;
- 2. Rulings on petitions to intervene;
- 3. Issues involving requests for protective orders, if any; and
- 4. Development of a case schedule

Persons unable to attend this conference in person may elect to participate virtually. Representatives of CMP and those that file petitions to intervene by September 29, 2025, will be sent Outlook invitations containing a Microsoft Teams link. (Users need not download the Teams app and can participate via their web browser.) Those unable to attend via video may participate by phone using the dial-in information that appears on the Outlook invitation.

IV. PUBLIC WITNESS HEARINGS

The Commission will hold two public witness hearings as follows:

Date	Time	Location	Form
October 14, 2025	6:00 p.m.	Hilton Garden Inn,	In-Person and
		5 Park Street,	Virtual via Microsoft
		Freeport, ME	Teams
			Videoconferencing
October 15, 2025	6:00 p.m.	Maine Public	In-Person and
		Utilities	Virtual via Microsoft
		Commission, 26	Teams
		Katherine Drive,	Videoconferencing
		Hallowell, ME	

The Commission will also provide notice of these public witness hearings through a press release and legal notice in the Portland Press Herald.

At the public witness hearings, any member of the public who is not a party to this case will have the opportunity to present testimony or comments to the Commission

in intervening should also place themselves on the notification list for this docket (if they are not already on the notification list). Registered users whose petitions to intervene are granted will receive notice of filings by email from the Commission's CMS.

concerning the issues in this proceeding. Sworn testimony, given under oath, is part of the evidentiary record of the case and the Commission can rely on it in making its final decision.

Those who would like to attend either of the public witness hearings virtually, must register in advance by contacting the Commission at PUCPublicHearing@Maine.gov or 207-287-3831 and providing an email address no later than October 10, 2025 for the October 14, 2025 hearing, and no later than October 14, 2025 for the October 15, 2025 hearing. Registrants for virtual participation will then be provided the Teams video conferencing link in advance of the public witness hearing. It is not necessary to register in advance to attend any of the public witness hearings in person.

V. SERVICE OF NOTICE

A copy of this Notice will be provided to all persons on the notification lists for Dockets Nos. 2022-00152 and 2025-00018.

Dated at Hallowell, Maine, this 15th day of September 2025.

BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINERS

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