



2026 Approved Interim Study Items

Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Interim Committee | May 20, 2026

The Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Interim Committee has approved the following list at its May meeting in accordance with legislative rule [JR7-1-401\(3\)](#).

Item	Description
GENERAL OVERVIEW OF UTILITIES	A comparison between rate structures and the governance of major energy companies and an examination of possible alignment between them, their rates, and the Energy Balancing Account.
LARGE-LOAD USERS: SCHEDULE 32 AND 34	Study appropriate actions to fix or repeal code relating to Rocky Mountain Power’s Schedule 32 and 34 in the context of 2025 S.B. 132, Electric Utility Amendments.
POTENTIAL ENERGY PRODUCERS	Engage with potential new energy producers who are looking to build in Utah, including data centers.
PROJECT FINANCING	Examine barriers and mechanisms for financing new energy projects, including the roles of service territory and the Utah Energy Council in project financing.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER’S OPERATIONS IN OTHER STATES	An update on PacifiCorp’s recent sale of its Washington service area and continued discussion on RMP’s potential separation from PacifiCorp. An update from the Office of Energy Development’s collaboration with Rocky Mountain Power on the strategic energy framework and implementation.
RURAL UTAH ENERGY ECONOMIC IMPACT	Examine the impact of new energy projects or the loss of energy projects on rural Utah’s economy.
TRANSMISSION AND GENERATION	Examine the relationship between transmission and generation development, with a focus on planning for long-term growth in the state and region without burdening Utah rate-payers, including Utah’s participation in regional energy markets.
NATURAL GAS RATE STUDY	Study the natural gas economy and recent impacts on gas rates and prices.