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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of Significant Energy Resource Decision Resulting from 2012 Request for Proposals Docket No. 05-035-47

## REQUEST TO CLOSE DOCKET AND TERMINATE 2012 RFP

Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp ("Rocky Mountain Power" or "Company"), respectfully requests that the Commission close this docket and terminate the Request for Proposals Base Load Resources ("2012 RFP") approved by the Commission on April 4, 2007 in this docket.

Following issuance of the 2012 RFP on April 5, 2007, the Company received bids, evaluated and analyzed the bids, selected a conditional final shortlist and a final shortlist. All of the foregoing was done under the supervision and with the input of Merrimack Energy Group, Inc., the Independent Evaluator ("IE") selected by the Commission. On December 3, 2008, Rocky Mountain Power filed a confidential notification with the Commission in this docket, notifying the Commission that it had selected Lake Side 2 as a resource from the 2012 RFP and stating that it would submit an application for approval of this significant energy resource decision.

Rocky Mountain Power filed its verified application ("Application") on December 3, 2008, in Docket No. 08-035-95. The Application sought (i) approval of the significant energy resource decision to construct and operate Lake Side 2 and (ii) issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the plant. The Application stated that the Company had entered into a Master Development, Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement ("Agreement") with Summit Vineyard, LLC ("Summit") and CH2M Hill E&C, Inc. ("CH2M Hill") for the construction of Lake Side 2.

On February 12, 2009, the Company filed notice of termination of the Agreement in Docket No. 08-035-95. On February 19, 2009, the Company filed a notice of withdrawal of the Application in Docket No. 08-035-95. The February 19 notice stated:

Given the dramatic global economic downturn in late 2008 and the resulting reduction of customer loads, reduction in price of commodities, potential reduction of future construction costs and other changes in economic and market conditions, the Company has determined to further explore resource alternatives. To that end, the Company delivered a formal written termination notice to each of Summit [] and CH2M Hill [] on February 11, 2009, thereby terminating the [] Agreement. Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, the termination of the Agreement became effective on February 18, 2009. Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement, the Company remains committed to securing viable, cost-effective resources to meet its forecasted needs for summer 2012.

Given the termination of the Agreement and the lack of any other resource in the 2012 RFP final shortlist, Rocky Mountain Power respectfully requests that the Commission close this docket and terminate the 2012 RFP.

In making this request, Rocky Mountain Power does not intend to foreclose the provision of any report from the IE that the Commission deems necessary. Therefore, Rocky Mountain Power respectfully suggests that the Commission close the docket after the IE has filed any final

report deemed necessary by the Commission. Rocky Mountain Power assumes this may be completed within thirty days.

DATED: February 25, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing REQUEST TO CLOSE DOCKET AND TERMINATE 2012 RFP to be served upon the following by electronic mail to the addresses shown below on February 25, 2009:

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