November 14, 2005

Public Service Commission of Utah 400 Heber M. Wells Building 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Re: Docket No. 05-035-54. Sale of PacifiCorp

Dear Commissioners:

As Mayor of Salt Lake City, I am writing to support the planned purchase of PacifiCorp by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company.

This purchase will be good for Salt Lake City and its citizens. Among the many benefits of this purchase, several stand out:

- This transaction provides PacifiCorp with long-term stability and access to the capital necessary to fund sustained investment in the electric system.
- PacifiCorp and MEHC have similar priorities—customer service, operational reliability, safety, community involvement, environmental stewardship, and renewable energy development.
- Additional environmental benefits include new wind generation and investment in emissions-reduction technology. These benefits will accrue to the City by way of:
 - PacifiCorp's goal of 1,400 megawatts of cost-effective renewable resources, including 100 megawatts of new wind energy within one year of the close of the transaction;
 - \$812 million investment over the next seven years in emissions-reduction technology for existing coal plants.

When coupled with the use of reduced emissions technology for new coal-fueled generation, these efforts would be expected to reduce the sulfur dioxide (SO_2) emissions rate by more than 50 percent, to reduce the nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions rate by more than 40 percent, to reduce the mercury emissions rate by nearly 40 percent, and to avoid an increase in the carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions rate;

- \circ Reduction in sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) emissions;
- Consideration of reduced emissions coal technologies, such as integrated gasification combined-cycle and supercritical technology.
- The purchase of PacifiCorp by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company will provide increased support for energy efficiency and demand-side management programs, through two avenues:
 - Annual collaboration between MEHC and PacifiCorp, both of which already have strong energy efficiency and DSM programs, to identify any incremental, costeffective programs;
 - \$1 million shareholder-funded system-wide study designed to further demand-side management and energy efficiency programs.

Thank you for considering my input on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Ross C. Anderson Mayor