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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

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In the Matter of the Application of Rocky)	DOCKET NO. 07-035
Mountain Power for Authority To Change)	
its Depreciation Rates Effective January 1,)	
2008)	APPLICATION
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Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §54-4-24 and Commission Rule R746-310-

7(B)(2), Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp ("Rocky Mountain Power" or the "Company"), hereby makes application to the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") for an order authorizing the Company to change depreciation rates effective January 1, 2008. The purpose of this application is to: (1) initiate a scheduling conference to establish a procedural schedule that permits all Utah interested parties an opportunity to review and comment on the Company's methodologies and assumptions as they relate to the depreciation study that the Company anticipates filing by September 1, 2007; (2) after participating in the review and comment period, the Company shall file its depreciation study with the Commission no later than September 1, 2007; and (3) the Commission, after an opportunity to conducts its own review of the depreciation study, shall issue an order on the Company's request to change its depreciation rates effective January 1, 2008.

In support of this Application, Rocky Mountain Power states as follows:

1. PacifiCorp is an electrical corporation and public utility operating in the state of Utah and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to its public utility operations. PacifiCorp has two retail electric service divisions, Rocky Mountain Power and Pacific Power. Rocky Mountain Power provides retail electric service in Utah, Idaho, and Wyoming, and Pacific Power provides retail electric service in California, Oregon, and Washington.

2. This application is filed pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §54-4-24 and

Commission Rule R746-310-7(B)(2), which authorizes the Commission to prescribe the rates of depreciation to be used by any public utility subject to its jurisdiction.

3. Communications regarding this application should be addressed to:

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In addition, Rocky Mountain Power requests that all data requests regarding this application be addressed to:

By email (preferred)	datarequest@pacificorp.com
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By facsimile

(503) 813-6060

Informal inquiries related to this application may be directed to Dave Taylor, (801) 220-2923.

4. In April 2003, the Company entered into a stipulation with the Utah

Committee of Consumer Services ("Committee") and the Utah Division of Public Utilities ("Division") concerning an application for an order authorizing a change in depreciation rates that was filed by the Company in Docket No. 02-035-12. The order approving the stipulation included the following language related to the timing of the Company's next depreciation study filing:

"PacifiCorp agreed to file a depreciation study and accompanying application with the Commission no later than five years after the Commission's final order in this Docket."

5. The Commission issued its order on July 8, 2003. Accordingly, the Company is required to file its depreciation study no later than July 8, 2008.

6. The filing of this application is intended to give the Commission and all other Utah interested parties an opportunity to review and comment on the methodologies and assumptions that will be included in the Company's depreciation study, prior to the Company actually filing its depreciation study with the Commission. After the Company evaluates the comments it receives from the interested parties, the Company anticipates filing its depreciation study, as well as any necessary supporting summaries, assumptions, and testimony with the Commission no later than September 1, 2007.

7. The depreciation study will be based upon December 31, 2006 plant balances.

8. Rocky Mountain Power is not requesting, as part of this filing, that new depreciation rates approved in this docket be reflected in tariff prices at this time. Rather, the Company will request approval to include the impacts of the depreciation study in Utah electric rates as part of its next general rate case filing. WHEREFORE, Rocky Mountain Power respectfully requests an order of the Commission as follows:

1. Notice of a scheduling conference and subsequent scheduling order wherein the Commission will establish a procedural schedule that provides all Utah interested parties an opportunity to review and comment on the Company's depreciation methodologies and assumptions.

2. The Company's recommendations regarding depreciation rates are the proper and adequate depreciation rates for the Company;

3. The Company shall implement a change in depreciation rates as requested herein effective January 1, 2008; and

4. The Company's recommended depreciation rates should be incorporated into Utah electric rates in the next Rocky Mountain Power general rate case.

DATED this _____ day of March, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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