BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

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In The Mater Of The Application Of Rocky	§	
Mountain Power For Authority To Increase Its	§	
Retail Electric Utility Service Rates In Utah And	§	
For Approval Of Its Proposed Electric Service	§	Docket No. 07-035-93
Schedules And Electric Service Regulations,	§	
Consisting Of A General Rate Increase Of	§	
Approximately \$161.2 Million Per Year, And	§	
For Approval Of A New Large Load Surcharge	§	
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PETITION TO INTERVENE OF AARP

Pursuant to Utah Code § 63-46b-9, AARP ("Petitioner") petitions the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") for leave to intervene and participate in the above referenced proceeding.

In support of its Petition AARP states as follows:

1. Petitioner is a nonprofit, non partisan membership organization that advocates for people who are 50 years of age and older, seeking to promote their independence, choice and control in ways that are beneficial and affordable to them and to society as a whole. AARP operates staffed offices in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S.

¹ In 1999, the "American Association of Retired Persons" changed its name to simply "AARP", in recognition of the fact that people do not have to be retired to be members. AARP is incorporated as a 501(c)(4) organization. Its affiliated AARP Foundation is incorporated as a 501(c)(3) organization.

Virgin Islands. There are more than 217,000 AARP members currently residing in the state of

Utah, many of whom are customers of Rocky Mountain Power.

AARP promotes the well-being of older persons through advocacy, education, and

service on a number of priority issues. AARP has determined that advocacy for reasonable utility

rates and service is one of these priority issues.

Correspondence, communications, orders and the decision in this matter should be

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2. On December 27, 2007, the Commission issued an Order directing interested

parties wishing to intervene, except for those desiring to raise issues associated with the test year,

to do so by February 1, 2008, and thus, this application is timely.

3. AARP has a long track record of professional participation before public utility

commissions throughout the country, helping to provide a competent and substantial factual

record in numerous cases. AARP has provided credible and persuasive testimony, assisting

commissioners in crafting just and reasonable decisions on issues regarding rates and services for

older utility consumers.

4. AARP's interest in this matter relates to the proposed rates, terms and conditions

of service for Rocky Mountain Power's residential electric customers. More specifically,

AARP's interest in this matter relates to how these proposals may directly and adversely impact

those ratepayers aged 50 and older who are receiving service from Rocky Mountain Power. This

interest is different than the general public interest. Older consumers are particularly vulnerable

to increases in energy prices. They also devote a higher percentage of their total spending than

do other age groups on residential energy costs. Older consumers also have special needs with

regard to access to heating and cooling.

The rate increase requested by the Applicant, if approved, would result in significant

added cost to AARP's members and other ratepayers aged 50 and over. Petitioner has a

substantial and diverse interest in the outcome of this case that cannot be adequately represented

by any other party.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, AARP requests that the Public Service

Commission of Utah grant this timely Motion to Intervene and permit AARP to participate in

this proceeding with full rights as a party.

DATED this 31st day of January, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dale F. Gardiner Attorney for Petitioners

CERTI FICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 31st day of January 2008, I caused to be e-mailed and/or mailed, first class, postage prepaid, a true and correct copy of the foregoing PETITION TO

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