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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Utah Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Philip Powlick, Director

Artie Powell, Manager, Energy Section

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Subject: Application of Rocky Mountain Power for an Accounting Order Regarding Post-

Retirement Prescription Drug Coverage Tax Benefits, Docket No. 10-035-38.

Date: April 8, 2010

On April 1, 2010 Rocky Mountain Power (Company), filed an application with the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) for an accounting order regarding post-retirement prescription drug coverage tax benefits. The Company has requested Commission authorization to record a regulatory asset associated with tax benefits previously reflected in rates that will no longer be realized for certain costs incurred for post-retirement prescription drug coverage as the result of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

On April 5, 2010 the Commission issued an Action Request for the Division. Further discovery will be needed to establish whether this issue may qualify for an accounting order to record a regulatory asset. In response to the Action Request, the Division requests that the Commission set a Scheduling Conference at the earliest opportunity. The Division will participate according to the Scheduling Order.

cc: Michele Beck, Office of Consumer Services

Dave Taylor, Rocky Mountain Power

