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Utah Public Service Commission 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Heber M. Wells State Office Building 160 E. 300 S. Salt Lake City, UT 84114

> Re: Docket 11-035-200; Proposed Settlement Conference Involving Dr. Jim Logan

Dear Commission:

Several parties to the above-referenced Rocky Mountain Power General Rate Case ("GRC"), i.e., Rocky Mountain Power, the Division of Public Utilities, the Office of Consumer Services, the Utah Industrial Energy Consumers and the Utah Association of Energy Users, have asked me to communicate to the Commission our collective desire to hold a settlement conference to discuss possible responses to the issues and potential inconsistencies discussed by Dr. Jim Logan at the modeling technical conference held in this docket on June 4, 2012. The parties would like to invite Dr. Logan to participate in this settlement conference in order to explore and discuss in greater detail his perceived issues and inconsistencies with the company's modeling, as well as his thoughts and recommendations on potential solutions. Our desire to hold such a settlement conference is predicated upon our joint assumptions and understandings that Dr. Logan will have no further role with or input to the Commission in this docket on modeling or any other issues, and that Dr. Logan's proposed involvement in the settlement conference would not violate the Commission's ex parte rule or any other Commission rule or requirement.

We propose to send email notice of the above-referenced parties' intent to engage in such settlement discussions to all parties to the GRC, and to invite all of them to participate, subject to an understanding and agreement of all participants that discussions at the settlement conference will be privileged and may not be used or introduced, directly or indirectly, into evidence in the GRC or any other Commission proceeding. We intend that participation in the settlement conference will be conditioned upon the understanding and agreement of all participants that, while any party is free to utilize and introduce into evidence any model or any proposed adjustments or changes to any model, no party will identify any such changes or adjustments, or objections to the same, as proposed by, or as consistent or inconsistent with, Dr. Logan's ideas or proposed solutions. In other words, while any party is free to sponsor any model, including Dr.

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Logan's model, or any proposed changes or adjustments to any model or model inputs, no party may identify Dr. Logan's proposed solutions in support of or in opposition to any proposed adjustments or changes by itself or any other party. This is in recognition of Dr. Logan's work as a Commission consultant and the high regard in which the Commission and others hold Dr. Logan, as well as the fact that Dr. Logan will not be a witness in this docket and cannot properly sponsor or support evidence for any party.

If any of our assumptions or understandings identified above is incorrect in any manner, or if the Commission otherwise has any concerns or objections to the parties' proposed settlement conference involving Dr. Logan, we request that you please notify us of the same as soon as possible. Otherwise, we intend to schedule a settlement conference in the very near future and invite Dr. Logan to participate.

Yours sincerely, Gary A. Dodge

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