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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

In the Matter of the Application of PacifiCorp, by and through its Rocky Mountain Power Division, for Approval of a Solicitation Process for an All-Source Resource for the 2016 Time Period	Docket No. 11-035-73 UAE'S COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER'S DECISION NOT TO PURSUE A 2016 RESOURCE
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The Utah Association of Energy Users (UAE) files these comments in response to and in support of the September 28, 2012 filing by Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) in this docket indicating that it does not currently intend to pursue a 2016 resource in connection with the Request for Proposals (RFP) issued in this docket.

UAE's primary goal in this docket has been to ensure the acquisition of the lowest reasonable cost resources to serve RMP's projected loads. In light of the harsh economic climate and several years of sharply increasing electric rates, UAE has urged RMP to defer or delay capital expenditures and expenses that may not be required in the near-term. While long-term planning is necessary for electric utilities, shorter-term rate and other impacts must also be taken

into consideration to protect the public interest. Given significant changes in circumstances since the RFP was issued, including lower projected load growth and adequate projected availability of market resources, coupled with negligible and questionable long-term net present value benefits of resources bid into this RFP, UAE supports RMP's decision not to pursue acquisition of a 2016 resource at this time.

DATED this 31st day of October, 2012.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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