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# **REQUEST FOR SCHEDULING CONFERENCE**

### To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities Chris Parker, Director Artie Powell, Energy Section Manager Charles Peterson, Technical Consultant Doug Wheelwright, Utility Analyst

**Date:** November 29, 2012

Subject: Request for Scheduling Conference in Docket No. 12-035-102.

### ISSUE

On November 15, 2012, Rocky Mountain Power (Company) submitted to the Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) Docket No. 12-035-102, Voluntary Request for Approval of Resource Decision. The application asks for approval of the Company's decision to enter into long term contracts to acquire natural gas resources. This application is submitted under the requirements of Utah Code Ann §54-17-402 (Voluntary Request for Resource Decision Review) and Utah Admin R746-440 (Voluntary Resource Decision). The statute requires a decision from the Commission within 180 days of the Company's application.



#### RECOMMENDATION

The Division supports a review of the proposed contracts and recommends that the Commission notice a date for a scheduling conference. The purpose of the conference would be to establish dates for a technical conference, intervention deadlines, testimony and supporting document requirements as well as a date for hearing in this docket.

This memorandum constitutes the Division's response to the Commission's Action Request issued to the Division on November 28, 2012.

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