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ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

To: Public Service Commission

From: Office of Energy Development

Samantha Mary Julian, Director

Alexander Scott, Energy Efficiency Developer

Date: April 18, 2012

Re: Docket No. 12-035-69 Creation of a DSM Steering Committee (Notice of Opportunity to Comment on Request for Agency Action)

RECOMMENDATION (CREATE A DSM STEERING COMMITTEE)

As a party to the Scheduling Conference, the Office of Energy Development (OED) respectfully recommends that the Public Service Commission (Commission) approve the creation of a DSM Steering Committee.

ISSUE

On or about March 16, 2012, several parties submitted to the Commission a request for agency action (Request) creating a Steering Committee to consider DSM related issues for Rocky Mountain Power that involve sensitive, confidential, or proprietary information or requiring or leading to settlement discussions. In the Request, the parties ask that the Commission "schedule a technical conference and scheduling conference in this docket as soon as practicable to determine appropriate procedures and timelines for Commission consideration of this Request."

On March 29, 2012, the Commission held a scheduling conference requesting filing of initial

comments from parties in attendance. This scheduling conference also provided opportunity for parties who were not signatories to the Request to provide comment. This memorandum constitutes OED's response to the opportunity to comment.

DISCUSSION

On or about March 16, 2012, Rocky Mountain Power (Company), the Division of Public Utilities (Division), the Office of Consumer Services (Office), the Utah Association of Energy Users (UAE), Utah Clean Energy (UCE), Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP), and Western Resource Advocates (WRA) (collectively Parties) filed with the Public Service Commission (Commission) a Request for Agency Action (Request). Through the Request, the parties seek the creation of a DSM Steering Committee for the purpose of facilitating the review and discussion of information of a sensitive, confidential, or proprietary nature or discussions leading to settlement negotiations. The Parties represent that the DSM Advisory Group as now constituted would continue to meet and that the Steering Committee would report to the Advisory Group and the Commission on a regular basis.

Reasons for the Parties request are detailed in the Request. As part of the Request, the Parties ask "that the Commission schedule a technical conference and scheduling conference in this docket as soon as practicable to determine appropriate procedures and timelines for Commission consideration of this Request."

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

OED meets each of the requirements set forth in section IV paragraph 10 of the Request for Steering Committee Membership. Therefore, OED respectfully requests that should Commission approve creation of the Steering Committee, a vote be subsequently cast for OED to become a Steering Committee Member under the process stipulated in section IV paragraph 11 of the Request.

CONCLUSION

OED supports the creation of the DSM Steering Committee as proposed by the Request. Further, OED is prepared to provide a member to the Steering Committee who meets each of the stipulations set forth in the Request. Therefore, OED recommends the creation of the DSM Steering Committee as soon as practicable at the conclusion of the comment period on May 18, 2012.

