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Date: July 19, 2012

Subject: Dixie Escalante Rural Electric Association revised tariff sheets. Docket No. 12-066-T01

ISSUE:

On July 3, 2012, Dixie Escalante Rural Electric Association (Dixie), in accordance with Section 54-7-12-6(a),(b),(c),(d), of the Utah Code, filed with the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) revisions to the following nine (9) tariff sheets; Utah Residential Service sheet, two (2) Utah Small Commercial Service sheets, Utah Large Commercial sheet, Utah Off-Peak Service sheet, Utah Irrigation Pumping Service sheet, Utah Interruptable Irrigation Pumping Service sheet, Utah State Highway Lighting sheet and the Utah Area/Street Lighting sheet. The filing also stated the current General Service tariff sheet will be eliminated and the current net metering rate will remain unchanged.

RECOMMENDATION: COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends the Commission acknowledge Dixie Escalante's revised tariff sheets with an effective date of July 1, 2012, and make them available for public inspection.

DISCUSSION:

The filing indicates these revised tariff sheets reflect an average increase in rates of 10% due to increases in their wholesale power costs. A residential customer using an average of 1,000 Kwh a month will see an average increase in their bill of \$6.50 or 10.92% per month.

Dixie's Board of Directors approved this increase in a board meeting held on November 2, 2011. Notice of these increases were mailed out on May 23, 2012 and discussed in public meetings held at the Beryl Elementary School on June 5, 2012 and the Dixie Center Ballroom in St. George on June 6, 2012.

The Division recommends the Commission acknowledge the revised tariff sheets and make them available for public inspection.

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