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David L. Taylor, Regulatory Manager Rocky Mountain Power 201 South Main Street, Suite 2300 Salt Lake City, UT 84111 Data Request Response Center PacifiCorp 825 NE Multnomah Blvd., Suite 2000 Portland, OR 97232

RE: Docket No. 13-035-119, "In the Matter of Rocky Mountain Power's 2013 Smart Grid Monitoring Report"

## Dear Mr. Taylor:

On July 12, 2013, Rocky Mountain Power ("Company"), in compliance with a Commission order issued on November 30, 2011, in Docket No. 08-999-05 ("2011 Order"), filed its 2013 Smart Grid Monitoring Report ("Report"). On July 16, 2013, the Commission issued an Action Request to the Division of Public Utilities ("Division") requesting an evaluation of the Report. On September 10, 2013, the Division and the Office of Consumer Services ("Office") each filed a memorandum in response to the Commission's Action Request.

The Division believes the Report complies with the Commission's 2011 Order, with one exception, and therefore recommends the Commission conditionally acknowledge the Company's Report. The Division notes the 2011 Order directed the Company to "explain the relationship between the analysis provided in the Financial Summary and the demand side resource performance standards approved by the Commission in Docket No. 09-035-27." The Company acknowledged it had not included this analysis in the Report and, at the request of the Division, agreed to supply it. The Division also requests the Company begin to monitor developments in micro-grid technologies and to briefly report on those developments in future smart grid reports.

The Office recommends future smart grid reports include: 1) an index identifying the location within the Report that demonstrates compliance with all Commission ordered requirements; 2) an explanation for each area of non-compliance; 3) coordination between the Company's Smart

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Grid group and the Demand Side Management ("DSM") group regarding the discussion of the annual Smart Grid Monitoring Report at the DSM advisory group meetings.

The Commission has reviewed the Company's Report and the Division's and Office's analyses. The Commission agrees with the Division's conclusion that the Report conditionally complies with Commission requirements. The Commission requests the Company provide the additional information identified by the Division and file it as an addendum to the Report within 30 days of the date of this letter.

The Division and Office also offer areas of improvement for future smart grid monitoring reports and the Commission encourages the Company to address these improvements in future reports and other work group meetings.

The Commission recognizes the effort undertaken by the Company to prepare the Report. Pending the filing of information requested above, the Commission acknowledges the Report as complying with the 2011 Order.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg Commission Secretary