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Mr. Ron Allen, Chairman
Utah Public Service Commission
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Dear Chairman Allen,

We, the Sandy Hills Community Council are a volunteer, non-profit, 501c-4 group representing a portion of the unincorporated Salt Lake County Island areas located in the South East quadrant of Salt Lake County. We are formally recognized by the Salt Lake County Council, as per County Ordinance and represent roughly 640 households in our area. In the Sandy Hills Community Council's meeting held on July 9th, 2014 a motion, for the following resolution was made and adopted because of our Council's concerns over the utility rate and fee increases proposed by Rocky Mountain Power. It is our understanding that this is under consideration by the Public Service Commission (PSC).

Whereas, increases of residential customers utility bills by 5.1% , which comprise of increases anywhere from \$5.00 to \$8.00 dollars per month, per household and increases of the monthly minimum amounts ranging from \$7.00 to \$15.00 dollars per month, per household, as well as a new monthly charge of \$4.25 per month, per household for solar net metering customers, and

Whereas, these increases in customer charges will have a profound effect on the residents, and

Whereas, Rocky Mountain Power seeks to justify its rate increases in part, on the basis that raising prices will decrease the use of power consumption by residents, and

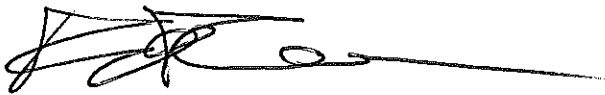
Whereas, Rocky Mountain Power seeks to justify implementing a new monthly charge on solar net metering customers, and

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sandy Hills Community Council calls upon the Utah Public Service Commission to DENY the request by Rocky Mountain Power to raise rates and increase fees charged on its customers for the following reasons;

- 1.) The Sandy Hills areas mainly comprise of a majority of aging and retired residents, who live on fixed incomes and/or budgets as well as those hard working, blue collar class citizens many of which have not seen cost of living increases.
- 2.) There are residents in the Sandy Hills area that are elderly and some disabled who have higher energy consumption rates than most regular customers, running life saving oxygen equipment and/or heating and cooling equipment for those sensitive to temperatures.
- 3.) Rocky Mountain Power needs to encourage those willing to invest in renewable energy sources whenever possible.
- 4.) Our Council feels that Rocky Mountain Power should formulate future energy expansion that encourages the use of alternative sources of energy and not discourage their use by adding additional charges to those sources.

The Sandy Hills Community Council requests that this Resolution be recorded with the PSC Docket #13-035-184 for the public record.

Sincerely,



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