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Subject: Notice of an Optional New Application Process for the New Homes Program, Rocky Mountain Power Demand Side Management – Docket No. 13-035-53

## **Background**

On April 4, 2013, Rocky Mountain Power ("Company") filed with the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") an Optional New Application Process ("Process") for the New Homes Program ("Program"). On March 6, 2013, the Company presented to the DSM Steering Committee information pertaining to the Program. At that meeting, the Steering Committee was informed that the Program was performing at less than 5% of its savings goal through March. The Company presented a draft new Process designed to improve Program performance and received feedback from the Steering Committee regarding the Process.

## Discussion

As the Company starts to receive results from the Process, Program cost effectiveness and increased participation will be measured against current target savings goals. The Office recommends that if the optional new Process is successful then the Company should evaluate how to extend the Process to more builders.

## **Recommendation**

The Office recommends the Commission approve the Optional New Application Process as filed by the Company.