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ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

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To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

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Date: September 25, 2014

Subject: Docket No. 14-035-123: In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of its Amendment to the Agreement for Electric Service by Spring City, Utah to Additional Customers After June 15, 2013 Outside of Municipal Boundaries

RECOMMENDATION: (Approve)

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) approve the Customer Service Agreement (Agreement) between Rocky Mountain Power and Spring City.

ISSUE

In an Application dated September 19, 2014, Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) requested that the Commission approve the Agreement with Spring City (City), whereby the Company and City agree pursuant to Utah Code Annotated § 63G-4-201, 203 and Utah Admin.



Code R746-100-3, that Spring City will provide electric service to specified customer (Customer), whose property is located outside the municipal boundaries of the City.

DISCUSSION

Senate Bill 180 (SB 180), passed in the 2013 General Session, provides a framework for the transfer of customers between an electric corporation and a municipality. Specifically, this statute provides a framework for new customers who request service after June 15, 2013. Contracts under this statute are approved by the Commission.

According to the Company and the City, the Customer is located approximately 100 feet from the nearest Spring City distribution facilities and about 0.75 miles from the nearest Rocky Mountain Power distribution facilities. The Customer is not currently receiving any electric service at the requested location, and has requested service from the City. This agreement will not affect any other current Rocky Mountain Power Customers.

The Agreement between the Company and the City is dated August 22, 2014.¹ This Amended Agreement amends the existing agreement which was approved the Commission in Docket No.13-035-163. The Agreement has been entered into as a convenience to the Customer and is based upon the unique circumstances and conditions associated with the location of the Customer; i.e. that it is presently uneconomic for the Company to provide electric service to the Customer, but it is relatively convenient and economical for the City to provide electric service. Pursuant to Utah Code Section 10-8-14, the parties have petitioned the Commission for approval of the Agreement.

¹ August 22, 2014 is the date of the most recent signature on the document.

Conclusion

Given these factors, the Division recommends Commission approval of RMP's Agreement with Spring City.

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