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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

In the Matter of the Application of)
Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of)
Power Purchase Agreement Between)
PacifiCorp and Escalante Solar III, LLC)
APPLICATION OF ROCKY
MOUNTAIN POWER

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-12-2, PacifiCorp, doing business in Utah as Rocky Mountain Power ("Rocky Mountain Power" or "Company") hereby applies for an order approving the Power Purchase Agreement ("Agreement") between PacifiCorp and Escalante Solar III, LLC ("Escalante III") dated June 17, 2014. In support of its Application, Rocky Mountain Power states as follows:

1. Rocky Mountain Power is a public utility in the state of Utah and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to its rates and service. Rocky Mountain Power also provides retail electric service in the states of Idaho and Wyoming. As a "purchasing utility," as that term is used in Utah Code Ann. §54-12-2, PacifiCorp is obligated to purchase power from qualifying facilities pursuant to the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, Utah Code Ann. §54-12-1, *et seq.*, and the Commission's orders. Under the Agreement, Escalante III represents itself to be a

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qualifying facility, and agrees to provide PacifiCorp, upon request, with evidence to show its qualifying facility status.

2. Communications regarding this Application should be addressed to:

By e-mail (preferred): datarequest@pacificorp.com

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- 3. In Docket No. 12-035-100, In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of Changes to Renewable Avoided Cost Methodology for Qualifying Facilities Projects Larger than Three Megawatts, the Commission issued a series of Orders, which established avoided capacity and energy cost payments for purchases from renewable QF projects larger than three megawatts, such as Escalante III's, under contracts with PacifiCorp with terms up to 20 years.
- 4. The Agreement provides for the sale to PacifiCorp of energy to be generated by Escalante III, from a solar-powered generation facility for the generation of electric

energy located in Beaver County, Utah (the "Facility"). A copy of the confidential

Agreement is attached to this Application as Exhibit A. The Agreement is for a term of

twenty (20) years from the Commercial Operation Date.

5. The purchase prices set forth in the Agreement were calculated using the

methodology approved in Docket No. 12-035-100.

6. The Facility is located in Beaver County, Utah in an area served by Rocky

Mountain Power. All interconnection requirements will be met and the Facility will be

fully integrated with the Rocky Mountain Power system.

7. The Agreement constitutes a "New QF Contract" under the PacifiCorp

Interjurisdictional Cost Allocation Protocol ("Protocol"), previously filed with the

Commission pursuant to a stipulation in Docket No. 02-035-04. According to the terms

of the Protocol, the costs of the QF provisions would be allocated as a system resource,

unless any portion of those costs exceed the cost PacifiCorp would have otherwise

incurred acquiring comparable resources.

WHEREFORE, Rocky Mountain Power respectfully requests that the

Commission issue an order approving the Agreement and find the terms and conditions

of the Agreement to be just, reasonable and in the public interest.

DATED this 3rd day of July 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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