

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Authority to Revise Rates in Tariff Schedule 98, Renewable Energy Credits Balancing Account

DOCKET NO. 15-035-27

ORDER ESTABLISHING
FINAL RATES

ISSUED: September 1, 2015

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of Utah (“Commission”) on the March 16, 2015 application (“Application”) of PacifiCorp, dba Rocky Mountain Power (“PacifiCorp”), for approval to recover the Electric Service Schedule No. 98, “REC Revenues Credit” (“Schedule 98”) deferred balance of approximately \$5.6 million, to be collected from customers in two annual installments of approximately \$2.8 million, the first to be effective on June 1, 2015.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On March 23, 2015, the Commission held a scheduling conference and subsequently issued a Scheduling Order and Notice of Interim Rates Hearing (“Scheduling Order”). Pursuant to the Scheduling Order, the Commission conducted a hearing on May 20, 2015, at which the Application was examined. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Commission issued a bench ruling approving, on an interim basis, the rate changes requested in the Application. On May 26, 2015, the Commission issued its written order confirming its May 20, 2015 bench ruling (“May 26 Order”).

On July 9, 2015, the Division of Public Utilities (“Division”) filed its audit report (“Audit Report”) of PacifiCorp, Renewable Energy Credits Balancing Account (“RBA”). The Division indicates it reviewed numerous documents in the course of its audit including renewable energy

credit (“REC”) sales, request for proposals, reverse request for proposals, REC revenue contracts, renewable costs in base rates, REC budget for 2014 and 2015, REC policies and procedures, and previous RBA filings. The Division’s audit found no material discrepancies in PacifiCorp’s records of the 2014 REC transactions. Based on its review and audit, the Division states PacifiCorp appears to be in compliance with regulatory and reporting requirements and recommends the interim rates approved by the Commission in its bench ruling of May 20, 2015 should be made final.

On August 6, 2015, the Utah Office of Consumer Services (“Office”) filed comments on the Application and the Audit Report. The Office reviewed additional information provided by PacifiCorp following the Commission’s issuance of the May 26 Order and also reviewed the Division’s July 9, 2015 Audit Report. Based on its review and analysis, the Office found no errors, discrepancies or issues of concern and recommends the Commission approve the interim rates and rate spread as final rates. No other comments were filed.

ORDER

Based on PacifiCorp’s Application, the Division’s Audit Report and recommendation, and the Office’s recommendation, the requested rate changes to recover the deferred balance under Schedule 98 of approximately \$5.6 million, previously approved on an interim basis in the Commission’s May 26 Order are approved as final rates. The deferred balance of approximately \$5.6 million, will be collected from customers pursuant to Schedule 98 in two annual installments of approximately \$2.8 million, the first to be effective June 1, 2015. The approved Schedule 98 is attached as Exhibit A to this order.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah this 1st day of September, 2015.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
DW#268927

Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15 of the Utah Code, an aggrieved party may request agency review or rehearing of this written Order by filing a written request with the Commission within 30 days after the issuance of this Order. Responses to a request for agency review or rehearing must be filed within 15 days of the filing of the request for review or rehearing. If the Commission does not grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of the request, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the Commission's final agency action may be obtained by filing a petition for review with the Utah Supreme Court within 30 days after final agency action. Any petition for review must comply with the requirements of §§ 63G-4-401 and 63G-4-403 of the Utah Code and Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on the 1st day of September, 2015, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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Exhibit A

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER
ELECTRIC SERVICE SCHEDULE NO. 98**

STATE OF UTAH

REC Revenue Adjustment

AVAILABILITY: At any point on the Company's interconnected system.

APPLICATION: This Schedule shall be applicable to all retail tariff Customers taking service under the terms contained in this Tariff.

MONTHLY BILL: In addition to the Monthly Charges contained in the Customer's applicable schedule, all monthly bills shall have the following percentage adjustments applied to the Monthly Power Charges and Energy Charges of the Customer's applicable schedule.

Schedule 1	0.55%
Schedule 2	0.55%
Schedule 3	0.55%
Schedule 6	0.43%
Schedule 6A	0.58%
Schedule 6B	0.43%
Schedule 7*	0.13%
Schedule 8	0.52%
Schedule 9	0.53%
Schedule 9A	0.57%
Schedule 10	0.50%
Schedule 11*	0.13%
Schedule 12*	0.13%
Schedule 15 (Traffic and Other Signal Systems)	0.51%
Schedule 15 (Metered Outdoor Nighttime Lighting)	0.33%
Schedule 21	0.85%
Schedule 23	0.41%
Schedule 31	**

* The rate for Schedules 7, 11 and 12 shall be applied to the Charge per Lamp.

** The rate for Schedule 31 shall be the same as the applicable general service schedule.