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From: Office of Consumer Services
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Subject: **Reply Comments** Docket 15-035-T17

In the Matter of: Rocky Mountain Power's Proposed Revisions to Electric Service Schedule 117, Residential Refrigerator Recycling Program

On December 4, 2015 Rocky Mountain Power Company (Company) filed with the Public Service Commission (Commission) a proposal to suspend the Schedule 117 tariff.

Schedule 117 details a Demand-Side Management (DSM) program intended to reduce load by recycling used refrigerators that have already been replaced, thereby preventing them from being acquired on a market for used goods and being reused. Participants in the program are given an incentive of up to \$20 and their refrigerator is hauled away for recycling.

The vendor currently contracted to perform the services of this program, Jaco Environmental (Jaco), informed the Company that it was going out of business. The situation with Jaco has also been reported by several media outlets, as this vendor was operating in several other places across the United States.

The Office of Consumer Services recommends approval of the requested tariff change and resulting program suspension. At this time Jaco is no longer able to provide the service, the Company cannot fulfill the obligations of the tariff without a qualified vendor, and a viable alternative is not immediately available.

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