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# ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER RBA AUDIT REPORT

To: Utah Public Service Commission

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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Date: July 10, 2018

Re: Rocky Mountain Power's Application to Revise Rates in Tariff Schedule 98,

Renewable Energy Credits Balancing Account

Docket No. 18-035-06

#### RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) review and audit of Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) Renewable Energy Credits (RECs), the Division recommends that the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) approve the interim rates set under this docket as final.

#### ISSUE

The Division hereby submits for filing the Division's Audit Report of the Rocky Mountain Power, Renewable Energy Credits Balancing Account (RBA) dated July 10, 2018.

### DISCUSSION

On May 22, 2018, the Commission issued its Order approving RMPs proposed RBA interim rates, with an effective date of June 1, 2018.



The Division reviewed numerous documents in the course of its audit, including RMP REC sales, request for proposals, RMP reverse request for proposals, RMP REC revenue contracts, renewable costs in base rates, the REC budget for 2017 and 2018, REC policies and procedures, and previous RBA filings. Based on this review, it appears the RBA is prudently managed and follows regulatory and reporting requirements.

## CONCLUSION

The Division's audit found no discrepancies in RMP's records of the 2017 REC transactions. Based on a review of the associated 2017 REC tariff, Schedule 98, and related 2017 filings with the Utah Public Service Commission, Rocky Mountain Power appears to be in compliance with regulatory and reporting requirements and the interim rates appear to be just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be made final.

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