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Re: *Rocky Mountain Power's Proposed Tariff Revisions to Electric Service Schedule No. 94, Energy Balancing Account Pilot Program - Compliance Filing; Docket No. 19-035-T17*

Dear Ms. Saba:

The Public Service Commission (PSC) reviewed the November 21, 2019 filing by Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) proposing modifications to Index Sheet No. B.1, and Electric Service Schedule No. 94, Energy Balancing Account (EBA) Pilot Program ("Schedule 94") Sheet Nos. 94.1, 94.2, 94.3, 94.9, and 94.10 of its tariff P.S.C.U. No. 50 ("Tariff"). The filing was made pursuant to the PSC's November 14, 2019 order ("Order") in Docket No. 09-035-15.¹ Among other things, the proposed changes specify that the EBA carrying charge is the interest rate "specified in Electric Service Schedule No. 300, Regulation Charges, [which] shall be divided by 12 to calculate the monthly [EBA] interest rate." In addition, the changes remove references to pilot program, interim rates, and a sharing band, and modify the procedural schedule for the EBA. RMP requests an effective date of January 1, 2020 for these changes.

The PSC also reviewed the comments of the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) and the Office of Consumer Services (OCS) filed on December 5, 2019. The DPU asserts RMP's proposed changes are consistent with the Order and with past procedures accepted by the PSC. The DPU recommends the PSC approve RMP's filing. The OCS asserts that for RMP's proposed Schedule 94 modifications to be compliant with the Order, Schedule 300 must also be modified to explicitly state that the specified carrying charges also apply to Schedule 94. With this modification, the OCS supports RMP's proposed changes to Schedule 94.

In its December 13, 2019 reply comments, RMP expressed concern that the OCS's proposed modification may lead customers to incorrectly assume that Schedule 300 is a complete list of all of RMP's interest rate charges for both its Regulations and its Electric Service Schedules. As an

¹ See *In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of its Proposed Energy Cost Adjustment Mechanism*, Docket No. 09-035-15, Order issued November 14, 2019.

alternative, RMP modified the proposed Sheet No. 94.1 to create a new defined term titled “EBA Carrying Charge Interest Rate” which specifies that the interest rate will be the same as the customer deposit rate. The proposed Sheet No. 94.10 was also modified to refer to the EBA Carrying Charge Interest Rate instead of Schedule 300. The PSC finds these proposed modifications are reasonable and properly implement the Order, and therefore accepts them.

Based on the PSC’s review of RMP’s proposed Tariff modifications and filed comments, and the DPU’s recommendation, the proposed revisions to Tariff Index Sheet No. B.1 and to Schedule 94, Sheet Nos. 94.1, 94.2, 94.3, 94.9, and 94.10, including RMP’s additional revisions to Sheet Nos. 94.1 and 94.10 filed on December 13, 2019, are approved effective January 1, 2020.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg

PSC Secretary

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