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Ms. Jana Saba
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Data Request Response Center
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Portland, OR 97232

Re: *Division of Public Utilities' Audit of PacifiCorp's 2019 Fuel Inventory Policies and Practices*; Docket No. 20-035-12

Dear Ms. Saba:

The Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) reviewed the Division of Public Utilities' (DPU) March 31, 2020 memorandum concerning its audit of Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) 2019 fuel inventory policies and practices ("Memo"). The PSC also reviewed RMP's reply comments filed on April 27, 2020.

In the Memo DPU recommended that, due to recent plant closures and announced coal plant retirements, RMP hire a third-party consultant to update its 2018 third-party coal inventory review report by the end of 2020 or by the first quarter of 2021 to ensure policies, practices, and target inventory levels are optimized. Due to the effects of the COVID-19 public health emergency, RMP recommends waiting until the middle of 2021 to engage a third party to update the coal inventory study and to discuss this issue during the next annual fuel audit to be conducted in the spring of 2021.

The PSC supports DPU's recommendation regarding an updated coal inventory study as agreed to by RMP. The PSC finds that, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the timing for the study as proposed by RMP is reasonable.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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