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Public Service Commission of Utah Heber M. Wells Building, 4th Floor 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Attn: Julie P. Orchard

Commission Secretary

Re: Case No. 03-035-14 – Quarterly Compliance Filing – 2010.Q2

Avoided Cost Input Changes

Commission Orders dated October 31, 2005 and February 2, 2006 in Case No. 03-035-14 state that the Company is required to keep a record of any changes, including data inputs, made to the Proxy and GRID models used in calculating avoided costs. The Orders further require the Company to notify the Commission and Division of Public Utilities of updates made to the models used in the approved Proxy and Partial Displacement Differential Revenue Requirement (PDDRR) avoided cost methodologies.

This filing reports changes since the Company's last compliance filing dated June 14, 2010, Case No. 03-035-14.

PacifiCorp (dba Rocky Mountain Power) hereby respectfully submits an original of this compliance filing to address this requirement. An electronic copy of this filing will be provided to psecal@utah.gov. Additional detail is provided below:

1. GRID Model Data Updates

A number of data and modeling assumption updates have occurred in the GRID model since the last filing. **Appendix A** provides a summary of those updates.

2. Proxy / Partial Displacement Differential Revenue Requirement Avoided Cost Methodology

The Proxy used in the Partial Displacement Differential Revenue Requirement (PDDRR) avoided cost methodology is consistent with the Company's 2008 Integrated Resource Plan Update (2008 IRP Update) which was filed with the Commission on March 31, 2010. During the period 2012 through 2014 the proxy will be third quarter high load hour only front office trades and starting June 2015 the proxy is a 607 MW combined cycle combustion turbine. Both proxy resources are listed in table ES.1 of the 2008 IRP Update.

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3. Impact to Avoided Cost Prices (\$/MWh)

Provided as **Appendix B** is a \$/MWh impact study of the above mentioned updates, together with a comparison to the last filing. The updates reflect a decrease of \$0.87 /MWh on a 20-year nominal levelized basis. Avoided costs presented in **Appendix B** were calculated assuming a 100 MW 85% capacity factor QF resource.

4. <u>Major Changes from the Prior Study</u>

Provided as **Appendix C** is a \$/MWh step impact study of the major changes from the prior study. Identified as the major changes are: (1) the use of the latest long-term load forecast, (2) the update to the most recent Official Forward Price Curve, and (3) all other changes to the model. Also provided in **Appendix C** is the incremental impact of each change from the prior step.

5. **Proxy Wind Resource**

The selection of Dunlap I Wind as the proxy wind resource is unchanged from the Company's 2010.Q1 Compliance Filing dated June 14, 2010.

It is respectfully requested that all formal correspondence and requests regarding this compliance filing be addressed to:

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Very truly yours,

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