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# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**April 16, 2014** 

Subject: Public Service Commission of Utah Determinations Required by S.B. 208.

On March 25, 2014, Governor Herbert signed Senate Bill 208, with an effective date of May 13, 2014. S.B. 208 amends Utah Code Ann. §§ 54-15-102, 54-15-104 and 54-15-106 and enacts Utah Code Ann. § 54-15-105.1 as follows:

*The governing authority shall:* 

(1) determine, after appropriate notice and opportunity for public comment, whether costs that the electrical corporation or other customers will incur from a net metering program will exceed the benefits of the net metering program, or whether the benefits of the net metering program will exceed the costs; and

(2) determine a just and reasonable charge, credit, or ratemaking structure, including new or existing tariffs, in light of the costs and benefits.

The term "governing authority" in the context above is defined to mean the Commission. *See* Utah Code Ann. § 54-15-102(8)(b). The Commission's determinations referenced in subsections (1) and (2) of Utah Code Ann. § 54-15-105.1 will be accomplished in the context of PacifiCorp, dba Rocky Mountain Power's ("PacifiCorp") general rate case in Docket No. 13-035-184. The rate case docket can be viewed on the Commission's website at <a href="www.psc.utah.gov">www.psc.utah.gov</a>. In that docket, PacifiCorp is proposing to implement a net metering facilities charge of \$4.25 per month for residential net metering customers.

The Commission invites public comment on whether costs that PacifiCorp or other customers will incur from PacifiCorp's net metering program will exceed the benefits of the net metering program, or whether the benefits of the net metering program will exceed the costs. Consistent with the Commission's January 22, 2014, scheduling order, parties that have intervened in Docket No. 13-035-184 may address this topic as part of their written direct testimony on cost-of-service issues, due May 22, 2014.



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Interested individuals that have not intervened in Docket No. 13-035-184 may also submit written comment to <a href="www.psc.utah.gov">www.psc.utah.gov</a>, referencing Docket No. 13-035-184. Finally, the Commission encourages the public to provide oral comments at the Public Witness Hearing for Docket No. 13-035-184, Tuesday, July 29, 2014, beginning at 5:00 p.m. (MDT), Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

NOTE: The Public Witness Hearing is scheduled to run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Individuals planning to address the Commission at the Public Witness Hearing must be present by 6:00 p.m. (MDT); however, the Public Witness Hearing will continue until all individuals who are present by 6:00 p.m. (MDT) have had a reasonable opportunity to address the Commission.

Individuals wishing to participate in the hearing by telephone should contact the Public Service Commission two days in advance of the hearing by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824). Participants attending by telephone should then call the Public Service Commission at the same number listed above five minutes prior to the hearing to ensure participation. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during the hearing should notify the Commission at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the hearing.