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Mr. LaDel Laub
Dixie Escalante Rural Electric Association
d/b/a Dixie Power
145 West Brigham Rd.
St. George, UT 84790

Re: Required Reporting on Electrical Interconnection and Electrical Service Reliability (Utah Administrative Code R746-312-16 and R746-313-7), *Miscellaneous Correspondence and Reports Regarding Electric Utility Services, 2019*; Docket No. 19-999-01.

Dear Mr. Laub:

The Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC), with input from interested stakeholders, adopted administrative rules pertaining to electrical interconnection and electric service reliability in 2010 and 2012, respectively. These rules currently contain the following reporting requirements:

R746-312. Electrical Interconnection

R746-312-16. Public Utility Maps, Records and Reports.

- (1) *Each public utility shall maintain current records of interconnection customer generating facilities showing size, location, generator type, and date of interconnection authorization.*
- (2) ***By July 1 of each year***, the public utility shall submit to the commission an annual report with the following summary information for the previous calendar year:
 - (a) *the total number of generating facilities approved and their associated attributes including resource type, generating capacity, and zip code of generating facility location,*
 - (b) *the total rated generating capacity of generating facilities by resource type,*
 - (c) *for net metering interconnections, the total net excess generation kilowatt-hours received from interconnection customers by month,*
 - (d) *for net metering interconnections, the total amount of excess generation credits in kilowatt hours, and their associated dollar value that have expired at the end of each annualized billing period.*

R746-313. Electrical Service Reliability
R746-313-7. Reporting on Electric Service Reliability.

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(2) Beginning May 1, 2013, **and by May 1 of each succeeding year**, an electric company¹ shall file with the commission a report on electric service reliability for the previous calendar year. The electric company must make electronic copies of the report available to the public upon request and may charge a reasonable cost for requested paper copies.

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(4) For an electric company whose governing authority is not the commission, the report on electric service reliability must contain, at a minimum:
(a) The reliability indices listed in Form 7 - Information on Service Interruptions² based upon the cause codes listed in RUSI730A-119 ; and
(b) A summary of any estimation methods and/or an explanation of any factors used in calculating reliability indices presented in the electric company's report on electric service reliability.

As stated, affected utilities may file the required electrical interconnection and electric service reliability information directly with the PSC. Alternatively, various utilities have been including some of the pertinent information in their annual reports to the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) and this method of submitting the required interconnection/reliability information is acceptable to the PSC.

If you would like to provide feedback to the PSC related to these reporting requirements (for example, whether compliance with these reporting requirements is duplicative or unduly burdensome, suggestions for alternate reporting methods, the availability of data from other public sources, etc.) please do so by September 6, 2019, and reference Docket No. 19-999-01 in your comments.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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¹ UAC R746-313-2(2) defines Electric company as “an electrical corporation or a distribution electrical cooperative that is also a public utility, as defined in Utah Code 54-2-1.”

² UAC R746-313-2(3) defines Form 7 as “(a) Part G of the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service Form 7 Financial and Statistical Report, (b) Part H of the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation Form 7 Financial and Statistical Report, or (c) their equivalents.