

August 17 2006

Public Service Commission of Utah

In Matter of the Application of PacifiCorp  
for Approval of a 2009 Request for Proposals  
for Flexible Resource  
Docket No. 05-035-47

To Whom It May Concern:

Salt Lake City is pleased to have the opportunity to comment on the PacifiCorp's Draft 2012 Request for Proposals (RFP). As Salt Lake City becomes a national and international leader in environmental protection measures, we support industry decisions that will benefit our region economically and improve the natural environment. Our involvement in the RFP process is vital to achieving this goal.

Salt Lake City government is committed to improving regional air quality and slowing global climate change. In 2002, we set a goal in our municipal operations to abide by at least the emissions reductions for the United States as outlined in the Kyoto Protocol. In doing so we committed to a 21010 reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from our 2001 levels by 2012. By 2005, we already achieved 105% of this goal.

The scientific community has recognized that if CO2 levels are not brought under control in the next ten years the most devastating effects of global warming may not be preventable. This will result in catastrophic impacts on the environmental health and economic welfare of our community.

While the recent Request for Proposal addresses the state's increasing need for energy, it fails to adequately address the devastating economic and environmental risks of human-caused global warming. It is with this in mind that Salt Lake City agrees with, and supports the comments submitted by, the Western Resource Advocates on August 16th,

for RPS Docket No. 05-035-47. We strongly disagree with PacifiCorp's selection of pulverized coal units during the 2012-2013 timeframe as utility benchmarks. Recklessly allowing pulverized coal plants to emit an additional 13 million tons of CO2 per year to enter the atmosphere fails to take into account the best interests of our community.

Salt Lake City urges the Public Service Commission to review our comments on the August 2006 Draft Request for Proposal and reject the current RFP until it is revised to include a more complete analysis of the costs, risks and impacts of catastrophic global warming. We urge that the company's procurement decisions be based on strategies that include investment in carbon sequestration and renewable technologies within the bidding process for new facilities.

Sincerely,

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Mayor Ross C. Anderson