

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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In the Matter of the Application of Rocky)
Mountain Power for Authority to Increase its)
Retail Electric Utility Service Rates in Utah)
and for Approval of its Proposed Electric)
Service Schedules and Electric Service)
Regulations)
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ORDER

ISSUED: May 12, 2011

By the Commission:

To ensure an adequate and timely record is developed in this case, we issue this order addressing three issues.

First, to aid in the orderly consideration of potential proposed net power cost adjustments in this matter, the Commission requires each party proposing an adjustment to the results of PacifiCorp's ("Company") production dispatch tool, the GRID model, to provide all relevant changes to inputs and assumptions such that the Commission can replicate the proposed net power cost adjustment. Parties shall provide this information in GRID-compatible (electronic) format. This information shall be submitted as part of each party's relevant pre-filed testimony. Specifically, parties are to provide at least the following:

1. GRID scenario;
2. net power cost report;
3. net power cost report of the revised scenario;
4. net power cost study spreadsheet showing the impacts of the revised scenario;
5. an explanation of the calculations involved in the adjustment with sufficient supporting work papers that Commission staff could replicate the adjustment;
6. a list of the specific fields and/or files within the GRID model which are changed, and the specific manner in which they were changed (for example any and all input files);

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7. all standard or related export files;
8. relevant work papers and supporting documents with all formulas intact for the adjustment;
9. a summary exhibit listing each proposed adjustment, the net effect of each adjustment, and their combined effect, on the net power costs requested by the Company in this case and a reference to the spreadsheets noted above.

Second, we remind parties of our Order dated October 19, 2009, in Docket No. 09-035-23, (“October Order”) wherein we directed the Utah Division of Public Utilities (“Division”), and invited any other party, to respond to the following in rebuttal testimony:

1. Are the continued use of the 2004 Stipulation terms for the development of the Utah revenue requirement in this case in the public interest?
2. Whether there are alternatives, such as the use of the Rolled-In method without the revenue requirement adjustments contained in the 2004 Stipulation terms, which would be just and reasonable in this case.

In Docket No. 09-035-23, in orders dated November 9, 2009, and November 25, 2009, we stayed the October Order, and clarified our order staying the order, respectively, and effectively deferred the required testimony until a subsequent rate change proceeding. In two subsequent rate change proceedings, i.e., Docket Nos. 10-035-13 and 10-035-89, we approved stipulations which calculated Utah’s revenue requirement changes using the Rolled-In interjurisdictional cost allocation method and did not use the interjurisdictional cost allocation mechanisms approved in Docket No. 02-035-04.

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The Company's application for a rate change in this case once again uses the interjurisdictional cost allocation mechanisms approved in Docket No. 02-035-04. Therefore we direct the Division and invite any interested party to address in direct testimony in this case, the questions posed in our October Order.

Third, we encourage all parties to include top sheets in their testimony to ensure we fully understand the implications of any proposed revenue requirement adjustment. An example of a top sheet can be found in the Company's application, Exhibit SRM-3, page 4.6.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 12th day of May, 2011.

/s/ Ted Boyer, Chairman

/s/ Ric Campbell, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard,
Commission Secretary

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