

## **Taxes Applicable to Tooele County**

### **Property Taxes**

Rocky Mountain Power is the largest centrally assessed taxpayer in the State of Utah. For the 2009 assessment year, the company paid \$43.7m in property taxes to 28 Utah counties. Such taxes provide funding for essential local government services. The \$43.7m paid for 2009 represents a \$5.8m, or 15.4%, increase over property taxes paid with respect to the 2008 assessment year. Rocky Mountain Power anticipates that its 2009 property tax payments will rise once again because of new investment in Utah property.

Rocky Mountain Power's 2009 tax payment to Tooele County was \$820,614.16. See accompanying Property Tax Assessment tables.

Because the company's electric utility property is valued on a centralized basis by the Utah State Tax Commission and the Commission's appraisal methodology bundles all of the company's generation, distribution and transmission property together for assessment purposes, it is not possible to precisely estimate the amount of property taxes that will result from the company's planned investment in new transmission property. Nevertheless, it is quite certain that an investment in new transmission assets will lead to higher assessed values which will in turn lead to higher property tax receipts for those communities through which the new transmission property passes.

### **Sales Tax**

The Mona-Oquirrh Project will require several areas along the transmission corridor that will be used for storing and distributing materials, staging equipment, and maintaining a primary location from which the project will be managed. Typical construction of the project this size would require three major construction yards with one of those yards being the primary yard. Several other laydown yards along the transmission line right of way will be used for the temporary storage of materials. It is anticipated that at least one of the three major construction yards will be located within Tooele County along with an estimated 5-8 temporary laydown yards.