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Jeffrey K. Larsen, Vice President Regulation
Rocky Mountain Power
201 South Main, Suite 2300
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

**Re: In the Matter of the Request of Rocky Mountain Power for Major Event Exclusion for the Weather-Related Event that Occurred on November 9 - 12, 2012 – Major Event 31
Docket No. 12-035-115**

Dear Mr. Larsen:

On December 5, 2012, the Public Service Commission received Rocky Mountain Power's (Company) Major Event Report filing requesting major event exclusion for the storm-related event of November 9 – 12, 2012, and indicating the Company will exclude outage information for this event, if approved, from its network performance reporting and from customer guarantee failure payments.

On January 2, 2013, the Utah Division of Public Utilities filed a memorandum detailing its investigation of this event and recommending the Commission approve the Company's application for major event exclusion. The Commission notes the Division's concern, which was eventually resolved after discussions with the Company, pertaining to the calculation of the system average interruption duration index given the substantial number of customers without power before the beginning of the 24-hour period used for the major event day determination. We recommend a discussion of this issue during the next Service Quality Review meeting for the benefit of interested parties.

By this letter, the Commission acknowledges receipt of your filing of December 5, 2012, as well as the Division's recommendation, and approves the November 9 – 12, 2012, weather event as a Major Event. The Commission contemplates no further action in this docket.

If you have further questions or comments, I can be reached by phone at (801) 530-6716 or email at gwiderburg@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
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