

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Voluntary Request of)
Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of) DOCKET NO. 12-035-92
Resource Decision to Construct Selective)
Catalytic Reduction Systems on)
Jim Bridger Units 3 and 4) NOTICE OF
) PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE
)

ISSUED: January 29, 2013

By The Commission:

This matter is before the Commission on the motion of Sierra Club for a stay or continuance of this proceeding, filed January 4, 2013 (“Motion for Stay”). According to Sierra Club, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) recently requested and received an extension of its court-ordered deadline to issue a final BART determination for the Jim Bridger facility, among others. EPA will now issue a newly proposed BART determination by March 29, 2013, with a final rule to follow by September 27, 2013. Sierra Club asserts the Commission and parties should assume EPA will revise significantly its prior draft rule and that this proceeding should be stayed or continued pending EPA’s final BART determination.

On January 7, 2013, Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp which is a Utah public utility (“Company”), filed a memorandum in opposition to the Motion to Stay. The Company maintains Wyoming law requires the Company to construct the selective catalytic reduction (“SCR”) systems at issue in this docket, regardless of EPA’s delay in issuing its final determination. Further, the Company asserts it can only meet the deadlines for construction mandated under Wyoming law if it commences the Jim Bridger SCR project in the Spring of 2013, without construction costs escalating potentially by millions of dollars.

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On January 18, 2013, the Utah Association of Energy Users (“UAE”) filed a memorandum in partial support of the Motion to Stay. UAE recommends the Commission not issue a final order in this matter until after the parties have been given an opportunity to review EPA’s proposed BART determination to be issued March 29, 2013, and to submit to the Commission any pertinent additional information or request for further proceedings.

In light of the diverse positions on the future course of this proceeding expressed in the above-referenced filings, the Commission hereby provides notice of a pre-hearing conference in this matter at which parties may present argument on the three positions expressed in these filings. The prehearing conference will take place on **Wednesday, February 6, 2013, commencing at 9:00 a.m., in Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, Salt Lake City, Utah.** Parties may also file written responses to these filings **no later than Monday, February 4, 2013.**

Individuals wishing to participate in the conference by telephone should contact the Commission two days in advance by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824). Participants attending by telephone should then call the Commission five minutes prior to the hearing to ensure participation.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) should notify the Commission at least three working days prior to the proceeding, using one of the phone numbers listed in the preceding paragraph.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah this 29th day of January, 2013.

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
D#241454

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 29th day of January, 2013, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Pre-Hearing Conference was served upon the following as indicated below:

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