

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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In the Matter of the Proposed Changes to the )  
Schedule 96A Dispatchable Irrigation Load )  
Control Credit Rider Program (the )  
“Dispatchable Program”) and Phasing Out the )  
Schedule 96 Irrigation Load Control Credit )  
Rider Program (the “Schedule Forward )  
Program”) )  
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ORDER

ISSUED: May 16, 2012

By The Commission:

On April 20, 2012, PacifiCorp (“Company”), d/b/a Rocky Mountain Power, filed an application to modify Schedule 96A, the Dispatchable Irrigation Load Control Credit Rider Program (“Dispatchable Program”) and to phase out the Schedule 96 Irrigation Load Control Credit Rider Program (“Schedule Forward Program”). The Company requests an effective date of May 20, 2012.

On April 20, 2012, the Commission issued an Action Request to the Division of Public Utilities (“Division”) for a review of the Company’s application. On May 10, 2012, the Commission received responsive comments from the Division. On May 14, 2012, the Commission received responsive comments from the Office of Consumer Services (“Office”). Both the Division and Office recommend the Company’s proposed modifications to the Program be approved with minor language alterations to the proposed schedules.

The purpose of these programs is to allow the Company to manage customer demand for electricity during the peak summer months by periodically turning off pumps of participating irrigators between the months of June and August. The Company indicates the

proposed changes to the Dispatchable Program will help streamline program administration and delivery, protect system integrity, and will improve program performance. In addition, the Company proposes phasing out the Schedule Forward Program. Regarding this program, the Company indicates that in 2011, only about 2 percent of capacity saved from participating irrigators was attributable to the Schedule Forward Program. The Company argues the amount of resources invested in managing and maintaining this program is disproportionate to the benefits achieved. With the phase out of the Schedule Forward Program, customers will be provided the option to participate in the Dispatchable Program.

The Division concurs with the Company's rationale to phase out the Schedule Forward Program. Likewise, the Division agrees with the Company's proposed change to move the Dispatchable Program's effective period from May 25 through September 15, to June 1 through August 31, but recommends some additional language changes to the tariff. The Division notes the terminology "program effective period" should be used consistently throughout the tariff. The Division recommends all occurrences of the term "irrigation season" should be replaced with "program effective period." According to the Division, the Company agrees with these proposed changes.

In its responsive comments, the Office also recommends the Company further modify the tariff language to ensure the stated program effective period is consistent throughout the tariff sheets. In addition, the Office recommends the Company change the referenced year (listed as 2007) to 2012 in tariff sheet 96.4 Attachment A to reflect the current period, and replace the term "Fixed Monthly Participation Credit" with "Fixed Annual Participation Credit" in sheet 96.1.

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We find the Division's and Office's proposed additional tariff modifications to be reasonable.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

1. The tariff sheets are approved with the changes noted herein with an effective date of May 20, 2012.
2. The Company shall file the appropriate tariff sheets which reflect the decisions made herein.
3. The Division shall review the revised tariff sheets for compliance with this Order.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.

/s/ Ted Boyer, Chairman

/s/ Ric Campbell, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg  
Commission Secretary  
D#225523

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012, a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER, was delivered upon the following as indicated below:

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