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Mr. Ron Allen, Chairman  
Utah Public Service Commission  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Re: Docket #13-035-184

Dear Sir:

After a presentation and some discussion of Rocky Mountain Power's request for a general rate increase and imposition of a fee on individual customers' investment in solar power, the members of the Magna Community Council voted, on July 17, 2014, to ally ourselves with the future and request that the Utah Public Services Commission deny that request.

It is our belief that, since Rocky Mountain Power is essentially a state sanctioned monopoly to which the majority of electricity using citizens of Utah are in thrall, such an increase and such fees would act as a **punishment tax** for their participating in efficient use and conservation of electricity and for their individual utilization of 21st century technology.

We also believe that the current use of fossil fuels, most especially coal, adds to the pollution that threatens the health and well-being of the rate payers, and those rate payers should not be further required to underwrite that threat.

Before any rate increase, we would like to see Rocky Mountain Power provide observable evidence that it has become a 21<sup>st</sup> century corporation by actively investing in and participating in the development of all available forms of renewable energy production and by weaning itself away from reliance on fossil fuel.

To this end, the Magna Community Council respectfully requests that the Utah Public Services Commission reject the current rate increase and solar surcharge proposed by Rocky Mountain Power.

Sincerely,  
Dan Peay, President  
Laura Jo McDermaid, Vice-President  
By Arlene Pattison, Recording Secretary

