



State of Utah
Department of Commerce
Division of Public Utilities

FRANCINE GIANI
Executive Director

THOMAS BRADY
Deputy Director

CHRIS PARKER
Director, Division of Public Utilities

GARY HERBERT.
Governor
SPENCER J. COX
Lieutenant Governor

ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

REDACTED

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director
Artie Powell, Energy Section Manager
Charles Peterson, Technical Consultant
Justin Christensen, Utility Analyst

Date: November 18, 2013

Subject: Docket No. 13-035-186: In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of its Agreement for Electric Service to Additional Customers with Hurricane City, Utah.

RECOMMENDATION: (Approve)

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) approve the Customer Service Agreement between Rocky Mountain Power and Hurricane City.

ISSUE

In an application dated November 8th, 2013, Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) requests that the Commission approve its agreement with Hurricane City (City), whereby the Company and City agree pursuant to Utah Code Annotated § 63G-4-201, 203 and Utah Admin.

Code R746-100-3, that Hurricane City will provide electric service to specified customers (Customer), [REDACTED] which is located outside the municipal boundaries of the City.

DISCUSSION

The recently passed Senate Bill 180 (SB 180) provides a framework for the transfer of customers between an electric corporation and a municipality. SB 180 passed in the 2013 legislative session and effective May 14, 2013, provides a framework for transfer of customers between a municipality that provides electric service and an electric corporation. Specifically, this statute provides a framework for new customers who request service after June 15, 2013.

Contracts under this statute are approved by the Commission.

The Customers are outside Hurricane City's boundary. The City does have facilities within 1000 feet of the new customers compared to 2000 feet from the Company's facilities. This agreement will not affect any other current Rocky Mountain Power Customers.

The agreement between the Company and the City is dated October 29th, 2013.¹ The petition is provided as a convenience to the Customers and is based upon the unique circumstances and conditions associated with the location of the Customer request. Pursuant to Utah Administrative Code Section 10-8-14, the parties have petitioned the Commission for approval of the Agreement.

Conclusion

Given these factors, the Division recommends Commission approval of RMP's agreement with Hurricane City.

¹ September 27, 2013 is the date of the most recent signature on the document.

CC David Taylor, Rocky Mountain Power
Michele Beck, Office of Consumer Services
Cheryl Murray, Office of Consumer Services
Service List