

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of Rocky Mountain Power's
Proposed Revisions to Regulation No. 12,
"Line Extensions"

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DOCKET NO. 13-035-T13
ORDER APPROVING PROPOSED
TARIFF REVISIONS AND NOTICE OF
HEARING CANCELLATION

ISSUED: October 1, 2013

By The Commission:

On September 10, 2013, Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp ("PacifiCorp"), filed Advice No. 13-12 proposing tariff sheets associated with P.S.C.U. No. 49, applicable to electric service within the State of Utah. The purpose of the filing is to propose revisions to PacifiCorp's Electric Service Regulation No. 12, Line Extensions. The proposed revisions, which apply to both residential and non-residential line extensions, extend the refund period for new line extension contributions from five years to ten years and increase the number of refunds available to the original customer from three to four new customers connecting to the line extension.

On September 13, 2013, the Commission issued a Notice of Filing, Comment Period and Hearing, allowing for comments by September 25, 2013, and a hearing to consider the proposed tariff revisions on October 8, 2013. Pursuant to that notice, the Utah Division of Public Utilities ("Division") filed comments on September 24, 2013, recommending approval of PacifiCorp's proposed tariff revisions.

The Division's comments indicate PacifiCorp met with members of the Utah State Legislature and representatives of real estate developers over the last few months, who all agreed

that five years was too short a time for customers and developers to recoup costs from additional customers. The Division's comments further indicate the proposed revisions would also change the amount each additional applicant pays to PacifiCorp to connect to the extension line. The current amount is 25% for each applicant, and the proposed new amount would be 20%. Under the current language, the original customer would receive 75% back if three additional customers connect to the extension. With the proposed language, the original customer would only receive 60% back if three additional customers connect, but would receive 80% back if four additional customers connect to the extension line. The Division notes that although the four additional customers (as opposed to three) may make it more difficult to recover the initial costs of the extension, the additional time potentially allows the original customer or applicant to recover slightly more in the long run.

The Division's comments conclude the proposed tariff revisions are reasonable and therefore the Division recommends the Commission approve PacifiCorp's filing. Based on the Division's recommendation and for other good cause appearing, the proposed tariff sheets included in PacifiCorp's Advice No. 13-12 are approved as filed, effective October 10, 2013.

The Commission originally scheduled a hearing date anticipating possible requests. Absent any comments that hearing is necessary, the hearing previously noticed in the above-entitled matter to be held on **Tuesday, October 8, 2013, beginning at 10:00 a.m. (MDT)** is cancelled.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 1st day of October, 2013.

/s/ Ron Allen, Chairman

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Thad LeVar, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
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Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15, a party may seek agency review or rehearing of this order by filing a request for review or rehearing with the Commission within 30 days after the issuance of the order. Responses to a request for agency review or rehearing must be filed within 15 days of the filing of the request for review or rehearing. If the Commission fails to grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of a request for review or rehearing, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the Commission's final agency action may be obtained by filing a Petition for Review with the Utah Supreme Court within 30 days after final agency action. Any Petition for Review must comply with the requirements of Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-401, 63G-4-403, and the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on the 1st day of October, 2013, a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER APPROVING PROPOSED TARIFF REVISIONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING CANCELLATION was served upon the following as indicated below:

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