

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Investigation of the
Costs and Benefits of PacifiCorp's Net
Metering Program

DOCKET NO. 14-035-114

SCHEDULING ORDER AND
NOTICES OF HEARING AND
PUBLIC WITNESS HEARING

ISSUED: November 18, 2016

Pursuant to the Notice of Scheduling Conference the Commission issued on November 9, 2016, the Commission held a scheduling conference in this docket on November 17, 2016 to set a schedule and hearing dates with respect to the adjudication of PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power's ("PacifiCorp") Compliance Filing and Request to Complete All Analyses Required under the Net Metering Statute for the Evaluation of the Net Metering Program ("Request"). The scheduling conference was well attended with the following participating in person or by telephone: PacifiCorp, the Division of Public Utilities ("Division"), the Office of Consumer Services ("Office"), the parties who have previously been granted intervention in this docket ("Intervenors") and numerous other stakeholders and concerned citizens.

PacifiCorp proposed a schedule with motion practice to commence by December 20, 2016, motions to be fully briefed by January 26, 2017, and direct written testimony to be filed by March 30, 2017 with a hearing date to be set the week of June 5, 2017. The Office proposed an alternative schedule, arguing the motion practice will present threshold issues, and the Office will be able to more efficiently and effectively deploy its resources if the Commission hears and decides potentially dispositive motions further in advance of requiring direct written testimony. The Office concurred with PacifiCorp's proposed schedule for dispositive motions and suggested an alternative schedule thereafter with direct written testimony due by June 8, 2017 and a hearing

to be set the week of August 14, 2017. The Intervenors generally agreed with the Office, reiterated its arguments concerning the efficient use of their limited resources and supported the Office's proposed schedule. The Division represented it could accommodate either proposed schedule and that it was neutral as to which the Commission adopts. All parties stipulated to a December 20, 2016 intervention deadline with respect to participating in the adjudication of PacifiCorp's Request and to turnaround times with respect to data requests as outlined below.

In advocating for its proposed schedule, PacifiCorp emphasized its Request is the latest iteration of a process that it commenced in 2014 and that its proposed schedule gives the parties ample time to prepare for hearing. The Commission recognizes PacifiCorp's interest in bringing this docket to a conclusion. The Commission also recognizes the complexity of PacifiCorp's filing and the Office's and Intervenors' interests in utilizing their resources effectively and efficiently in responding to the Request. The Commission believes the Office's proposed schedule is a relatively modest extension of the schedule PacifiCorp proposed and that it is reasonable to address potentially dispositive legal issues before requiring the parties to expend significant resources preparing for hearing. Accordingly, the Commission adopts the Office's proposed schedule as detailed below:

SCHEDULE

ITEM	DEADLINE/DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Dispositive Motions Due	Tuesday, December 20, 2016
Deadline to Intervene	Tuesday, December 20, 2016
Responses to Dispositive Motions Due	Thursday, January 12, 2017

Replies in Support of Dispositive Motions Due	Thursday, January 26, 2017
Placeholder Date for Potential Technical Conference ¹	Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. (MDT), Fourth Floor Room 401, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah
Direct Written Testimony Due	Thursday, June 8, 2017
Rebuttal Written Testimony Due	Tuesday, July 18, 2017
Surrebuttal Written Testimony Due	Tuesday, August 8, 2017
Public Witness Hearing	Wednesday, August 9, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. (MDT), Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah
Hearing	Monday to Friday, August 14, 2017 through August 18, 2017, beginning each day at 9:00 a.m. (MDT), Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah *The Commission acknowledges the hearing may not require the full week but parties should reserve the week on their respective calendars in the event that it does.

¹ The parties did not stipulate to the holding of a technical conference or agree, at this time, that a technical conference would be beneficial or necessary. However, on the Division's recommendation, the parties agreed to establishing a placeholder date in the schedule for holding such a conference after motion practice and before filing of direct written testimony. If the parties ultimately agree a technical conference should take place, the Division or another party must provide notice to the Commission no later than May 4, 2017, in which case the Commission will issue a Notice of Technical Conference. Unless the Commission receives such notice or a request to schedule a technical conference on an alternative date, no technical conference will take place.

DISCOVERY AND FILINGS

Parties shall respond to requests for data or discovery within 21 calendar days of receipt until June 8, 2017, parties shall respond to such requests within 14 calendar days thereafter until July 18, 2017 and shall respond within seven days thereafter through August 8, 2017. Parties shall serve copies of all filings on other parties by electronic mail at or before the time an electronic copy of the document is filed with the Commission. In the event a document filed with the Commission or produced in response to a discovery request cannot reasonably be transmitted by electronic mail, the party filing the document shall file an electronic copy of the document on CD (or, if an electronic copy is not available, a paper copy) with the Commission by hand delivery and shall serve an electronic copy of the document on CD (or, if an electronic copy is not available, a paper copy) on each applicable party by hand delivery if the party being served is in the same metropolitan area as the serving party, or by overnight courier if the party being served is located in a different metropolitan area from the serving party.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WITNESS HEARING

The Commission will conduct a Public Witness Hearing in this docket on **Wednesday, August 9, 2017, beginning at 2:00 p.m. (MDT), Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.** The Public Witness Hearing will continue until all present individuals have had a reasonable opportunity to address the Commission. Individuals planning to address the Commission at the Public Witness Hearing must be present by 5:30 p.m. (MDT).

The Commission may limit remarks that are unduly repetitious at the Public Witness Hearing. The Commission desires to provide an opportunity for all individuals who desire to speak to do so. As such, the Commission may limit the length of individuals' remarks. Any individual wishing to present a statement of position to the Commission that is unable to do so during the Public Witness Hearing may file a written statement of position with the Commission at its office, Fourth Floor, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 in person, by mail, by electronic mail to psc@utah.gov, or by facsimile to 801-530-6796. Please indicate that the statement pertains to Docket No. 14-035-114.

Individuals wishing to participate in the Public Witness Hearing 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) to receive a bridge number and participant passcode. Participants attending by telephone should then call the bridge number five minutes before the Public Witness Hearing, entering the passcode followed by the # sign to ensure participation.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during the public witness hearing should notify the Commission at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the public witness hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Commission will conduct a hearing **August 14-18, 2017, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (MDT) each day of the hearing.** The hearing will be held in the **Fourth Floor Hearing Room 403, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.** All parties must have their witnesses in attendance and prepared to testify.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, November 18, 2016.

/s/ Michael J. Hammer
Presiding Officer

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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