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Public Comment to Docket No. 15-035-04

1 message

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Thu, Aug 27, 2015 at 4:54 PM

Aug 27, 2015

Utah Public Service Commission

Dear Service Commission,

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This is likely to be a bad investment with changes required under the Clean Power Plan, or with any alternative proposal to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

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1 message

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Utah Public Service Commission

Dear Service Commission,

Fossil fuel consumption is destroying our climate and polluting the air we breathe. We of the public know this and want to free us from our addiction to coal, oil, and gas. Powerful corporate interests, such as PacifiCorp, like drug dealers, are opposed to reform. That is why we need the Public Service Commission to look out for the interest of the public. Health and climate costs must be estimated in considering the real impacts of fossil fuel consumption. They can't be quantified down to the cent, but even the most conservative cost estimates are enough to tell us it is urgent that we turn to cleaner sources of power.

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Thu, Aug 27, 2015 at 1:22 AM

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Sincerely,

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Dear Service Commission,

I am concerned that Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP's) Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) does not adequately consider the potential impacts of a carbon tax. The evaluations performed under the C14 scenario (C14-1, C14-2, C14a-1, and C14a-2) assumed a price on carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions of \$22/ton starting in 2020 rising to \$76/ton by 2034.

However, one prominent proposal

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<http://dv7gcmvxe5e8l.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/The-Economic-Climate-Fiscal-Power-and-Demographic-Impact-of-a-National-Fee-and-Dividend-Carbon-Tax-6.9.14.pdf>)

would begin with a CO₂ emission price of \$15/ton increasing by \$10/ton/year until U.S. CO₂ emissions were reduced 90% relative to 1990 levels. Under this proposal, the price of CO₂ emissions after 20 years would be \$205/ton. The effects of this proposal should be included in the risk assessment/stochastic analysis.

The principal methods of mitigating CO₂ emissions under the IRP preferred portfolio are demand-side management (DSM), replacing coal-fired generation with natural gas, and front office transactions (FOTs; i.e., short-term market purchases). While DSM would increase under an aggressive carbon pricing arrangement, FOTs could become unavailable. Having in-house clean (non-CO₂ producing) energy sources is a way of mitigating the potentially very large price increases that would accompany an aggressive CO₂ pricing scheme. Note that while the IRP indicates that the final strategy can be changed (and presumably would if the price of CO₂ emissions could reach \$200/ton), Rocky Mountain Power would not be the only utility suddenly wanting to expand solar/wind/nuclear capacity. Materials for these clean power sources might suddenly become difficult to procure and/or be much more expensive.

The IRP should not automatically select the energy portfolio that projects to be the lowest cost over the long term. Protecting against a scenario that would engender major price increases, even if these increases are considered unlikely, is a legitimate objective. In fact, it can be considered a hedging strategy, similar to that which RMP engages in to protect against spikes in the cost of coal or natural gas. Replacing some coal-fired generation with wind/solar/nuclear could very well be a prudent action. I say "very well" because how sensible this is depends on the outcome of the revised stochastic risk analysis.

I request that the IRP include a scenario whereby the price of CO2 emissions starts at \$15/ton and increases by \$10/ton for 20 years, and that the results of this scenario be included in determining the preferred energy portfolio.

Sincerely,

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1 message

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1 message

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Reagan took out the solar panels carter put in. Carter for gods sake. and you are still deciding if we could leave ourselves to coal and oil? Thank goodness Obama put them back on the white house. Shame on you.

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Wed, Aug 26, 2015 at 10:07 PM

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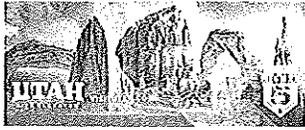
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Dear Service Commission,

Utah gets nearly 80% of its electricity from fossil fuel-based sources. We know that burning these fuels results in the emission of CO₂, NO_x and SO_x gases, all of which have negative effects on our air quality and our health. In addition, the effects of CO₂ and methane on global warming are another major concern. I believe it is time to transition to clean energy by investing in abundant and affordable renewable energy sources and I urge the Commission to require PacifiCorp to begin this transition now rather than waste millions of dollars propping up aging coal plants and continuing to pollute the air we breathe.

Sincerely
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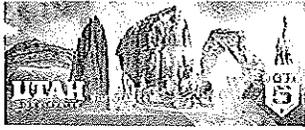
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