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Utah Public Service Commission  
Heber M. Wells Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Attn: Gary Widerburg  
Commission Secretary

Re: **Docket No. 03-035-14 – Quarterly Compliance Filing – 2015.Q1 Avoided Cost Input Changes**

PacifiCorp (dba Rocky Mountain Power) hereby respectfully submits an original and ten copies of its quarterly Schedule 38 compliance filing. An electronic copy of this filing will be provided to [psc@utah.gov](mailto:psc@utah.gov).

Commission orders dated October 31, 2005, and February 2, 2006, in Docket No. 03-035-14 require the Company to keep a record of any changes, including data inputs, made to the Proxy and GRID models used in calculating avoided costs. The orders further require the Company to notify the Commission and Division of Public Utilities of updates made to the models used in the approved Proxy and Partial Displacement Differential Revenue Requirement (“PDDRR”) avoided cost methodologies.

This filing reports changes since the Company’s 2014.Q4 Quarterly Compliance Filing dated February 13, 2014. Noteworthy changes include use of the 2015 Integrated Resource Plan (“2015 IRP”) as the primary source of study inputs, updates for the Company’s latest official forward price curve and the queue of signed and potential qualifying facilities (“QFs”),

Additional detail is provided below:

1. **GRID Model Data Updates**

A number of data and modeling assumption updates have occurred in the GRID model since the last filing. **Appendix A** provides a summary of those updates.

2. **Proxy / Partial Displacement Differential Revenue Requirement  
Avoided Cost Methodology**

The Proxy used in the PDDRR avoided cost methodology is consistent with the Company’s 2015 IRP filed with the Commission on March 31, 2015. During the period 2015 through

2033 the proxy will be third quarter heavy load hour only front office transactions. Starting January 2034 the proxy will be a 635 MW combined cycle combustion turbine (“CCCT”).

**3. Impact to Avoided Cost Prices (\$/MWh)**

Provided as **Appendix B** is a \$/MWh impact study of the above mentioned updates, together with a comparison to the last filing. The updates reflect a total decrease of approximately \$3.80/MWh on a 20-year nominal levelized basis. Avoided costs presented in **Appendix B** were calculated assuming a 100 MW 85% capacity factor QF resource.

**4. Major Changes from the Prior Study**

Provided as **Appendix C** is a \$/MWh step impact study of the major changes from the prior study. The most significant changes since the 2014.Q4 study include the update to the queue of signed and potential QFs, the use of the 2015 IRP, and the update to the Company's latest official forward price curve. Also provided in **Appendix C** is the incremental impact of each change from the prior step.

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Very truly yours,

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