

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Authority to Revise Rates in Tariff Schedule 98, Renewable Energy Credits Balancing Account

DOCKET NO. 16-035-10
ORDER ESTABLISHING FINAL
RATES

ISSUED: August 26, 2016

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On March 15, 2016, PacifiCorp, doing business as Rocky Mountain Power (“PacifiCorp”), filed an application (“Application”) requesting approval to revise the collection rates for the Renewable Energy Credits (“REC”) Balancing Account (“RBA”) in its P.S.C.U. No. 50 Electric Service Schedule No. 98, “REC Revenue Adjustment” (“Schedule 98”). PacifiCorp’s Application sought a \$1.351 million, approximately 0.07 percent, net decrease of revenues collected under Schedule 98 and an effective date of June 1, 2016 for the change.

After a publicly noticed period for comment, the Commission’s designated Presiding Officer conducted a hearing on the Application on May 13, 2016. In addition to PacifiCorp, the Division of Public Utilities (“Division”) and the Office of Consumer Services (“Office”) participated in the hearing. The Commission issued an order on May 20, 2016 (“May Order”), approving the Application and the attendant rates on an interim basis, effective June 1, 2016, subject to the Commission’s power to order a refund or surcharge following final review of the Division’s audit and any associated comments.

On July 7, 2016, the Division filed its audit report (“Audit Report”), wherein the Division represents it found nothing in the course of its audit suggesting the interim rates adopted in the May Order should be changed or modified. The Division represents PacifiCorp appears to be in compliance with regulatory and reporting requirements and that the interim rates appear to be in the public interest and should, therefore, be made final.

On August 4, 2016, the Office filed comments on the Audit Report. The Office represents it identified “a few very minor discrepancies which have an immaterial impact” on rates.¹ Accordingly, the Office recommends the Commission approve the previously authorized interim rates and rate spread as final.

ORDER

Based on PacifiCorp’s Application, the Audit Report, the Division and the Office’s respective recommendations and all of the evidence adduced prior to and in connection with the May Order, the Commission approves as final the interim rates the Commission approved in its May Order.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, August 26, 2016.

/s/ Michael J. Hammer
Presiding Officer

¹ Comments from the Office of Consumer Services at 2, filed August 4, 2016.

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Approved and Confirmed August 26, 2016, as the Order of the Public Service Commission of Utah.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

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

Pursuant to §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15 of the Utah Code, an aggrieved party may request agency review or rehearing of this Order by filing a written request with the Commission within 30 days after the issuance of this 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 does not grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of the request, 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 §§ 63G-4-401 and 63G-4-403 of the Utah Code and Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on August 26, 2016, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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