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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER TO IMPLEMENT
PROGRAMS AUTHORIZED BY THE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY PLAN ACT

Docket No. 16-035-36

Comments of Town of Castle Valley

Town of Castle Valley ("TCV") submits these comments in accordance with Utah Admin. Code R746-1-203 and the August 18, 2017 Notice of Filing and Comment Period of the Utah Public Service Commission ("Commission").

Instead of repeating them, TCV would like to go on record as supporting the comments of Western Resource Advocates submitted September 13, 2017. Specifically, TCV supports their four recommendations:

- 1) Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) should add the study of hybrid smart inverters to the Smart Inverter Program.
- 2) RMP should contemplate a customer-sited field trial of smart inverters as a second phase to the Smart Inverter Program.
- 3) RMP should consider testing a production-scale microgrid project as a second phase to the Microgrid Program.
- 4) The Commission should consider opening a new docket in the first quarter of 2019 to amend interconnection rules and policies to take best advantage of smart inverters and microgrids.

Additionally, TCV would like to offer up that we are a perfect location for RMP phase 2 testing. TCV is located on the longest cul-de-sac power line in Utah and possibly the Lower-48. TCV often experiences power outages due to weather and capacity issues. Demand continues to

grow as the build-out, currently around 60%, continues and due to two large resorts a bit further out the line on the Colorado River.

In conclusion, TCV supports the four recommendations above presented by Western Resource Advocates and is interested in being a pilot community for a pilot microgrid project.

Respectfully submitted,

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