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Re: *In the Matter of Rocky Mountain Power's Proposed Revisions to Electric Service Schedule No. 110, New Homes Program, and Schedule No. 111, Home Energy Savings Program; Docket No. 16-035-T13*

Dear Mr. Lively,

The PSC reviewed PacifiCorp's November 1, 2016 filing, proposing changes to its New Homes and Home Energy Savings Programs administered through Electric Service Schedule Nos. 110 and 111, respectively. Included in PacifiCorp's filing are proposed revisions to Index Sheet No. B.1 and Sheet Nos. 111.1 through 111.6, and the cancellation of Sheet Nos. 110.1, 110.2, 110.3, and 111.7, each with an effective date of December 1, 2016.

In addition, the PSC reviewed the November 16, 2016 comments filed by the Division of Public Utilities (Division) and the Office of Consumer Services (Office), the November 17, 2016 comments of Utah Clean Energy (UCE), as well as PacifiCorp's November 23, 2016 reply comments, which included a revision to Sheet No. 111.6.

The Division recommends the PSC approve cancellation of PacifiCorp's New Homes Program in Electric Service Schedule No. 110 and the proposed revisions to Schedule No. 111, noting that the PSC should require PacifiCorp to remove the Notes for Table 6; in particular, that Table 6 – Insulation Incentives are available through Questar Gas Company (Questar), because PSC approval has not yet been granted to Questar in the pending Weatherization Pilot Program docket, Docket No. 16-057-15 (Questar's Pilot Program Docket).

The Office generally concurs, recommending the PSC approve PacifiCorp's proposal to combine Schedule Nos. 110 and 111. However, the Office recommends the PSC reject Sheet No. 111.6 based on an incomplete process and a not yet approved program in Questar's Pilot Program Docket that is, presently, non-existent and, if approved in this docket, might be interpreted as prejudicial inasmuch as a final order has not yet issued in Questar's Pilot Program Docket.

UCE supports combining the New Homes program measures into the combined *watt*smart Homes program to improve cost effectiveness and simplify residential program offerings. Additionally, UCE supports the new tiered whole home energy performance measures based on the Home Energy Rating System (HERS). UCE recommends PacifiCorp incorporate national quality assurance standards as developed by RESNET¹ into the new construction program, work with representatives of the real estate industry to widely publicize the specific HERS Ratings of each home participating in the program, and retain the whole-house ducted evaporative cooling measures.

In its reply comments, PacifiCorp agrees with the Division's and the Office's recommendations to remove the note under Table 6 – Insulation Incentives on Sheet No. 111.6. To that end, PacifiCorp included a revised Sheet No. 111.6. PacifiCorp concurs that the amount of time for post-purchase application submissions will remain at 180 days.

In response to UCE's comments, PacifiCorp notes that 1) it intends to require RESNET quality assurance standards for new home construction and, 2) the new construction program has worked with the real estate industry in the past to help raise awareness of Energy Star certifications. However, according to PacifiCorp, there are "multiple" Multiple Listing Services throughout the state that are not within its control; thus, its ability to influence the posting of this information on the MLS services statewide is, at the very least, limited. Regarding UCE's recommendation to retain the whole-house ducted evaporative cooler incentives, PacifiCorp believes that given the low participation, high cost per kilowatt hour saved, and the reported savings are the same among premium units, it is prudent to remove the whole-house ducted offering from Schedule 111 rather than retain it and spend additional funds marketing specifically towards whole-house ducted measures.

The PSC agrees with PacifiCorp that the issues and barriers involved in posting HERS ratings on multiple listing services are out of its control and should not be a program requirement. The Commission also agrees that it is prudent to remove the whole-house ducted offering from Schedule 111 based on PacifiCorp's rationale and supporting documentation.

Based on the PSC's review of PacifiCorp's filings, the Division's, the Office's, and UCE's recommendations, PacifiCorp's reply comments, the PSC approves the revisions to Index Sheet No. B.1, Sheet Nos. 111.1 through 111.5, the cancellation of Sheet Nos. 110.1, 110.2, 110.3, and 111.7 as filed on November 1, 2016, and the revision to Sheet No. 111.6 as filed on November 23, 2016, effective December 1, 2016.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary

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¹ Residential Energy Service Network (RESNET) is the body that oversees implementation of HERS Ratings nationally.