Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of the Pole Attachment Agreement between Rocky Mountain Power and Verizon Wireless (VAW) LLC, d/b/a Verizon Wireless

# DOCKET NO. 18-035-13 ORDER

ISSUED: June 12, 2018

On April 24, 2018, PacifiCorp, doing business as Rocky Mountain Power, submitted an application ("Application") seeking approval of a pole attachment agreement ("Agreement") with Verizon Wireless (VAW) LLC, d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon"). On April 24, 2018, the Public Service Commission ("PSC") issued a Notice of Filing and Comment Period, allowing interested parties to submit comments on or before May 24, 2018 and reply comments on or before June 8, 2018. On May 24, 2018, the Division of Public Utilities ("DPU") submitted comments on the Agreement. No party filed reply comments.

The Application explains the Agreement between PacifiCorp and Verizon is non-reciprocal and deviates in some respects from the standard contract the PSC approved on November 21, 2012, commonly referred to as the "Safe Harbor Agreement." The Application notes Utah Admin. Code R746-345-3(B)(1) allows parties to voluntarily negotiate alternative terms, subject to PSC approval.

In its comments, the DPU enumerates what it terms are the substantive deviations in the Agreement as compared to the approved Safe Harbor Agreement. The DPU states the Agreement is the result of voluntary negotiations between PacifiCorp and Verizon, and represents it will allow Verizon to attach equipment (such as antennas and small cells as detailed in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See In the Matter of the Consolidated Applications of Rocky Mountain Power for Approval of Standard Reciprocal and Non-Reciprocal Pole Attachment Agreements (Report and Order, issued November 21, 2012), Docket No. 10-035-97.

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Agreement) to PacifiCorp's poles in Utah and conduct its business in a number of areas within

the state of Utah. The DPU states the changes to the Safe Harbor Agreement were made in order

to add, expand, or specify negotiated terms and conditions between PacifiCorp and Verizon. The

DPU concludes the terms and conditions in the Agreement are reasonable and conform to R746-

345-3(A). The DPU recommends the PSC approve the Agreement.

ORDER

Having reviewed PacifiCorp's Application, the Agreement at issue, the DPU's comments,

and there being no opposition to the Application, the PSC finds approval of the Application to be

just, reasonable, and in the public interest. Therefore, we approve the Application.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, June 12, 2018.

/s/ Michael J. Hammer

**Presiding Officer** 

Approved and Confirmed June 12, 2018, 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 PSC Secretary

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# Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15, a party may seek agency review or rehearing of this order by filing a request for review or rehearing with the PSC within 30 days after the issuance of this written 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 PSC fails to grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of a request for review or rehearing, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the PSC'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 Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-401, 63G-4-403, and the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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