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# Support more energy savings, not less, on Docket No. 18-035-27

1 message

Miguel Knochel <miguelknochel@yahoo.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Sun, Nov 11, 2018 at 6:46 AM

Dear PSC,

As a pediatrician at Utah's children's hospital, caring for infants and children hospitalized with bronchiolitis and asthma, I am writing to urge you to support more electricity savings, not less, on Docket 18-035-27.

Air pollution contributes to preterm births, newborn deaths, and health problems in children such as respiratory infections, new asthma diagnoses, and asthma exacerbations. Utah has a severe air pollution problem.

Of the many ways Utah needs to tackle our air pollution problem, reducing energy waste is the easiest. Therefore it was a great disappointment to learn that Rocky Mountain Power is proposing a significant reduction in the level of energy saved in Utah by 20% in 2019 compared with 2017, with future projections of even less energy saved. We should have progress in this area, not regression. We need to save more energy, not less, to reduce the amount of coal burned.

When I am on service at the children's hospital taking care of sick children with respiratory infections and asthma all winter, it would be a great disappointment to me and to their parents to know that despite ever-worsening and literally sickening air, the utility is planning to worsen Utah's electricity stewardship and lose the progress we've made, leading to more coal burned and even more air pollution.

In summary, as a father, and as a pediatrician, I support more electricity savings, not less, on Docket 18-035-27. I also support future decisions and incentives that would increase Utah's use of solar and wind energy over fossil fuels, reduce industrial and vehicle emissions, reduce energy waste, and increase use of public transit over private vehicles.

Sincerely, Miguel Knochel MD



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### Docket 18-035-27 comment

1 message

Sharen Hauri <hauriortman@mac.com> To: psc@utah.gov

Sun, Nov 11, 2018 at 12:33 PM

I am writing to comment on the Utah Public Service Commission Docket pertaining to our power utility provider and targets for energy conservation.

I am opposed to the RMP plan that requests a reduction in energy conservation goals over the coming decades. It is a step in the wrong direction and a slap in the face for anyone working to create a higher quality of life and safer, cleaner future for Utah.

I have eagerly and gladly participated in RMP programs for solar power installation, energy conservation in my home, and purchasing credits through the Blue Sky program. I have also been the beneficiary of Blue Sky grants through my work at a local municipality. I have been disappointed by the lack of opportunity to do more. I wished to participate in the group power purchase into renewable energy sources because I was already a net metering customer.

It is frustrating to see limitations on how much a private citizen can do to choose their energy source and actively work to be a part of the solution, not a source of the problem.

We need to expand these opportunities to increase renewable energy use and energy conservation measures that are tied to it. RMP consistently pushes back on efforts to clean up our power sources. The easiest source of all is conservation- putting it onto willing customers who care, as I do, about clean air, low energy costs, and opportunities to make changes in lifestyle to benefit our children's future.

Please show leadership in expanding the role and responsibility of our utility for energy conservation. We cannot afford a step in the wrong direction at this critical time in our community, as we face the challenges of growth and pressures on our environment like we have never seen before.

Thank you for your consideration, Sharen Hauri and a Trevor Ortman

Sent from my iPhone



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## Docket No. 18-035-27 - Public comment

1 message

H Scott <scottrosenbush@gmail.com> To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Sun, Nov 11, 2018 at 7:59 PM

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to urge you to reject a request by Rocky Mountain Power to significantly reduce energy savings in Docket No. 18-035-27. The request from RMP targets an energy savings reduction of 20% compared to the savings achieved in 2017.

While they may have harvested the 'low hanging fruit' there is much more that can be done - especially with the explosion in population that is moving to Utah in the coming decades. I recognize that sometime in the future there will likely be a declining 'return on investment' but we certainly have not reached this point yet.

I ask that you direct RMP to continue to increase energy savings going forward and reject their request to reduce this amount.

Sincerely,

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