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December 20, 2018

Ms. Jana Saba Rocky Mountain Power 1407 West North Temple, Suite 330 Salt Lake City, UT 84116 Data Request Response Center PacifiCorp 825 NE Multnomah St., Suite 2000 Portland, OR 97232

Re: Rocky Mountain Power's Semi-Annual Demand-Side Management Forecast Reports; Docket No. 18-035-27

Dear Ms. Saba:

The Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) reviewed the Annual Demand-Side Management (DSM) Deferred Account and Forecast Report for 2018 (Report) filed by PacifiCorp on November 1, 2018. The PSC also reviewed the December 3, 2018 comments of the Utah Division of Public Utilities (DPU), the Office of Consumer Services (OCS), and Utah Clean Energy (UCE), the November 7 and 13, 2018 comments from members of the general public, and PacifiCorp's December 18, 2018 reply comments.

The DPU recommends the PSC acknowledge the Report as complying with previous PSC orders in Docket Nos. 09-035-T08, 10-035-57, and 13-035-136. The OCS recommends the PSC acknowledge the Report as meeting the PSC's requirements.

UCE reiterates its concern filed earlier in this docket regarding PacifiCorp's declining energy savings projections and the treatment of the DSM levels identified in the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) as a ceiling beyond which cost-effective DSM is not being pursued. UCE states it will continue to work with PacifiCorp and other DSM Steering Committee members to identify the appropriate forum for this discussion.

Comments from members of the public support PacifiCorp achieving higher levels of DSM savings.

In reply, PacifiCorp asserts that the IRP determines the levels of DSM acquisition as a lowest-cost resource; thus, the IRP process is an appropriate forum for UCE to discuss energy

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savings levels and to address concerns with IRP recommendations. PacifiCorp further states that the pursuit of cost-effective DSM beyond the IRP recommended levels has been discussed on multiple occasions during DSM Steering Committee meetings in which UCE has participated. PacifiCorp explains its resource planning guiding principle is the acquisition of IRP-prescribed energy savings amounts that pass industry standard cost-effectiveness testing and its intent is to manage the DSM portfolio accordingly.

Based on the PSC's review of the Report, the DPU's and the OCS's comments and recommendations, and considering the comments of UCE and the public, the PSC acknowledges the Report as complying with the relevant reporting requirements.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary DW#305946