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ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

To: Utah Public Service Commission

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities
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Date: July 15, 2019

Re: **Acknowledge, Docket No. 19-035-27** – Rocky Mountain Power’s Annual Cost of Service Study - 2018.

Recommendation (Acknowledge)

The Division of Public Utilities (“Division”) recommends that the Commission acknowledge Rocky Mountain Power’s (“RMP” or “Company”) 2018 Annual Cost of Service Study filed with the Commission on June 14, 2019.

Issue

On June 14, 2019, RMP filed with the Commission its Class Cost of Service Study (“2018 COSS”) based on annual Results of Operations for 2018. On June 17, 2019, the Commission issued an Action Request to the Division asking the Division to review the Company’s filing for compliance and to make recommendations. The Commission asked the Division to report its findings and recommendations by July 15, 2019. This memorandum represents the Division’s response to the Commission’s Action Request.

Discussion

The Commission's letter dated May 29, 2014 in Docket No. 14-999-01, required RMP to file the annual cost of service study within 45 days of filing the year-end semi-annual financial results of operations. In compliance with the Commission's letter, RMP filed its 2018 COSS on June 14, 2019. The Division reviewed the Company's 2018 COSS model and compared it with the Company's 2017 COSS, which was filed with the Commission about one year earlier on June 15, 2018.

The Division determined that the 2018 COSS is the same as the 2017 COSS, updated for the end of year 2018 results of operations, and was filed within the required 45 days of filing the 2018 year-end semiannual financial results of operations filed with the Commission on April 30, 2019. Therefore, the Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge RMP's 2018 COSS.

CC: Jana Saba, RMP
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