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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

**Application of Rocky Mountain Power for
Approval of the 2020 Inter-Jurisdictional Cost
Allocation Agreement**

Docket No. 19-035-42
**DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES’
COMMENTS SUPPORTING A FULLY
TELEPHONIC HEARING**

On March 13, 2019, the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) requested comments regarding whether the scheduled March 24, 2019 hearing in this docket is necessary or, in the alternative, whether a fully telephonic hearing is appropriate. The Division of Public Utilities (Division) submits these comments in support of a fully telephonic hearing.

Giving notice and an opportunity to participate in a hearing have often been considered the hallmarks of due process. When the government is urging people to minimize exposure to and transmission of COVID-19, a fully telephonic hearing is a reasonable and prudent course of action.

Additionally, a fully telephonic hearing will allow the Commission to have sworn and admitted testimony upon which to base its decision. The Commission will have the opportunity

to ask the witnesses questions and to seek clarification if desired. Similarly, witnesses will be available for cross examination.

Submitted this 16th day of March 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on March 16, 2020, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing to be filed with the Public Service Commission and served by the Utah Division of Public Utilities to the following in Utah Docket 19-035-42 as indicated below:

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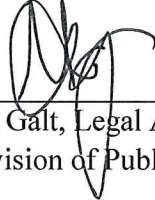
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