

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Authority to Increase its Retail Electric Utility Service Rates in Utah and for Approval of its Proposed Electric Service Schedules and Electric Service Regulations	<u>DOCKET NO. 20-035-04</u>
Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Authority to Change its Depreciation Rates Effective January 1, 2021	<u>DOCKET NO. 18-035-36</u> <u>ORDER GRANTING MOTION, AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER, AND AMENDED NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC HEARINGS</u>

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ISSUED: October 21, 2020

On June 9, 2020, the Public Service Commission (PSC) issued a Scheduling Order, Notice of Technical Conferences, Notice of Hearings, and Notice of Public Witness Hearing (“Scheduling Order”) in these dockets. The Scheduling Order enumerated multiple filing deadlines, established various phases in Docket No. 20-035-04 (“GRC Docket”) and Phase II in Docket No. 18-035-36 (“Depreciation Docket”), and set hearing dates in both dockets.

On October 19, 2020, Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) submitted an Unopposed Motion to Consolidate the Hearing on Phase II of Docket No. 18-035-36 with Docket No. 20-035-04 (“Motion”). RMP requests the PSC vacate the hearing set for November 2, 2020 in the Depreciation Docket and to consolidate that hearing with the hearing set for November 3 through November 6, 2020 on Phase I - Revenue Requirement in the GRC Docket. RMP asserts “[t]he issues presented in both proceedings are materially similar, if not identical, and the parties do not believe there will be a material impact on the length of the revenue requirement hearing as a result of the consolidation.”<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Motion at 1.

RMP states counsel for the Division of Public Utilities, the Office of Consumer Services, the Utah Association of Energy Users, Western Resource Advocates, and Utah Clean Energy have reviewed the Motion and support it. Good cause appearing, the Motion is granted and the November 2, 2020 hearing in the Depreciation Docket is vacated. The amended schedule in these dockets shall be as follows:

***PHASE I – GRC Docket***

AMENDED PHASE I SCHEDULE – COST OF CAPITAL

ITEM	DEADLINE/DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Electronic hearing	<p><b>Thursday, October 29, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m. via Google Meet.</b> <b><u>NOTE: Parties should also reserve Friday, October 30, 2020, in the event the hearing does not conclude on October 29, 2020.</u></b></p> <p><b>The Google Meet connection information will be emailed to attorneys who have made an appearance in the GRC Docket. The live stream can be viewed on the PSC YouTube channel, which is available by link from the PSC website.</b></p>

AMENDED PHASE I SCHEDULE – REVENUE REQUIREMENT

ITEM	DEADLINE/DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Surrebuttal testimony	<b>Thursday, October 29, 2020</b>
Electronic consolidated hearing with Phase II of the Depreciation Docket	<b>Tuesday, November 3, 2020, through Friday, November 6, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m. each day of the hearing via Google Meet.</b>  <b>The Google Meet connection information will be emailed to attorneys who have made an appearance in the GRC Docket and the Depreciation Docket. The live stream can be viewed on the PSC YouTube channel, which is available by link from the PSC website.</b>
Electronic public witness hearing	<b>Tuesday, November 3, 2020, beginning at 5:00 p.m. via Google Meet.</b>  <b>The Google Meet connection information will be emailed to attorneys who have made an appearance in the GRC Docket as well as members of the public who have requested to speak at the public witness hearing. The live stream can be viewed on the PSC YouTube channel, which is available by link from the PSC website.</b>

***PHASE II – GRC Docket***

AMENDED PHASE II SCHEDULE – COST OF SERVICE/PRICING

ITEM	DEADLINE/DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Surrebuttal testimony	<b>Friday, November 6, 2020</b>
Electronic hearing	<b>Tuesday, November 17, 2020, through Thursday, November 19, 2020, beginning at 9:00 a.m. each day of the hearing via Google Meet.</b> <b><u>NOTE: Parties should also reserve Friday, November 20, 2020, in the event the hearing does not conclude on November 19, 2020.</u></b>  <b>The Google Meet connection information will be emailed to attorneys who have made an appearance in the GRC Docket. The live stream can be viewed on the PSC YouTube channel, which is available by link from the PSC website.</b>

***Depreciation Docket***

AMENDED SCHEDULE

ITEM	DEADLINE/DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Surrebuttal testimony	<b>Thursday, October 29, 2020</b>

DISCOVERY

Discovery turn-around times shall be 10 calendar days until October 30, 2020 and 5 calendar days thereafter. Parties shall serve discovery requests and responses on applicable parties by electronic mail. In the event a document produced in response to a discovery request cannot reasonably be transmitted by electronic mail, the party disclosing the document shall

provide an electronic copy of the document on CD (or, if an electronic copy is not available, a paper copy).

AMENDED NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 52-4-207, on this October 21, 2020, the chair of the PSC makes this written determination that, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the continued risks of transmission in Utah, the hearings scheduled for **October 29 through October 30, November 3 through November 6, and November 17 through November 20, 2020**, will be conducted as electronic meetings without an anchor location. An anchor location would provide a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at the anchor location. These hearings will be conducted via Google Meet. Connection information will be emailed as detailed in the PSC's Amended Notice of Electronic Hearings and Electronic Public Witness Hearing issued October 15, 2020. All parties must have their witnesses in attendance and prepared to testify. The PSC will also stream the hearings through the PSC YouTube channel, which is available by link from the PSC website. Any interested person may view and listen to the hearings through that means without a need to connect to the video conference. The YouTube stream of the hearings will be available live, and will also be archived and available after the hearings are concluded.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during any of the hearings should notify the PSC at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the applicable hearing.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, October 21, 2020.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg  
PSC Secretary  
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on October 21, 2020, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was delivered upon the following as indicated below:

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