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November 18, 2021

Ms. Jana Saba  
Rocky Mountain Power  
1407 West North Temple, Suite 330  
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Re: *Rocky Mountain Power's Filing in Compliance with the PSC's Order issued on December 30, 2020 in Docket No. 20-035-04, 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; Docket No. 21-035-T12*

Dear Ms. Saba:

The Public Service Commission (PSC) reviewed the proposed rate changes and all other revisions to Tariff P.S.C.U. No. 51 ("Tariff") Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) filed on October 19, 2021 ("Tariff Compliance Filing"). RMP submitted the Tariff Compliance Filing in compliance with the PSC's December 30, 2020 Order in Docket No. 20-035-04 ("Order"). RMP states the changes to tariff sheet Nos. 1.1, 1.2, 2E.1, 2E.2, 3.1, 3.2, and 73.1 reflect the increase to the single-family residential customer charge and lower energy rates approved in the Order. Additionally, RMP states the changes to tariff sheet No. 197.1 implement the next step of the rate mitigation strategy refund. The Order approved refunds in the amounts of \$46.3 million for the first year and \$23.1 million in the second year; however, RMP indicates it discovered an error in the Order that caused the first-year refund to be \$0.5 million higher for residential customers than the ordered amount. RMP therefore proposes reducing the second-year refund amount to residential customers by \$0.5 million. Instead of the ordered second year Schedule 197 price of -1.51 percent for residential customers, RMP proposes a -1.44 percent price. The Tariff Compliance Filing also contains a housekeeping change in Electric Service Schedule No. 7 – Security Area Lighting to add back the last tariff sheet which RMP states had been removed inadvertently. RMP attests that the proposed Tariff sheets do not constitute a violation of state law or PSC rule.

The Tariff Compliance Filing also indicates that on August 3, 2021, RMP filed an Application in Docket No. 21-035-42 for Alternative Cost Recovery for Major Plant Additions of the Pryor Mountain and TB Flats Wind Projects ("MPA Application") proposing reductions to base energy charges for residential customers to be effective January 1, 2022 that use the second-year general rate case energy charges as their starting point. If the PSC approves RMP's request in that proceeding, RMP recommends the changes to tariff sheets submitted with the MPA Application used

for residential customers from Docket No. 21-035-42 should override those submitted in this Tariff Compliance Filing and be the final ones to go into effect on January 1, 2022.

The PSC also reviewed the November 2, 2021 comments filed by the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) stating it verified the Tariff changes are consistent with the PSC's Order. Regarding RMP's assertion that its first year residential customer refunds were in excess of those authorized in the PSC's Order, DPU states it reviewed this claim and verified its accuracy. Accordingly, DPU recommends the PSC approve the proposed Tariff revisions as submitted. DPU also recommends the PSC deny RMP's proposal that the changes to Tariff sheets submitted in the MPA Application should override those submitted in this Tariff Compliance Filing, stating that the final outcome of that proceeding is uncertain and should not be included as part of this proceeding.

Based on the PSC's review of RMP's Tariff Compliance Filing, and DPU's comments and recommendations, the PSC approves RMP's proposed Tariff sheets, effective January 1, 2022. In addition, we do not authorize, in this context, the tariff sheets that RMP filed with its MPA Application to override the tariff sheets filed in this Tariff Compliance Filing. We will approve, deny, or approve with modifications, the tariff sheets filed with the MPA Application in the context of that proceeding.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg

PSC Secretary

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