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Good Morning

We were pleased the Utah's Public Service Commission rejected PacifiCorp's 2021 Integrated Resource Plan. It was insufficient in mandating progress toward limiting climate change that is so clearly affecting water levels, snow quantity, Salt Lake Valley air quality and especially the Great Salt Lake.

I would strongly suggest the new IRP be updated to include:

- Required inclusion and remediation of externalities previously ignored.

- Mandatory reduction in fossil fuel power generation from 85% today to 25% or less in 5 years time.

- Inclusion of environmental cost and long-term climate change impacts in all plans

- Updating to the latest climate and externalities in each subsequent IRP iteration

We love the quality of life in Utah - skiing, mountain biking, water sports - and the wild beauty that can only be enjoyed through clear skies and temperate days.

Please do everything you can to require PacifiCorp to become a modern energy producer, aware of its impact on our children and their children. If this results in increased energy costs in the short-term, it is a price worth paying.

Sincerely

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- ~ all environmental and societal externality costs are specifically identified and assessed by a neutral third party, not PacifiCorp;
- ~ all IRP resource models and portfolios acknowledge the full range of monetized externality costs; and,
- ~ every biennial IRP process will include a technical review of the latest externalities research.



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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

No Coal in Oakland (NCiO) submits this comment to your Docket #22-035-35, "Utah Citizens Advocating Renewable Energy's Request for Agency Action to Reform the Integrated Resource Plan Guidelines."

NCiO is a civic group based in California and a participating member of the Utah Clean Infrastructure Coalition (UCIC). Our interest in Utah energy policies resulted from attempts to build an export terminal for Utah-sourced coal on city-owned land adjacent to the Port of Oakland. NCiO members living in the Bay Area remain threatened by pollution from Utah coal as it transits our communities and again as it is burned in overseas power plants.

Climate change is a major source of NCiO's concern with a coal export terminal, along with the health effects that would be inflicted upon the residents of Oakland by the transport and handling of coal. We feel that this relationship entitles us to comment to the Utah Public Service Commission (PSC) on energy related matters within your purview that may affect us.

PacifiCorp is a major producer of electricity from coal in Utah and, as such, sustains and perpetuates the Utah coal industry that threatens us directly and indirectly. We know that it is the decline in the demand for coal within the U.S. that leads the Utah coal industry to seek export markets. PacifiCorp should stop misusing rate payer and stockholder money to prop up an industry rightfully in decline.

With regards to the PSC's regulation of PacifiCorp and its Utah subsidiary Rocky Mountain Power (RMP), NCiO strongly believes that climate change related externality costs should be considered at every stage of electricity production from the mining, transporting and handling, and burning of coal. We believe that PacifiCorp and RMP should be held accountable in order to eliminate or mitigate these damages.

The Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Guidelines you are using now fail to hold PacifiCorp and RMP accountable for externality damages caused by resource decisions that still prioritize coal. The environmental and societal damages they cause are real and indisputable. Every effort should be made to get precise and accurate measurements of externalities and apply this to your regulation of the IRP process.

Thank you very much for considering this NCiO comment.

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