

# UTAH DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Public Utilities

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## **Action Request Response**

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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**Date:** July 28, 2022

Re: Docket No. 22-035-T11, and Docket No 21-035-53, Rocky Mountain Power's

Filing in Compliance with the PSC's Order Issued on June 30, 2022, in Docket No. 21-035-53, Application of US Magnesium, LLC for Determination of Long-Term Rates, Terms, and Conditions of Interruptible/DSM Electric Service

between it and Rocky Mountain Power

## Recommendation (Approval)

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) approve Rocky Mountain Power's (RMP) proposed revisions to Schedule 198, effective July 1, 2022. The Division determined that RMP's filing complies with the Commission's Order in Docket No. 21-035-53, dated June 30, 2022.

#### Issue

On July 18, 2022, RMP filed its proposed revisions to Electric Service Schedule No. 198, Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program (EVIP) Cost Adjustment. The electric service agreement or ESA for US Magnesium specifies that US Magnesium is subject to these charges. On July 18, 2022, the Commission issued an action request to the Division requesting it to review RMP's filing for compliance, make recommendations, and report back as soon as possible. RMP requests an effective date of July 1, 2022.

### **Background**

US Magnesium, LLC (USMag) requested the Commission open a docket (Docket No. 21-035-53) to determine the long-term rates, terms and conditions of interruptible power between USMag and RMP. Over the course of a number of meetings, hearings and testimony, the parties reached a stipulation in Docket No. 21-035-53. On June 30, 2022 the Commission issued an Order approving the Electric Service Agreement (ESA), Operating Reserves Interruption Agreement (ORIA) and Stipulation and Settlement Agreement filed June 17, 2022. In the ESA, it specifies that US Magnesium will be subject to Electric Service Schedule 198. This tariff revision is to comply with that provision in the stipulation.

#### **Discussion**

In compliance with the Commission's Order, RMP filed its Second Revision to Sheet No. 198.2. The compliance tariff filing modifies Schedule 198 according to the Order and the Electric Service Agreement between RMP and USMag. The rate of 0.27% reflected on Schedule 198 for Contact 2 is consistent with the rate used for Electric Service Schedule No. 9—General Service High Voltage. The Division compared these revisions to the Settlement Stipulation and found that the revisions filed in this docket comply with the approved Stipulation.

In the review of RMP's advice letter, the Division reviewed Utah Administrative Code R746-405-2(D)(3)(g), which requires a statement that the tariff sheets proposed do not constitute a violation of state law or Commission rule. The filing does not appear to violate statute or rule.

#### Conclusion

The Division concludes that RMP's filing complies with the Commission's Order and is just and reasonable and in the public interest. Therefore, the Division recommends the Commission approve RMP's filing with an effective date of July 1, 2022.

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