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Comment on RMP IRP, Docket # 23-035-10

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Evan Johnson (thaddeusmt@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message

Thu, Oct 5, 2023 at 10:20 AM

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Reply-To: Evan Johnson <thaddeusmt@gmail.com>
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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

We have made the personal investment of rooftop solar to help "green" the grid, but many who rent, or live in apartments, etc are not able to do this. That leaves the important work of reducing the carbon intensity of power generation at grid scale to the utilities. I hope RMP will do the right thing for my children and prioritize renewable energy production over coal.

Dear Commissioners LeVar, Clark, and Harvey,

As a Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) ratepayer, I urge you to disapprove the 2023 PacifiCorp Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) as currently written for reasons that include those listed below:

- ~ The IRP lacks an adequate, reliable commitment to reducing Utah's greenhouse gas emissions in a cost-effective manner. Instead, this IRP continues our reliance on fossil fuels: potentially operating some coal plants in the 2030s, or potentially even longer if RMP-PacifiCorp's nuclear option fails.
- ~ The IRP would convert other coal burners to natural gas (methane), which is climate damaging and infamous for volatile price swings.
- ~ The plan relies heavily on nuclear power, which hasn't been an economically or environmentally viable solution for our nation's energy needs in decades and faces significant hurdles before it can even be considered a credible option. Nevertheless, RMP-PacifiCorp claims that a first-of-its-kind nuclear power plant will be "crucial" for a transition from fossil fuels. Ratepayers could be saddled with massive costs, as has been the case with the Vogtle fiasco in Georgia.
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The Commission should give these multiple resource plan failings your serious consideration while reviewing the 2023 IRP. Utah ratepayers depend on you to protect us from additional costs when utility investments in fossil fuels and risky technology like nuclear prove ill-advised. Clean renewable energy technologies like wind and solar are cost effective, available now and, with robust energy storage, should be the mainstay of a revised 2023 PacifiCorp IRP.

Please direct RMP-PacifiCorp to correct deficiencies in the 2023 IRP and withhold your approval until the company submits the corrected documents for further review.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

The decisions we make today not only impact our lives but also the lives of those around us and of those will come after us: our children, our grand-children, our great-grandchildren? and the lives of all living beings. Now it?s time to expand the field of our awareness and feel the impact of our decisions. WE together can make a difference. And YOU, as decision maker, can put us on this path of change. Now it?s time. Be the change.

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