Coal Variance Report

The Company operates its system on a least cost economic dispatch model for its customers. Forecast generation coal burns provided in the Utah general rate case (GRC), UT 20-035-04, were set for ratemaking purposes only, not the management of actual system operations, nor would it be prudent to do so. In addition, the forecasted test period used in this filing was established in 2020 for test period 2021, under a normalized forecast and perfect operating conditions. Due to significant changes in actual Company operations since, the forecast is outdated and will be updated in the Company's next Utah GRC.

Changes to coal supply were included in the Confidential Review of 2023 Inventory Levels with the Division of Public Utilities. Specifically, page 4, "in 2023, all Utah coal suppliers and one major Wyoming coal supplier made force majeure claims that resulted in significant delivery shortfalls of PacifiCorp's contracted coal supply," which effected Hunter plant, Huntington plant, and Jim Bridger plant.

Dave Johnston and Wyodak power plants reside in a transmission constrained area defined as Windstar. The Aeolus Transmission line and associated generation and transmission bubbles of Windstar and Aeolus has introduced a scenario where a System Operating Limit (SOL) can be triggered when the sum of Windstar generation exceeds the sum of Aeolus generation by 600 Megawatts, and generation in Windstar may be curtailed to relieve the SOL.