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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

Thank you for supporting ratepayer interests in reducing Rocky Mountain Power's rate-increase request in Docket No. 24-035-04.

You listened to Utah's concerns and accepted public input via hearings and the written docket. Thank you for holding shareholders accountable for Rocky Mountain Power's major contribution to increased wildfire risk in the U.S. because of coal-burning power plants; well-documented impact on a heating climate.

As you consider the additional coal and gas fuel costs Rocky Mountain Power is seeking to recover through Docket No. 25-035-01, please keep in mind that Utah is home to abundant low-cost clean-energy resources, including solar and geothermal, that have no fuel costs. Those renewable resources reduce our reliance on costly coal and gas plants and expensive market purchases. In addition, a recent Reuters analysis estimated that the coal plants operated by Berkshire Hathaway, including the Rocky Mountain Power fleet, cause up to 260 deaths and \$3.9 billion in medical costs every year. Please reduce Rocky Mountain Power's requested cost reimbursements in recognition of its poor decision-making.

As you begin the utility's Integrated Resource Plan process, I urge you to ensure that its planning prioritizes reliable, clean, low-cost resources, especially solar, wind, geothermal, and energy storage.

Sincerely,

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Docket No. 24-035-04: Please Reject Rocky Mountain Power's 30% rate increase

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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

As a customer and Utahn, I ask that you please limit Rocky Mountain Power's rate hike on customers.

The requested rate increase is driven primarily by increased net power costs and increased wildfire liability insurance premiums. These costs are directly tied to Rocky Mountain Power's heavy reliance on coal and gas, which have notoriously volatile fuel costs.

Utah is home to abundant low-cost clean-energy resources, including solar and geothermal. In fact, Rocky Mountain Power canceled its purchase of new, cheaper clean-energy resources, even though those renewable resources could have helped reduce reliance not only on costly coal and gas plants but also more expensive purchases from the energy market.

The result of Rocky Mountain Power's lack of foresight is energy costs are only going to increase unless the Public Service Commission steps in to protect the public. The Commission must make clear that the utility's decision-making must prioritize its customers, not its shareholders. The Commission should reduce Rocky Mountain Power's requested cost reimbursements in recognition of its poor decision-making, requiring RMP management to take responsibility for its decisions.

Additionally, the Commission should make clear that to avoid rate hikes in the future, Rocky Mountain Power's resource planning must prioritize reliable, low-cost resources, especially solar, wind, geothermal, and energy storage.

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