Rocky Mountain Power Docket No. 24-035-12 Witness: Marcelina R. Hundis

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF UTAH

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Direct Testimony of Marcelina R. Hundis

1 **INTRODUCTION AND QUALIFICATIONS** 2 **Q**. Please state your name, business address, and present position with PacifiCorp 3 dba Rocky Mountain Power ("Company"). 4 A. My name is Marcelina R. Hundis. My business address is 825 NE Multnomah Street, 5 Suite 600, Portland, Oregon 97232. I am employed by PacifiCorp as an Environmental 6 Commodity Trader for Energy Supply Management ("ESM"). 7 **Q**. Please describe your education and business experience. 8 I received a Master of Science in Environmental Planning and Management from A. 9 Johns Hopkins University and a dual Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree from The 10 Evergreen State College. During my tenure at the Company, I have held several 11 positions and have worked on hydro power water management, hydro power 12 optimization, and data analysis. I have been employed by PacifiCorp since 2014. 13 Q. Please explain your responsibilities as an Environmental Commodity Trader for 14 PacifiCorp. 15 My current responsibilities include managing financial and physical commodity A. 16 positions including compiling, analyzing, interpreting, and summarizing environmental 17 commodities. I also implement all elements (i.e. contracting, tracking, reporting, and 18 approvals) of marketing activities related to environmental commodities data. Most 19 relevant to this docket, I sell and purchase environmental commodities (renewable 20 energy credits ("RECs", and Oregon Clean Fuels Program credits) within the 21 Company's risk policy.

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#### **SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY**

#### 23 Q. Please summarize your testimony.

A. My testimony discusses the actual total-Company 2023 REC revenues used to calculate
the Schedule 98 REC Balancing Account ("RBA") deferral and details the REC
contracts associated with 2023 REC revenues. The direct testimony of Mr. Aaron J.
Rose discusses the calculation of the current RBA deferred balance. Mr. Robert M.
Meredith provides the Company's proposed rate spread and rates to recover the
deferred balance in the RBA.

#### 30 Q. How much REC revenue did the Company receive for calendar year 2023?

A. Actual REC revenue for calendar year 2023 was \$9.61 million on a total-Company basis and \$6.43 million on a Utah-basis, as further discussed in Mr. Rose's direct testimony and shown on page 2.1 of Exhibit RMP\_\_\_(AJR-2). These amounts do not include the REC sales from the Pryor Mountain and Kennecott Agreement described below.

#### 36 Q. Is the Utah-allocated REC revenue for calendar year 2023 a final number?

A. No. The booked REC revenue is determined from contracts in 2023; however, those
contracts rely on RECs that are transferred using the Western Renewable Energy
Generation Information System ("WREGIS"), which can take up to 90 days to settle.
The underlying resources associated with the November, and December 2023 REC
sales that determine Utah's allocation are estimates. Similar to previous years, any
difference will flow through subsequent Schedule 98 true-ups.

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- 43 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that details actual 2023 REC revenue?
- 44 A. Yes. Total-Company 2023 REC revenue is detailed in Confidential Exhibits
  45 RMP (MRH-1) and RMP (MRH-2).
- 46 DETAILED ACCOUNTING OF REC REVENUES
- 47 Q. Please explain Confidential Exhibits RMP\_(MRH-1) and RMP\_(MRH-2).
- Confidential Exhibits RMP (MRH-1) and RMP (MRH-2) provide detailed 48 A. 49 accounting of REC revenues received for calendar year 2023. Confidential Exhibit RMP (MRH-1) contains a summary table of actual REC revenues by month 50 51 and by resource for calendar year 2023 on a total-Company basis, excluding the sales 52 associated with Pryor Mountain and the Kennecott agreement discussed below. 53 Confidential Exhibit RMP (MRH-2) summarizes actual REC sales by entity, tag 54 price, resource, and vintage for calendar year 2023. As discussed by Mr. Rose, all 2023 55 REC revenues, except for the Pryor Mountain and Kennecott Agreements, qualify for 56 a ten percent incentive that the Company is permitted to retain pursuant to Docket No. 57 11-035-200.
- 58 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that details the final November and December 2022
   59 actual REC revenue by resource?
- A. Yes. Total-Company November and December 2022 REC revenue by resource is
  detailed in Confidential Exhibit RMP\_\_(MRH-3). At the time of filing the 2023 RBA,
  the Company did not know the resource allocation of the REC revenue for these months
  due to the timing in WREGIS. In that filing, the Company utilized estimates of the
  attributed resources for those months and committed to provide a subsequent true-up
  once the transactions were finalized. November 2022 and December 2022 actual

amounts are included in this filing. There is no material difference between the revenue
estimates for those months used to calculate Utah-allocated REC revenue in the 2023
RBA. The actual resource allocations are discussed in the direct testimony of Mr. Rose.

- 69 Q. Please describe the Kennecott Agreement and the RECs allocation for compliance
  70 year 2023.
- 71 A. On August 7, 2019, the Utah Public Service Commission approved the Kennecott 72 Agreement in Docket No. 19-035-20. The Kennecott Agreement requires the Company 73 to retire 1.5 million Utah-allocated RECs on behalf of Kennecott, or a Kennecott 74 affiliate, on an annual basis in exchange for Kennecott not generating power from its 75 Unit 4 generation facility. The effective term of the Kennecott Agreement is from April 76 1, 2019, to December 31, 2025. In addition to REC charges, the Company agreed to 77 obtain Green-e certification on behalf of Kennecott through the Center for Resource 78 Solutions. Kennecott has agreed to reimburse the Company for all the direct costs of 79 this certification and pay a fee covering the Company's administrative costs related to 80 internal administration of obtaining and maintaining certification. The Kennecott 81 Agreement requires the Company to allocate one hundred percent of the revenue from 82 the REC charges Kennecott pays under the Kennecott Agreement as revenue into the 83 Utah REC Balancing Account for the sole benefit of the Company's Utah customers.

Revenue and RECs from the Kennecott Agreement are detailed in Confidential Exhibit RMP\_\_(MRH-4). Kennecott was allocated 1,500,000 Utah-allocated RECs for the compliance period of 2023, reflecting amounts for the fifth year under the contract.

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- 88 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
- 89 A. Yes.

Rocky Mountain Power Exhibit RMP\_\_(MRH-1) Docket No. 24-035-12 Witness: Marcelina R. Hundis

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Exhibit Accompanying Direct Testimony of Marcelina R. Hundis

Actual REC Revenue Details (in \$\$\$)

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Actual REC Revenue Details (in MWh)

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Actual November and December 2022 by Resource

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Kennecott Allocation