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Please vote in favor of Utah Renewable Communities

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Dear Utah Public Service Commission,

We are in a summer where we are burning up, literally and figuratively. We need renewable energy to help ensure we have a future.

I am writing in support of Rocky Mountain Power's application, filed in Docket No. 25-035-06, to implement the Community Clean Energy Program.

As a Utah resident and Rocky Mountain Power customer, I see this new clean energy program as a meaningful step toward a healthier, more prosperous future for our state.

However, I am concerned about Rocky Mountain Power's recent proposals that could undermine the program's success. Rocky Mountain Power wants to undervalue solar, wind, and other energy sources — by about 40% — which would make it harder to build the new projects Utah needs. It's also asking program participants to pre-pay for four years of ongoing administration, adding about \$4 million in excessive upfront costs. Approving these changes will result in a smaller and more expensive program, and Utah could miss out on its last best opportunity to add affordable clean energy this decade. The Public Service Commission now faces a critical decision: whether to approve the Utah Renewable Communities program while ensuring it remains truly affordable for the communities it serves. I urge the Commission to reject RMP's proposals that would undervalue clean energy resources and impose excessive administration costs on participating customers. Approving a fair, community-centered version of this program will help keep electricity rates affordable while advancing Utah's clean energy future.

This program offers Utah the opportunity to diversify energy sources, create jobs, improve air quality, and strengthen energy independence. It will also help supportGovernor Cox's Operation Gigawatt by adding new power plant capacity at a time when Utah's economy needs it.

We ask that you please approve a version of the program that reflects the priorities of the communities it's meant to serve.

Sincerely,

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