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Alice Mulder <alicem1444@gmail.com>
To: psc@utah.gov

Fri, Dec 5, 2025 at 7:54 PM

Hello,

Thank you for taking the time to read my comment regarding the Community Renewable Energy Program. **My name is Alice Mulder and I live in Ogden, Utah**, one of the 19 communities active with the program. I am so excited to see this program become a reality!

I am an educator and have taught for two decades at the university level about sustainability and environmental challenges and solutions, among other topics. Over these years, the need to transition to much greater use of clean, renewable electricity has become more and more clear, given the impacts that are already being felt by our warming world and changing climate. Larger scale projects, like the Community Renewable Energy Program can have a big impact as community-scale efforts to reduce emissions, improve our air quality, attract businesses, and consequently help foster healthier and more resilient communities.

I believe we should each have the choice to decide whether we are paying for energy that is more stable, renewable, and therefore more resilient to political and market changes, or for fossil fuels which carry a host of external costs that all residents bear in the form of poor air quality, health impacts and costs, as well as greenhouse gas emissions. Clean energy should be added to Rocky Mountain Power's production mix and fairly valued.

Please, I urge you to approve the Program as proposed by the 19 Utah Renewable Communities. Costs should of course be considered, but the potential \$3-4 increase to the average household bill is small relative to the benefits, plus, households may choose to opt out, if the cost is burdensome.

The Commission has the opportunity to enable positive steps in our energy choices with the Community Renewable Energy Program. I wholeheartedly hope you will approve the program.

Thank you for your consideration of public input and your time.

Sincerely,

Alice Mulder

Ogden, UT



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**Gretchen Semerad** <semerad7@yahoo.com> To: psc@utah.gov Sat, Dec 6, 2025 at 11:56 AM

Dear Public Service Commission,

Thank you for your time. My name is Gretchen Semerad and I live in Salt Lake City. I'm writing to request that you support and approve the Community Renewable Energy Program.

I've lived in Salt Lake City my entire life, except for about six years. I have two children. I want my family and all Utahns to have access to cleaner, healthier energy. Renewable energy is better for our air and environment, and is a better choice to limit the impacts of climate change on our communities and families. It has also become one of the most affordable options for the long term. In addition, technology such as battery storage address the intermittency issue with renewables.

I care about this program because it lets us choose a future that is cleaner, more resilient, and less expensive than sticking with fossil fuels. It matters where our energy comes from and this program gives our communities choice.

I urge you to approve the program as proposed by the 19 Utah Renewable Communities. The initial rate should add no more than \$3–\$4 to the average household bill. I ask that new clean energy added this decade be fairly valued by Rocky Mountain Power, without excessive pre-payment requirements that make participation harder.

Thank you for your



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**Jeanne Evenden** <jevenden7@gmail.com>
To: "psc@utah.gov" <psc@utah.gov>

Sat, Dec 6, 2025 at 10:14 PM

#### Dear Utah Public Service Commission:

I am a resident of Ogden, and am writing to urge you to grant your approval of the application submitted by Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) to implement the Community Clean Energy Program authorized by the Community Clean Energy Act. This is an unprecedented opportunity for Utah overall, and for the 19 participating communities specifically. If approved by the PSC, and adopted by all 19 communities, 25% of the energy produced in Utah by RMP is projected to be renewably-sourced clean energy. This is not insignificant in a State with momentous air quality challenges. Implementation of this program will be a critically important step in helping address our human health and air quality challenges.

At a time when energy demands are on the rise, and the State of Utah is pushing for new energy development through Governor Cox's Operation Gigawatt initiative, ALL energy sources – including new clean energy resources – should be cultivated and developed to support Utah's environment and economy. In the evolving global energy landscape renewable sources are becoming increasingly cost effective. Even without subsidies, renewables are often the cheapest option available. The Utah Renewable Communities (URC) Program provides Utah with the best opportunity to develop these cost-effective clean energy sources. It is unlikely that this incredible opportunity to bring new clean energy to the grid on this scale will be made available again anytime soon, if ever.

As a community-led initiative, the URC agency board has taken steps to ensure community members will not be significantly impacted by bill increases. The initial rate impact is expected to add no more than \$3-4 on average to the monthly bill. Financial assistance to qualifying customers will be well publicized, as will the provision for citizen choice to easily opt out of the program should one wish. RMP's proposal to impose excessive administrative costs and undervalue clean energy resources puts the affordability of this program at risk, however. For that reason, I urge the Commission to approve the plan as proposed by the URC, with an affordable rate that will allow participating communities to choose clean energy.

I couldn't be more excited about being involved in this unprecedented, cost-effective opportunity for clean, reliable and locally-sourced energy. Please approve a program that reflects the priorities of those of us it's meant to serve. Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards, Jeanne Evenden



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**Lorien Kuster** <kuster.lorien@yahoo.com> To: psc@utah.gov Sun, Dec 7, 2025 at 9:30 PM

Hello,

Thank you for taking the time to read my message today. My name is Lorien Kuster, and I live in Murray. I'm emailing to ask the Public Service Commission to support and approve the Community Renewable Energy Program.

I want my family and every Utah family to have access to cleaner, healthier energy. Renewable energy is not only better for our air, it's becoming one of the most affordable and stable options long-term.

I care about this program because it gives our communities more control over where our energy comes from. It lets us choose a future that's cleaner, more resilient, and less expensive for taxpayers than sticking with fossil fuels.

I urge you to approve the Program as proposed by the 19 Utah Renewable Communities.

The initial rate should add no more than \$3–\$4 to the average household bill. And I ask that new clean energy added this decade be fairly valued by Rocky Mountain Power, without excessive pre-payment requirements that make participation harder.

Thank you again for your time and for considering public input. I strongly urge you to approve the Community Renewable Energy Program.

Lorien Kuster Murray, UT 84121