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Action Request Response

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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Date: February 11, 2026

Re: **Docket No. 26-031-T01**, Mt. Wheeler Power, Inc.'s Proposed Tariff Revisions

Recommendation (Acknowledge)

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) acknowledge the proposed rate change for Mt. Wheeler Power (Mt. Wheeler) customers and make it available for public inspection with an effective date of March 1, 2026

Issue

On January 29, 2026, Mt. Wheeler filed with the Commission a redlined draft of its proposed changes to its tariff rate schedule. On the same date, the Commission issued an Action Request asking the Division to investigate the filing and to report back by February 12, 2026. This memorandum represents the Division's response to the Commission's Action Request.

Discussion

Mt. Wheeler indicated that the rate adjustment it is seeking is driven by increases in material, labor, and regulatory costs it has experienced. The Division reviewed the filing considering Utah Code Ann. § 54-7-12(7). This provision requires Mt. Wheeler to file its proposed tariff changes, along with board approval of the changes and customer



notification. In compliance with subsection 54-7-12(7), Mt. Wheeler indicated that the Board of Directors discussed the adjustments on December 15, 2025, and approved the first reading of the new rate schedules on January 21, 2026. Notice was announced on the company's website at https://www.mwpower.net/sites/default/files/2026-02/agenda-2-10-26_0.pdf. Mt. Wheeler Power approved the edits during the second reading with the board on February 10, 2026, and it is scheduled to put the rates into effect March 1, 2026.

The Division's review noted that the red-lined tariff showed an effective date of February 1, 2026. Also, it is unclear whether Mt. Wheeler's customers were notified of the proposed tariff changes. The Division requested that Mt. Wheeler submit a corrected tariff document, accurately reflecting the effective date of March 1, 2026, as previously stated in the Company's cover letter. The Division also requested documentation confirming the date and method of customer notification for this proposed tariff change, including any associated links. CEO Kevin Robison subsequently furnished the requisite updated tariff and customer notification documentation on February 10, 2026. The Division notes that Mt. Wheeler provided the signed final tariff with the March 1, 2026, effective date and not the red-line version.

Utah Code Ann. § 54-3-3 requires utilities to provide at least 30 days' notice to the Commission prior to the effective date of changes to the rate schedule. Mt. Wheeler submitted the rate schedule for review to the Commission's office in late January 2026. Utah Code Ann. § 54-3-3 allows the Commission to acknowledge tariff changes without requiring the 30 days' notice for good cause. The Division sees no significant or material harm in not having allowed 30-day notice to the Commission, given that the final board approval is anticipated on February 10, 2026, ahead of the March 1st implementation.

The Proposed Changes:

Service Category	Description / Wattage	Original Rate	New Rate
Outdoor Lighting (LED)	50W and less (Existing Pole)	\$11.02	\$13.00
	50W and less (New Wood Pole)	\$13.96	\$16.00
	50W and less (URD Service)	\$24.40	\$29.00
	51W and greater (Existing Pole)	\$11.94	\$14.00

	51W and greater (New Wood Pole)	\$14.98	\$17.00
	51W and greater (URD Service)	\$24.40	\$29.00
Outdoor Lighting (Mercury)	Up to 90W (Existing Pole)	\$9.94	\$12.00
	Up to 90W (New Wood Pole)	\$12.38	\$15.00
	Up to 90W (URD Service)	\$22.68	\$27.00
	91W - 150W (Existing Pole)	\$12.66	\$15.00
	91W - 150W (New Wood Pole)	\$15.00	\$18.00
	91W - 150W (URD Service)	\$24.40	\$29.00
Street Lighting (Mercury)	175 Watt	\$6.98	\$8.00
	250 Watt	\$9.97	\$12.00
	400 Watt	\$14.95	\$18.00
Street Lighting (Sodium)	70 Watt	\$3.50	\$4.00
	100 Watt	\$4.69	\$7.00
	200 Watt	\$8.27	\$10.00
Street Lighting (LED)	50 Watt	\$3.32	\$4.00
	75 Watt	\$4.44	\$5.00
	100 Watt	\$5.56	\$7.00
Miscellaneous Charges	Energy Delivery Charge (Metered)	\$15.00	\$25.00
	Energy Rate (per kWh)	\$0.09	\$0.13
	School Crossing Lights (per month)	\$30.10	\$36.00
	Additional Wood Pole Charge	\$2.75	\$3.00
	Excess URD (per 130 ft)	\$7.90/\$7.92	\$11.00

Conclusion

The Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the revised tariff sheets and make them available for public inspection with an effective date of March 1, 2026.

cc: Kevin Robinson, Mt. Wheeler Power, Inc.
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