

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

Rocky Mountain Powers 2027-2029 Utah
Wildland Fire Protection Plan

DOCKET NO. 26-035-35
ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
ADDITIONAL TIME

ISSUED: September 8, 2026

On August 6, 2026, Rocky Mountain Power initiated this docket by filing its Utah Wildfire Mitigation Plan for 2027-2029 ("2027 Plan"). The same date, RMP filed a Motion for Order Finding Additional Time is Warranted Pursuant to R746-315-2(2) ("Motion"). The Motion requests the Public Service Commission (PSC) issue an order finding additional time is warranted and in the public interest to deviate from the otherwise applicable 120-day period for the PSC to evaluate a proposed wildland fire protection plan pursuant to Utah Admin. Code R746-315-2(2) (the "Rule"). The Motion further requests the PSC expedite its consideration of the Motion and set a scheduling conference to establish a procedural schedule for this docket.

RMP argues the Rule's presumed 120-day period for the PSC to evaluate RMP's 2027 Plan imposes hardships that outweigh its benefits, emphasizing the 2027 Plan is extensive, detailed in scope, and contains a new proposed method for evaluating mitigation projects. RMP argues "[a]ny efficiency gained by adhering to the 120-day deadline is significantly outweighed by the need for sufficient time to properly review a filing of this breadth and importance."¹

¹ Motion at 3.

No party or stakeholder filed any opposition or objection to RMP's Motion.

While the Rule imposes a default 120-day period for the PSC to evaluate a proposed wildland fire protection plan, the Rule twice expressly states the PSC retains discretion to extend the time for evaluation provided the PSC "determines that additional time is warranted and is in the public interest."²

Given RMP's representations, the PSC's preliminary review of the 2027 Plan, the vital public interest in wildland fire mitigation, and the lack of any opposition to extending the period for the PSC's evaluation of the 2027 Plan, the PSC finds allowing additional time is warranted and in the public interest.

RMP's Motion is granted.

Consistent with the Rule and RMP's request, the PSC will conduct a scheduling conference to discuss an appropriate process for this docket. A notice of the scheduling conference will issue contemporaneously with this order.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, September 8, 2026.

/s/ Michael J. Hammer
Presiding Officer

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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² Utah Admin. Code at R746-315-2; see also *id.* at R746-315-2(2)(iv).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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