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To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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Date: September 11, 2026

Re: **Docket No. 26-035-T08**, Rocky Mountain Power's Filing in Compliance with the PSC's Order Issued on July 31, 2026 in Docket No. 24-035-04, Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Authority to Increase its Retail Electric Utility Service Rates in Utah and for Approval of its Proposed Electric Service Schedules and Electric Service Regulations

Recommendation (Approval)

The Division of Public Utilities ("Division") reviewed Rocky Mountain Power's ("RMP") proposed revision to Tariff P.S.C.U. No. 52. The filing follows the Settlement Stipulation approved by the Public Service Commission ("Commission") Order in Docket No. 24-035-04.¹ The Division recommends approval of the tariff sheet changes.

Issue

On September 1, 2026, the Commission issued a Notice of Filing and Comment Period and said any interested person may submit comments on RMP's proposed tariff revisions on or before September 11, 2026. This is the Division's response.

Background

RMP initiated a general rate case in Docket No. 24-035-04, which concluded with the Commission's final "GRC Order" on April 25, 2025. The Commission also issued an Order

¹ *Order Approving Settlement Stipulation*, Docket No. 24-035-04, July 31, 2026

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in the “EBA Docket” for that year in Docket No. 24-035-01. RMP appealed both decisions to the Utah Supreme Court, filing two petitions regarding the GRC Order and one regarding the EBA Order. The court consolidated these filings into a single proceeding.

Following extensive negotiations, the parties² executed a Settlement Stipulation.³ The parties agreed the Utah Supreme Court should stay the appeal and remand to the Commission whether to approve the Settlement Stipulation’s substantive terms, including the associated rate changes. The Commission held a hearing on July 17, 2026, and approved the Settlement Stipulation in its Order issued on July 31, 2026.

Discussion

On August 5, 2026, RMP filed with the Commission the associated tariff revisions with an effective date of August 10, 2026. The Commission issued its Tariff Approval Letter on August 20, 2026. The Company effectuated the rates in its billing system on August 21, 2026. The revisions filed here are to adjust the rates to rectify the deferred revenue from August 10, 2026 through August 20, 2026.

The Division reviewed the Company’s tariff revisions and workpapers and finds the deferred revenue calculations align with the signed Settlement Stipulation and the July 31, 2026 Commission Order.

The Division notes that the recovery of the deferred amount is recovered through a fixed percentage surcharge, so actual collections will not equal the authorized amount. The method RMP used to derive the class percentages used 2025 test-year billing determinants which are slightly outdated by this time. Also, the more compressed timeline to recover the deferred amount compounds any forecast error into a larger error in collections. The amount in question will probably not be large considering the total deferral but may not be insignificant either. The Division proposes there be a true-up mechanism for any difference collected. Whether it is an over-or-under collection, the amount should be credited to or

² The Office of Consumer Services, the Utah Association of Energy Users, the Utah Large Customer Group, the Division, and RMP

³ *Settlement Stipulation*, Docket No. 24-035-04, June 29, 2026

recovered by the appropriate customers. If not, the Company would absorb any difference by default.

Conclusion

The Division finds that the tariff revisions made by RMP comply with the Commission's Order and therefore recommends approval.

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