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Report on RMP Outages Related to Aug. 13 Willard Peak Fire

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Dear Commissioners:

On August 13, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. Rocky Mountain Power activated its Emergency Coordination Center ("ECC") for the Willard Peak Fire in Ogden, Utah. The ECC has deactivated as of 9:15 a.m. on August 14, 2025.

- During the event, approximately 29,000 customers in the area were de-energized for system stability due to the loss of transmission lines from smoke and fire impacts.
- All customers have been restored by 9:45 a.m. on August 14, 2025. Most customers were restored by 9:30 p.m. on August 13, 2025.
- The fire impacted transmission equipment and a de-energization was needed for system stability, including the implementation of load shedding schemes.
- RMP crews are continuing to patrol for damage to transmission lines and make repairs as needed.
 - Crews removed fire retardant from transmission equipment this morning before re-energizing the lines.

Notifications:

- Outage information was provided on the Rocky Mountain Power Outage map throughout the incident.
- Customers received notifications during the event based on their communications preference.
 - The notification to Ogden customers included information asking them to reduce their energy use on August 13, 2025.
 - If customers had power, we asked them to turn off/turn down their A/C and other appliances. If customers did not have power, we asked them to turn off their A/C and appliances at their breaker box. This helped RMP crews to restore power faster, and there was a noticeable decrease in the demand in the area, proving that the communication was effective.
- Rocky Mountain Power provided multiple interviews to local media to get the word out about reducing energy use.
- Rocky Mountain Power also posted this information on social media and its outage webpage.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns, or would like more information.

Sincerely,

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