BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WYOMING

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION (Issued December 3, 2014)

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) requesting authority to issue a one-time credit to customers to refund an over-collection of Schedule 191, customer efficiency service charge and to adjust the Category 2 Demand-Side Management (DSM) Surcharge for, as more fully described below.

- 1. RMP is a public utility, as defined in W.S. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), providing retail electric public utility service under certificates of public convenience and necessity issued by the Commission. RMP is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction under W.S. § 37-2-112.
- 2. On November 17, 2014, RMP filed its application requesting Commission approval of a one-time customer credit to refund excess funds collected through the small general service (Category 2) DSM Surcharge through the Commission approved Electric Service Schedule 191, Customer Efficiency Service Charge, and to adjust the Category 2 DSM Surcharge.
- 3. Specifically, RMP requests approval to adjust the Schedule 191, Category 2 DSM Surcharge from 2.2 percent to 1.10 percent effective January 1, 2015. The decrease of the Category 2 DSM surcharge to 1.10 percent will decrease the total revenue to \$1.62 million annually. RMP also requests approval to implement a one-time customer credit for the Category 2 DSM Surcharge of \$1.3 million to be applied to each active retail customer in Category 2 beginning February 1, 2015, with an estimated completition of the task no later than March 31, 2015. RMP stated that approximately 31,500 customers that were subject to the Category 2 DSM Surcharge, Schedule 191 will be the recipients of this one-time customer credit. The one-time refund amount was determined based on the accumulative balance of the deferred balance account which forecasts the program expenditures through 2014 and its estimated carrying charge. RMP states that due to the revenues and expenditures being an estimate, the one-time refund of \$1.3 million is the recommended amount. RMP states the primary reason for the one-time customer credit is to provide rate stability for customers by setting the collection rate in line with projected expenditures and then holding that rate steady for 2015.

- In support of its application, RMP states that adjusting the Category 2 DSM Surcharge and implementing a one-time customer credit to the customers that were subject to the Category 2 DSM Surcharge, Schedule 191 will ensure the continued funding of cost effective Wyoming DSM programs and minimize the customer rate impact by aligning Category 2 DSM Surcharge revenues with the currently forecasted program expenditure.
- This is not a complete description of the application. Interested persons may inspect the application during regular business hours at the Company's Wyoming service centers located in Casper, Cody, Evanston, Laramie, Pinedale, Rawlins, Riverton, Rock Springs, and Worland, and at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours.
- Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, protest, intervention petition or request for a public hearing in this matter must file with the Commission in writing on or before January 2, 2015. Intervention petitions and requests for a public hearing shall set forth the grounds on which they are made and the position and interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.
- If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing that you will 7. attend, or you wish to file a public comment, statement, or protest, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or write to the Commission at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 20000-460-ET-14 in your communications.

Dated: December 3, 2014.

- 8. Published notice in this matter shall consist of paragraphs 1 through 7 hereof.
- 9. This *Notice of Application* is effective immediately.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on December 3, 2014.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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