

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WYOMING

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER FOR AUTHORITY )  
TO IMPLEMENT A GENERAL RATE INCREASE )  
IN ITS RETAIL ELECTRIC UTILITY SERVICE )  
RATES IN WYOMING OF \$32.4 MILLION PER )  
YEAR OR 4.5 PERCENT )

DOCKET NO. 20000-469-ER-15  
(RECORD NO. 14076)

### SCHEDULING ORDER

(Issued June 9, 2015)

This matter is before the Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) upon its own motion, to establish a procedural schedule for the proceedings in the above-docketed matter.

The Commission, having reviewed its files in this matter, the parties' comments at the scheduling conference, and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, FINDS AND CONCLUDES:

1. A duly noticed scheduling conference was held on April 28, 2015. Participating in person were Steve Mink, John S. Burbridge, Kara Seveland, Luy Luong, Marci Norby, Michelle Bohanan and Thomas Wilson on behalf of the Commission Staff (Staff); Nancy Vehr, participated in person on behalf of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) and Yvonne Hogle, participated via telephone on behalf of RMP; Ivan Williams participated in person on behalf of the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA); Robert M. Pomeroy, Jr. and Abby Briggerman participated in person on behalf of Wyoming Industrial Energy Consumers (WIEC); and, Crystal J. McDonough participated in person on behalf of Northern Laramie Range Alliance (NLRA).

2. The following procedural schedule, agreed upon by the parties at the scheduling conference, is accordingly set (all times are Mountain Time):

Deadline for RMP to file updated NPC.	June 15, 2015, by 3: p.m.
<b>+All responses are due within 10 calendar days of receipt.</b>	From April 28, 2015
Deadline for Intervenor to pre-file direct testimony.	July 28, 2015, by 3:00 p.m.
<b>All responses are due within 7 business days of receipt.</b>	August 28, 2015
Deadline for all parties to file rebuttal testimony and for Intervenor to file cross-answer testimony.	September 4, 2015, by 3:00 p.m.
Deadline for all parties to exchange exhibits	September 11, 2015
Deadline for parties to file any pre-hearing reports, pre-hearing motions, any objections to pre-filed testimony and exhibits. Deadline to file exhibits, and exhibit index ( <i>see paragraphs 3 and 5</i> )	September 22, 2015, by 3:00 p.m.
Pre-hearing Conference ( <i>see paragraph 5</i> )	September 28, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.
Exhibit Conference	October 12, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.
Public Hearing 10 days	October 12-23, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

3. All pre-filed direct, rebuttal and cross-answer testimony, exhibits, exhibit indexes, and pre-hearing documents are to be filed electronically on the Commission's Docket Management System (DMS) website at <http://dms.wyo.gov> and served on all parties on or before the deadline dates. Such filings and all attachments shall be uploaded in "searchable .pdf" format. If you are not clear on this process, contact the Commission's IT staff for assistance at 307-777-7427. All pre-filed, rebuttal and cross-answer testimony shall be sworn and notarized. Exhibit indexes shall set forth the proper numbering of exhibits, consistent with the party's presentation of witnesses. The exhibit indexes shall refer to numbered, labeled and bates stamped exhibits the party intends to offer into the record, including all pre-filed testimonies and exhibits that will be adopted by testifying witnesses. On September 22, 2015, the parties shall file 7 bound copies of their exhibits, exhibit index, together with an electronic version, as follows:

a) Individually tabbed, consecutively bates stamped, and bound in a three ring binder (which shall not exceed 4 inches in width);

b) All bates stamping will be located at the bottom, right hand corner of each document;

c) If more than one binder is required, each binder shall be separately identified as Vol. I, Vol. II, etc., and shall show which exhibits are included therein;

d) All binders shall include a binder cover sheet and spine label;

e) See the following examples for formatting exhibit tabs:

Applicant Company  
Exhibit 1 - Map

Applicant Company  
Vol. I, Exhibit 1

Applicant Company  
Vol. II, Exhibit 12

f) In the event the parties reach a stipulation and agreement, the stipulation shall be marked as Joint Exhibit A with stipulation testimony of the parties to follow as Joint Exhibits B, C, D, etc.

Applicant shall include its "Application" filed on March 2, 2015, as Exhibit 1. All Sections attached to the Application shall be numbered by Applicant as separate exhibits. **Each party shall provide an additional copy of its exhibit index and binder(s) containing all exhibits to the Court Reporter when the Hearing Officer accepts the exhibits into the record at the exhibit conference on October 12, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.**

For purposes of exhibit labeling, the following numbering system shall be used:

Party	Numbers
RMP	1-99
Commission (Not a Party)	100-199
OCA	200-299
WIEC	300-399
NLRA	400-499
Joint Party Exhibits, Stipulation and Testimony in Support of Stipulation	A-Z

4. To the extent possible, parties should resolve discovery disputes among themselves. Failing in this, the parties shall bring disputed discovery matters immediately to the attention of the Commission as pleadings with any documentation reflecting the dispute. The moving party in any such discovery dispute must certify that it has in good faith conferred or attempted to confer with the party not making the disclosure in an effort to secure the disclosure without Commission action. The Commission waives any restriction on the number of discovery requests, but the parties retain the right to object if abuse of this waiver occurs.

5. Prior to the pre-hearing Conference, the parties shall confer regarding stipulations to uncontroverted facts and the use of joint exhibits to avoid unnecessary duplication. Prior to the pre-hearing Conference, each party, shall have thoroughly reviewed all proposed exhibits of the other parties and be prepared to acknowledge the specific exhibits to which they intend to object to and the specific exhibits to which they will stipulate to admission. By September 22, 2015, each party shall file with the Commission the following described pre-hearing report documents. ***The parties shall segregate the required information into separate documents:***

a) A current summary of the contention of the party entitled “(Party name) *Updated Summary of Contentions.*”

b) A summary of remaining issues of fact and law for determination by the Commission.

c) For each witness who will testify to matters not included in pre-filed testimony, a brief summary of the witness’s proposed testimony which specifies the issue(s) to which the testimony will be directed together with an estimation of the length of time it will take to present the party’s case.

d) A single, stipulated (by all parties) current summary of the uncontroverted and stipulated facts entitled, “Stipulated Summary of Uncontroverted Facts.” This item is to be filed jointly by all the parties rather than individually.

6. No late-filed documents will be accepted for filing by the Commission without an accompanying motion for good cause shown by the party missing any deadline as set forth in paragraph 2 above.

7. Parties unable to attend the pre-hearing conference in person may participate by phone by dialing the Commission’s conference call phone number at 1-877-735-7186. Parties appearing by telephone are asked to contact Angela Elliott prior to the Pre-Hearing Conference at [angela.elliott@wyo.gov](mailto:angela.elliott@wyo.gov) or (307) 777-5716 to advise the Commission that they will be participating by phone.

8. Any party that wishes to cease participation in this proceeding shall file a *Petition for Leave to Withdraw*, which shall include a statement or explanation describing the effect, if any, on the public interest and the orderly and efficient conduct of the proceeding of such party’s withdrawal. Parties shall be permitted to withdraw only upon a showing that no material detriment to the public interest or the orderly and efficient conduct of the proceeding is likely to result therefrom.

9. The public hearing regarding the above captioned matter will commence October 12, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., at the Commission's offices located at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

10. This *Order* is effective immediately.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on June 9, 2015.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



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