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Re: IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER OF ITS
INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN (IRP) UPDATE FOR 2017 – Docket No. 20000-512-EA-
17 (Record No. 14667)

LETTER ORDER
(Issued May 2, 2019)

Dear Ms. Steward:

Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) filed the above-referenced PacifiCorp 2017 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Update with the Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) on May 5, 2018. Beginning on September 4, 2018, the Commission placed notice of the IRP on the Commission's website and Open Meeting agendas. Written comments were due on or before October 31, 2018, and the Company's reply comments were due by November 30, 2018. No comments were received.

At the Commission's duly noticed Open Meeting of April 29, 2019, Stacy Splittstoesser, Wyoming Regulatory Affairs Manager, Shay LaBray, Director of Resource Planning, Rick Link, Vice President of Resource Planning and Yvonne Hogle, Assistant General Counsel, appeared on behalf of Rocky Mountain Power. Ms. LaBray provided a detailed explanation of the 2017 IRP Update process noting the key findings of the Company's 2017 IRP Update.

Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 33, states:

Each utility serving in Wyoming that files an IRP in another jurisdiction shall file that IRP with the Commission. The Commission may require any utility to file an IRP.

Consistent with Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 33, the Commission directs that the above-referenced IRP Update be placed in the Commission's files with no further action being taken and the above-referenced matter should be accepted for filing.

The placement of the IRP in the Commission's files shall not be construed as prior Commission approval of the IRP or any of the representations, forecasts, or conclusions contained therein for any purpose, including, without limitation, ratemaking. Further, the placement of the IRP in the Commission's files shall not be construed as an acknowledgment of the IRP as fulfilling the documentation requirement of Commission Rule Chapter 3, Section 26(a)(ii):

(a) Utilities may file an application to pass on known or projected commodity or commodity-related cost increases or decreases per tariff.

(ii) Pass-on applications shall:

(A) Be filed at least annually and shall at least annually include documentation comparing the utility's actual and normalized annual earnings to those last authorized by the Commission. The appropriate form and level of detail of the required supporting documentation shall be determined by the Commission on a case-by-case basis in consideration of the utility's size, complexity, nature of operations, corporate structure and other relevant factors;

(B) Provide documentation demonstrating that costs included in the application are the most reasonable option available to the utility for safe, adequate and reliable service. Utilities may file integrated resource plans or commodity acquisition plans for Commission review. After Commission acknowledgement, these plans may satisfy this requirement for pass-on applications; and

Should RMP choose to rely on the IRP to meet the documentation requirements of Section 26(a)(ii), the IRP or relevant portions of it should be attached to any pass-on or commodity balancing account filing, wherein the information will be subject to review by the Commission and any interested parties.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to Open Meeting action taken on April 29, 2019, Rocky Mountain Power's 2017 Integrated Resource Plan Update is hereby placed in the Commission's files.

2. This *Letter Order* is effective immediately.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on May 2, 2019.



BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. A. Kollker", is written over a horizontal line.

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