BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF PACIFICORP DBA ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF REDUCTIONS IN BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION REGIONAL EXCHANGE CREDITS

CASE NO. PAC-E-07-01 NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 30222

On January 4, 2007, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or "Company") filed an Application with the Commission for approval of a revised Electric Service Schedule No. 34, which would reflect a reduction in Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) regional exchange credits. This Commission has the jurisdiction over such request pursuant to *Idaho Code* §§ 61-301, 61-307, 61-622 and 61-623.

THE APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that, according to the Application, RMP participates in the Residential Exchange Program (REP) administered by the BPA. RMP established and maintained accounts to monitor the differences in the program credits provided to the Company's customers and the payments received from BPA. The Company states that as of October 2006, its Idaho balancing account showed a surplus of \$7.2 million; that is, RMP paid out \$7.2 million less in benefits to its Idaho residential and small farm customers than it had received from the BPA.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that RMP has recently engaged in negotiations with BPA for the calculation of REP credits effective October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2011. Through these negotiations, the REP benefits passed on to RMP customers are less than benefits received under the parties' prior five-year agreement. The Company is proposing a reduction to the Schedule 34 credit amount to reflect the change in the net credit received from BPA to pass on to RMP customers. Further, RMP proposes to apply \$1 million from the existing Idaho balancing account toward the change in the 2007 BPA credit to help moderate it.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 30222 YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company also proposes that certain longterm care facilities served by it be eligible to receive REP benefits. These facilities would include those where the average patient stay is longer than 30 days, but not include those care facilities that provide full medical care similar to hospitals or medical clinics.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company has requested an effective date of the revised Schedule 34, if approved, of February 15, 2007.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the Application in this case and has preliminarily determined that the public interest in this matter may not require a hearing to consider the issues presented, and that the issues raised by the Application may be processed under **Modified Procedure**, i.e., by written submission rather than by hearing. IDAPA 31.01.01.210-204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the **deadline for filing written comments or protests** with respect to Rocky Mountain Power's Application and the use of Modified Procedure in this case is twenty-one (21) days from the service date of this Order. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Applicant at the addresses reflected below:

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These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the

NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 30222 Commission's home page located at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to RMP at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application is also available on the Commission's Website at www.puc.idaho.gov under "File Room" and then "Electric Cases."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission may consider the matter on its merits and may enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments or protests are received within the deadline, the Commission will consider them and in its discretion may set the matter for hearing or may decide the matter and issue its Order based on the written comments before it. IDAPA 31.01.01.204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Title 61 of the Idaho Code, and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-301, 61-307, 61-622 and 61-623.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application of PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power be processed by Modified Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. Persons interested in submitting written comments in this matter must do so no later than twenty-one (21) days from the service date of this Order.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 18^{++} day of January 2007.

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PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

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