

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
COMMISSION STAFF  
LEGAL

**FROM:** NEIL PRICE

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 7, 2007

**SUBJECT:** CASE NO. PAC-E-07-05; STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS FOLLOWING THE TECHNICAL HEARING ON NOVEMBER 6-8, 2007

On June 8, 2007, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power (Company) filed an Application with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for authority to increase the Company's base rates for electric service by \$18.5 million annually, or 10.3%.

On June 29, 2007, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Intervention Deadline in the above-mentioned case. Parties requesting and granted intervention were: Monsanto Company, Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association, Inc., Agrium, Inc., Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho and Timothy J. Shurtz.

On August 2, 2007, the Commission issued an Order setting the matter for a technical hearing on November 6-8, 2007. Subsequently, the Commission issued a Notice of Public Workshops to be held on September 4-5, 2007 in Rexburg, Idaho and Soda Springs, Idaho.

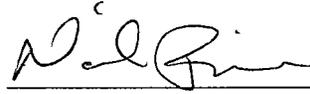
### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff believes that public testimony would be beneficial in assisting the Commission in its duty to assess the Company's current request to increase its base rates for electric service. Therefore, Staff recommends that the Commission approve the scheduling of public hearings in eastern Idaho for the purpose of receiving public comment. Staff further recommends that the public hearings be scheduled during the week of November 19-23, 2007.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission agree with Staff's recommendation that public hearings in the above-entitled case be scheduled in eastern Idaho for the week of November 19-23, 2007?

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