## BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )	
OF PACIFICORP DBA ROCKY MOUNTAIN ) CASE NO. PAC-E-07-14	
POWER FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING A )	
CHANGE IN DEPRECIATION RATES ) NOTICE OF APPLICATION	ON
APPLICABLE TO ELECTRIC PROPERTY )	
) NOTICE OF	
) INTERVENTION DEADL	INE
) ORDER NO. 30449	

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on August 31, 2007, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power filed an Application requesting an Order authorizing a change in depreciation rates for electric property. The Company seeks an effective date for the depreciation rate change of January 1, 2008.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Rocky Mountain's Application states that its last depreciation rate application was filed in October 2002, and in May 2003 the Company entered into a stipulation with the Staff regarding the depreciation rates. The stipulation included a commitment that the Company perform another depreciation study within five years. Accordingly, the Company retained a depreciation consultant and prepared a depreciation study. The study proposes a reduction to the current composite depreciation rate of 2.91% for the Company's electric utility plant, resulting in a new composite depreciation rate of 2.69%. The effect of applying the proposed depreciation rates to the Company's depreciable plant balances is a decrease in depreciation expense of approximately \$3.5 million to plant balances allocated to the Company's Idaho operations.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company requested its Application be processed by Modified Procedure. The Commission will determine after the Company and Staff review the proposed depreciation rates in workshops whether the case may be processed by Modified Procedure. See IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application, supporting workpapers, and exhibits have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application and

workpapers are also available on the Commission's Website at <a href="www.puc.idaho.gov">www.puc.idaho.gov</a> under the "File Room" and then "Electric Cases."

## **DEADLINE FOR INTERVENTION**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to intervene in this matter for the purpose of presenting evidence or cross-examining witnesses at hearing must file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission pursuant to this Commission's Rules of Procedure 72 and 73, IDAPA 31.01.072 and .073. Persons intending to participate at hearing must file a Petition to Intervene no later than 21 days from the service date of this Order. Persons seeking intervenor status shall also provide the Commission Secretary with their electronic mail address to facilitate further communications in this matter.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to present their views without parties' rights of participation and cross-examination are not required to intervene and may present their comments without prior notification to the Commission or to other parties.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that once the deadline for intervention has passed, the Commission Secretary shall issue a Notice of Parties if any Petitions to Intervene are granted. The Notice of Parties shall assign exhibit numbers to each party in this proceeding.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-302, 61-307, 61-502, 61-503, 61-507, 61-622, and 61-623. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 et seq.

## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that persons desiring to intervene in this case for the purpose of presenting evidence or cross-examination at hearing shall file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission no later than twenty-one (21) days from the service date of this Order. DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this  $3^{rd}$  day of October 2007.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

MACK A.REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell () Commission Secretary

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