

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

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

**FROM:** NEIL PRICE  
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

**DATE:** MARCH 15, 2012

**SUBJECT:** ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER'S APPLICATION TO INCREASE RATES THROUGH ITS ENERGY COST ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM (ECAM), CASE NO. PAC-E-12-03

On February 1, 2012, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power ("Rocky Mountain Power" or "Company") submitted its annual Energy Cost Adjustment Mechanism ("ECAM") filing in accordance with *Idaho Code* §§ 61-502 and 61-503, and Rule of Procedure 52.

On February 15, 2012, the Commission issued a Notice of Application, Notice of Modified Procedure and Notice of Intervention Deadline. *See* Order No. 32461. The Notice established a comment deadline of March 13, 2012, and a deadline for submitting a Petition to Intervene of February 28, 2012.

### MONSANTO PETITION TO INTERVENE

On February 13, 2012, Monsanto Company ("Monsanto") submitted a Petition to Intervene. In its Petition, Monsanto states that it "has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding as a special contract customer of Applicant Rocky Mountain Power and intends to participate in all respects herein as a party as may be required to represent its interests." Monsanto Petition at 2.

### MOTION TO EXTEND COMMENT DEADLINE

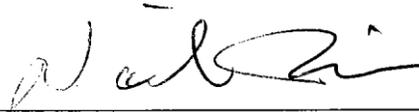
On March 12, 2012, the Commission received Monsanto's Motion requesting a Commission Order extending the Comment Deadline from March 13, 2012 until March 20,

2012.<sup>1</sup> Monsanto states that this is the first time the Company has been subject to Rocky Mountain Power's ECAM filing and requires additional time to prepare data requests, analyze responses, and submit comments. Monsanto Motion at 1. Monsanto states that prior to submitting its Motion it consulted with representatives of Rocky Mountain Power and Staff and neither party objects to the one-week extension of the comment deadline. *Id.* at 3.

### COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to grant Monsanto's Petition to Intervene?

Does the Commission wish to grant Monsanto's Motion to Extend the Comment Deadline until March 20, 2012?



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<sup>1</sup> The Commission did not conduct a Decision Meeting the week of March 12-16, 2012.