BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF PACIFICORP DBA)	CASE NO. PAC-E-15-14
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER)	
COMPANY'S APPLICATION FOR)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
AUTHORITY TO CANCEL ELECTRIC)	
SERVICE SCHEDULE NO. 71 – ENERGY)	NOTICE OF
EXCHANGE PROGRAM)	MODIFIED PROCEDURE
)	
)	ORDER NO. 33427

On November 20, 2015, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power (the "Company") filed an Application asking the Commission for authority to cancel Electric Service Schedule No. 71, its Energy Exchange Program. The Company asked that the Application be processed under Modified Procedure.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Rocky Mountain is a public utility in the State of Idaho, subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Application at 1; *Idaho Code* § 61-129.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Rocky Mountain first offered Electric Service Schedule No. 71, the Energy Exchange Program, to its customers in 2001 as an optional program "to reduce energy usage as quickly as possible." Application at 2. Customers who wished to participate had to "execute an energy exchange customer agreement with the Company," under which they would "voluntarily reduce their electricity usage in exchange for a payment at times and prices determined by the Company." *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that under the Exchange Program, Rocky Mountain notified participating customers "of an exchange event when market prices were such that it was economic for the Company to encourage customers to reduce energy usage." *Id.* In such event – called a "curtailment event" – those customers "had to maintain their electricity usage below the customer's baseline service for the duration of the specified event." *Id.* at 2, 3.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the program was available only to customers "with a monthly demand exceeding 1,000 kilowatts at least once during the [prior] twelve-month billing period." *Id.* at 2. Participants had to agree to have a Company-provided meter "capable of recording usage intervals no less than 15 minutes." *Id.*

NOTICE OF PETITION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 33427 YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that since its inception, participation in the program has been very limited; eight customers signed up in 2001 (four in Utah, two in Oregon, one in Washington, and one in Idaho). *Id.* at 2-3. No customers participated from 2001-2005. *Id.* at 3. Two Utah customers signed up from 2005-2008. *Id.* Since 2008, no customers have participated in the program. *Id.* No curtailment events have been offered since 2010. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that for commercial and industrial customers wishing to participate in the program, Rocky Mountain offers an Energy Profiler Online ("EPO") energy management product. *Id.* The EPO helps customers "monitor and more efficiently utilize their energy usage," and a component of the product is the "load curtailment module." *Id.* The current EPO contract expires at the end of 2015. *Id.* Rocky Mountain proposes to "stop purchasing the load curtailment module" of the EPO program with its new contract beginning in 2016. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that in support of its request to cancel Schedule No. 71 and the Energy Exchange Program, the Company cites the limited customer participation since the program began, and the lack of any customer participation since 2008. *Id.*

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .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 any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission within 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 Rocky Mountain at the addresses reflected below:

Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074

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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 Commission's home page located at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Case Comment or Question Form" under the "Consumers" tab, 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 Rocky Mountain Power at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company may file reply comments, if necessary, within 28 days from the service date of this Order.

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

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and its Attachment A have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The documents are also available on the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "File Room" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to "Open Electric Cases," then click on the case number shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code, and specifically *Idaho Code* § 61-336. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under that statute.

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.

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Rocky Mountain's Application shall 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 21 days from the service date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that reply comments by Rocky Mountain Power, if any, shall be due 28 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 2nd day of December 2015.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Commission Secretary

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