BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PACIFICORP DBA ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER FOR AUTHORITY TO MODIFY ELECTRIC SERVICE REGULATION NO. 12 RELATED TO LINE EXTENSION ALLOWANCES CASE NO. PAC-E-16-13 NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE NOTICE OF COMMENT DEADLINE ORDER NO. 33656

On October 3, 2016, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power filed an Application requesting that the Commission approve changes to the Company's Service Regulation No. 12 and its Service Schedule No. 300 relating to line extensions. In summary, the Company seeks to change the calculation methodology on how residential allowances are formulated and obtain permission from the Commission to modify distribution facilities charges as well as adding new transmission facilities charges. The Company proposed a February 28, 2017 effective date.

On October 14, 2016, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Order setting an intervention deadline of November 4, 2016. The Commission directed that Staff develop and recommend a comment schedule once the intervention deadline had passed. The intervention deadline passed with no intervening parties and Staff has requested that the Commission order that this matter be processed by Modified Procedure, and set comment and reply deadlines.

THE APPLICATION

A line extension is the extension of primary electric facilities to a customer's property, subdivision or commercial building. The Company's line extension policy is provided in the Company's Service Regulation No. 12, and its Service Schedule No. 300. The last major change to these protocols was in 1996. *See* Case No. UPL-E-96-04. The policies were modified in 2008 to improve the refund process for residential customers. *See* Case No. PAC-E-08-06.

Rocky Mountain requests a change in the calculation methodology of how residential allowances are formulated. The Company further seeks permission from the Commission to modify distribution facilities charges and add new transmission facilities charges.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filing in this action, and 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 or party desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission **no later than January 19, 2017**. 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:

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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 <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. 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 at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company may file reply comments, if necessary, no later than February 2, 2017.

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 supporting documents have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application and testimonies are also available on the Commission's web site at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Click on the "File Room" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to "Open Electric Cases," and then click on the case number as 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, including *Idaho Code* §§ 61-502 and -507. 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 this case be processed by Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case, or protesting the use of Modified Procedure, should do so no later than January 19, 2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that reply comments, if any, may be filed no later than February 2, 2017.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 22^{nd} day of November 2016.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

AR

ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell (Commission Secretary

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