BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

)	CASE NO. PAC-E-16-14
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)	ORDER NO. 33679

On October 11, 2016, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power applied for an Order establishing that it prudently incurred demand-side management (DSM) expenditures in 2014 and 2015 of \$7,460,715. Generally, DSM refers to utility activities and programs that encourage customers to use less overall energy or use less energy during peak usage hours. Rocky Mountain's DSM programs include: Low Income Weatherization/Education (Schedule 21); Refrigerator Recycling (Schedule 117); Home Energy Saver (Schedule 118); Home Energy Reports (no tariff); Non-Residential Energy Efficiency/wattsmart Business (Schedule 140).

On November 1, 2016, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and set a deadline of November 22, 2016, for interested parties to petition for intervention. CAPAI filed a timely petition, and was granted intervention.

Staff has recommended processing the Application by Modified Procedure, as requested, and setting a comment deadline of March 15, 2017, and an April 5, 2017 reply deadline.

With this Order the Commission authorizes the use of Modified Procedure and establishes deadlines for the filing of written comments.

BACKGROUND

The Company declares that it has offered a variety of DSM programs to its customers since the 1970s. More recently, in 2006, the Commission approved the Company's current DSM portfolio, and provided the Company with a cost recovery mechanism. Typically, DSM programs have two parts. First, the utility designs and implements programs to promote energy efficiency and conservation—reducing customer demand for energy. Second, utilities

periodically report on the effectiveness of those programs and seek permission to recover the deferred costs.

In March 2006, the Commission authorized Rocky Mountain to establish a DSM tariff rate (or "rider") as a separate line item on customers' bills under tariff Schedule 191. See Order No. 29976. The DSM rider is the mechanism used to recover the costs of the DSM programs. The Company is authorized to defer the costs of its DSM programs until the Commission finds that the "Company's DSM expenditures and programs are or will be found to be reasonably and prudently incurred and executed." Order No. 29976 at 6.

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 desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission no later than March 15, 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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Comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this 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

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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 address listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company may file reply comments, if necessary, **no later than April 5, 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.

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 March 15, 2017.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that reply comments, if any, may be filed no later than April 5, 2017.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 20^{+4} day of December 2016.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

KRISTINE RAPER. COMMISSIONER

ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

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Commission Secretary

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