

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )**  
**OF PACIFICORP DBA ROCKY MOUNTAIN ) CASE NO. PAC-E-16-12**  
**POWER TO UPDATE BASE NET POWER )**  
**COSTS AND IMPLEMENT A RATE ) NOTICE OF**  
**STABILITY PLAN ) MODIFIED PROCEDURE**  
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**) ORDER NO. 33618**

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On September 1, 2016, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power applied to the Commission for an Order authorizing the Company to adjust the base level of net power costs (NPC) in its rates and to set a new base NPC to be tracked in the Energy Cost Adjustment Mechanism (ECAM). The Company also asks the Commission for an Order approving a new level of base retail load and authorizing the Company to adjust the Load Change Adjustment Rate (LCAR), Production Tax Credit (PTC) and Renewable Energy Credit (REC) rates.

The Company's Application, if approved, would *decrease* rates by an average of approximately 0.4 percent. The Company asks that the Commission authorize this matter to be processed by Modified Procedure and approve the new base NPC, new base retail load, and the new LCAR, PTC and REC rates. As an alternative to reducing rates, the Company proposes a Rate Stability Plan under which rates would remain unchanged and the Company would apply the incremental revenues that result from the reduction in base NPC to the depreciation deferral from the 2013 depreciation study. The Company indicates that it intends to engage parties in a discussion of the Plan. If the parties cannot reach agreement on the alternative Rate Stability Plan, the Company requests approval of the changes to the rates shown in the tariff revisions included in Attachment A to its Application to be effective January 1, 2017.

The Commission issued an Order providing Notice of Application, setting a deadline for interventions, and directing the parties to confer about a proposed schedule and report their proposal to the Commission. Order No. 33597. The Commission received and granted petitions for intervention from PacifiCorp Idaho Industrial Customers; Monsanto Company; and Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association, Inc. Order Nos. 33599, 33600, and 33601.

**PARTIES' PROPOSED SCHEDULE**

The parties conferred informally and agreed to the following schedule under Modified Procedure:

October 19, 2016            Parties' meeting to discuss negotiated solutions  
November 17, 2016        Comment deadline for parties  
November 30, 2016        Company reply deadline

The Commission finds it reasonable to adopt the parties' proposed schedule.

**NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE**

YOU ARE HEREBY 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 31.01.01.201-204. 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 the **parties** in this matter may file a written comment in support or in opposition with the Commission **by no later than Thursday, November 17, 2016.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any member of the **public** desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or in opposition with the Commission **by no later than Thursday, November 17, 2016.** IDAPA 31.01.01.202.02. All comments 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 may be mailed to the Commission and Company at the addresses reflected below:

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

Street Address for Express Mail:

472 W. Washington Street  
Boise, ID 83702-5918

Ted Weston  
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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](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click the "Case Comment or Question Form" under the "Consumers" tab, and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Company at the e-mail address listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company may file reply comments, if necessary, **by no later than Wednesday, November 30, 2016.**

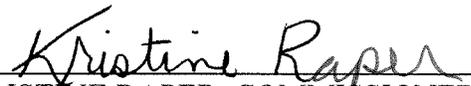
YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and,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

### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case be processed under Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Parties and persons interested in submitting comments must do so by November 17, 2016. The Company must file a reply, if any, by November 30, 2016.

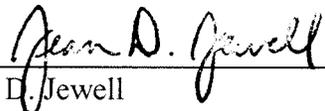
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this day of October 2016.

  
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PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

  
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KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

  
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ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
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Jean D. Jewell  
Commission Secretary

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