

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN) CASE NO. PAC-E-22-10
POWER’S APPLICATION FOR)
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ELECTRIC) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
SERVICE SCHEDULE 191 –CUSTOMER)
EFFICIENCY SERVICES RATE.) NOTICE OF
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
)
) ORDER NO. 35483

On July 8, 2022, PacifiCorp d/b/a Rocky Mountain Power (“Company”) applied to the Commission for authority to increase its Electric Service Schedule 191—the Customer Efficiency Services Rate (“Schedule 191”), to align revenue collections with demand-side management (“DSM”) expenditures. *Application* at 1. If approved, the Schedule 191 rate would increase from 2.25% to 2.5%, effective October 1, 2022. *Id.* The Company requested its Application be processed by Modified Procedure. If approved, this rate increase will result in an approximate \$2.76 per year increase to the average residential customer using 783 kilowatt-hours per month.

The Commission now provides this Notice of Application and establishes comment deadlines for interested persons and the Company’s reply.

BACKGROUND

The Company has offered DSM programs to customers since 1970. Since 2006, the Company has recovered its DSM program costs from customers through Schedule 191.

On April 1, 2022, the Commission rejected the Company’s previous Application to adjust Schedule 191 from 2.25% to 2.75%, because the Company included programs pending Commission approval in forecasted DSM calculations. *See* Order No. 35363. The Commission subsequently approved the Company’s Wattsmart Battery Demand Response program (“Wattsmart”) in Case No. PAC-E-21-16, Order No. 35370, and the Company has adjusted its DSM expenditures accordingly.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that as of April 30, 2022, the Company states that the balance for Schedule 191 is over-collected by \$255,450. However, due to increased DSM program expenses and the rollout of new programs, including Wattsmart, the Company projects

that the DSM balancing account will be \$1.16 million under-collected by the end of 2024 without adjustment. *Application* at 3.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company proposes a Schedule 191 rate increase from 2.25% to 2.5%, effective October 1, 2022. *Id.* at 1. The Company expects a gradual alignment of the DSM balancing account over a three-year period. *Id.* at 3.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company asserted that it has and will provide notice to its customers about the rate increase proposed in its Application through a press release and customer notice, copies of which are attached to the Company's Application. The Company stated the customer notices will be included in the July/August 2022 billing cycles.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and Attachments are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "ELECTRIC" icon, select "Open Cases," and 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.

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.*

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 it will review the case through written submissions under the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure Rules 201-204 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 persons desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment explaining why they support or oppose the Application. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. **Persons shall have until September 7, 2022, to file written comments.** Comments must be filed through the Commission's website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the

“Case Comment Form” and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. To file by e-mail, the customer must e-mail the comments to the Commission Secretary and the Company at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and Company at these addresses:

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments **by September 14, 2022.**

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 the Company’s Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rules 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by **September 7, 2022.** The Company must file any reply comments by **September 14, 2022.**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties comply with Order No. 35375, issued April 21, 2022. Generally, all pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and will be

deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should continue to be accomplished electronically when possible. However, voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 3rd day of August 2022.



ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

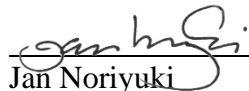


JOHN CHATBURN, COMMISSIONER



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Commission Secretary

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