BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	CASE NO. PAC-E-22-13
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER FOR)	
AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT A BATTERY)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAM	
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On August 25, 2022, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power ("Company") applied for authority to start a "Class 1 commercial and industrial demand response program under the existing Schedule 114 load management tariff within the demand side management ("DSM") portfolio." Application at 1. The Company requested an effective date of January 1, 2023. The Company asks that the case be processed by Modified Procedure.

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company represented that its Schedule 114 approved in Case No. PAC-E-21-16, is a flexible tariff for implementation of load management programs. *Id.* at 2. The Company stated that Wattsmart Battery program is the only demand response program currently approved under Schedule 114. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company seeks to add the Wattsmart Business Demand Response Program ("Program") to the Schedule 114 flexible tariff. *Id.* The Program is designed to provide "financial incentives to customers who curtail load during Company initiated events." *Id.* at 2. The Company may utilize the Program "to provide peak load reduction, contingency reserves, frequency response, and other grid services to assist with effectively managing the overall electric grid." *Id.* at 2.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, according to the Company, the program design from PAC-E-21-16 (Electric Service Schedule 114) should be compatible in allowing this Program to do the following:

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[W]ork with large commercial and industrial customers who are served by the Company in the state of Idaho taking service under the Company's electric service schedules listed on Schedule 191 - Customer Efficiency Services Rate Adjustment, with curtailable loads greater than 500 kW that can be curtailed with no advance notice or limited advance notice (7-minutes).

Id.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company proposes that its Program will offer rates based upon whether the curtailment is considered a "real-time event" or an "advanced notice event." *Id.* The Company differentiates these two events by stating that "[a]n automated dispatch without advanced notice and a total response time within 50 seconds is considered a real-time event, and a dispatch event with an advanced notice and response within 7 minutes is considered an advanced notice event." *Id.* "The initially offered amounts for real time and advance notice individual incentives will be set at \$100/kW, and \$175/kw if customer equipment is able to participate in both options." *Id.* at 5. The Company states that, if this proposal is approved, its representatives will meet with large commercial and industrial customers and discuss site-specific options for participation. *Id.* at 2. Qualifying customers will have the option to participate in the real-time program, the advanced notice program, or both programs. *Id.* at 5.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Exhibits A and B of the Application have proposed changes, incorporating the Program, to the Company's Electric Service Schedule and tariff. The Company states that such changes, if approved, would still accommodate the parameters set forth in PAC-E-21-16, and that the Program would still be managed pursuant to the flexible tariff process. *Id.* at 7

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company has provided cost-effective analysis data for the Commission to review as part of this process. *Id*.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company's Application and proposed tariff sheets are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's home page at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "ELECTRIC" tab in the left-hand column of the home page, then select "Open Cases" and then locate 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. The Commission may enter any final order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted under the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000, *et seq.*

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION DEADLINE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to intervene in this matter to obtain parties' rights of participation must file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission pursuant to this Commission's Rules of Procedure 72 and 73, IDAPA 31.01.01.072 and .073. Persons who wish to intervene as a party must file a Petition to Intervene no later than 21 days after the date of service of this Order. Such persons shall also provide the Commission Secretary with their email address to facilitate further communications. After the intervention deadline runs, the Commission Secretary shall issue a Notice of Parties that identifies the parties and assigns exhibit numbers to each party. Once the Notice of Parties has issued, Commission Staff shall informally confer with the Company and any intervening parties about how to further process this case and shall then report back to the Commission on a proposed case schedule.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons who would like to present their views without parties' rights of participation and cross-examination do not have to intervene but may present their views by submitting written comments to the Commission.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the following persons are designated as the Company's representatives in this matter:

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The Company filed its Application on August 25, 2022, and proposes a January 1, 2023, effective date. The Commission finds the Company's proposed effective date does not provide adequate time for Commission Staff and interested persons to evaluate the Company's proposal. Pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 61-622, the Commission suspends the proposed effective date until February 15, 2023.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that persons desiring to intervene in this case for the purpose of obtaining parties' rights of participation must file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission, under Rules 72 and 73, IDAPA 31.01.01.72-73, no later than 21 days after the service date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the January 1, 2023, effective date proposed by the Company is suspended until February 15, 2023.

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 20th day of October 2022.

ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

JOHN CHATBURN, COMMISSIONER

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