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The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power

Case ID: PAC-E-22-15

Comment: "Rocky Mountain Power's proposed rate modernization plan penalizes low volume customers to the benefit of high volume customers and is detrimental to the public interest. RMP encourages energy conservation with one hand while attempting to penalize those who conserve with this plan. RMP sends a monthly report to customers which compares energy usage between neighbors, grades lower volume users as "better," and suggests ways to lower consumption. RMP may be sincere in these encouragements, however, they seek to charge more money to those who follow their advice. They are looking for a win-win for them and a lose-lose for low volume customers. The customer has no duty to be near average volume usage, and is, in fact, encouraged by RMP to be a below average user. RMP touts that the plan will 'stabilize' low volume customers' monthly bill. It is hardly a benefit to stabilize a bill when the method is simply just to charge more overall each month. RMP's plan is contrary to Idaho values. Individual responsibility dictates that customers who use more should pay more. This plan seeks to make customers who use less to pay more. Commissioners, please reject RMP's proposed rate modernization plan. "

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Idaho Falls, Idaho

April 18, 2023

COMMENT FORM

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This "rate modernization plan" will aggressively increase the base rate over the next five years, which will disproportionately affect those who use little power from Rocky Mountain Power. Whether that be smaller households, those who make conscious efforts to conserve electricity usage, or those who have installed alternative generation methods, it will quickly affect their costs. If and when this proposal were to be implemented, my family will be paying over \$180 more per my calculations (per year). An increase from \$8 to \$28.25 in just five years seems very quick and, as I said, aggressive. Please consider slowing down this rapid increase in the base rate so customers like me might have time to adjust and adapt to the changes.

Thank you!

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