# BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN	)	CASE NO. PAC-E-23-23
POWER'S APPLICATION TO REVISE	)	
ELECTRIC SERVICE SCHEDULE NO. 197	)	<b>ORDER NO. 36035</b>
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On October 30, 2023, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power ("Company") filed an application ("Application") with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") requesting authority to update Electric Service Schedule 197 ("Schedule 197").

The Company represents that Schedule 197 was developed to pass along a rate reduction associated with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, "TCJA". Application at 1. The Company requested to update the current Schedule 197 rate on January 1, 2024, due to the remaining excess deferred income tax of \$8.5 million being fully amortized. *Id.* The Company stated that Schedule 197 currently varies from -0.268¢ to -0.078¢ per kilowatt hour ("kWh") depending on the rate schedule. *Id.* The Company represented that the proposed change would result in a rate of 0.000¢ per kWh for all rate schedules. *Id.* 

# **STAFF COMMENTS**

Staff reviewed the Company's Application, responses to Production Requests, supporting documents, and prior cases and Commission orders. Staff recommended the Commission accept the changes to Schedule 197 as proposed by the Company. Staff believed that all requirements of Rule 125 have been followed by the Company when issuing customers notices and press releases. However, Staff recommended the Commission consider any late filed public comments.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

As of December 18, 2023, the Commission has received one public comment opposing the Application because rates will increase.

### **COMMISSION FINDINGS AND DECISION**

The Commission has jurisdiction over the Company's Application and the issues in this case under Title 61 of the Idaho Code including *Idaho Code* §§ 61-301 through 303. The Commission is empowered to investigate rates, charges, rules, regulations, practices, and contracts of all public utilities and to determine whether they are just, reasonable, preferential,

discriminatory, or in violation of any provisions of law, and to fix the same by order. *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501 through 503.

Having reviewed the Application, the record, the comments of the parties, all public comments, and all submitted materials, the Commission finds that it is fair, just, and reasonable to approve the Application as filed.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application is approved as filed.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date upon this Order regarding any matter decided in this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. *Idaho Code* §§ 61-626 and 62-619.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023.

ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER

EDWARD LODGE, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Monica Barrios-Sanckez
Interim Commission Secretary

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