

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN	)	CASE NO. PAC-E-25-16
POWER'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL	)	
TO PARTIALLY DECOMMISSION AND	)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
SELL CERTAIN FALL CREEK	)	
HYDROELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT	)	NOTICE OF MODIFIED
ASSETS	)	PROCEDURE
	)	
	)	ORDER NO. 36813

On September 4, 2025, Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp ("Company") applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") requesting an order approving the sale of certain Fall Creek Hydroelectric Development assets ("Fall Creek Development") to the City of Yreka, California and a determination that the decommissioning and property disposition is in the public interest.

With this Order we issue notice of the Company's Application and set public comment and Company reply deadlines.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company requests approval to partially decommission and sell assets and associated lands of the Fall Creek Development, located on the California-Oregon border in Jackson County, Oregon and Siskiyou County, California, to the City of Yreka, California. Application at 2-3.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company states that it has evaluated the future of the Fall Creek Development and determined that it must either be relicensed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") or removed from the existing Klamath Hydroelectric Project license through a license surrender or amendment process. *Id.* at 4.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company believes that because of the facility's limited generation capacity, its run-of-river design with finite storage capability, the anticipated costs associated with meeting new relicensing requirements, and the absence of other hydroelectric developments in the area, transferring ownership of the Fall Creek Development to the City of Yreka is a more viable path forward than continuing operations under a new FERC license. *Id.* at 5.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company states that the City of Yreka has agreed to acquire the Fall Creek Development facilities, real property located in both Siskiyou County, California, and Jackson County, Oregon, personal property associated with the facilities, as well as associated contractual rights and certain permitted encumbrances. *Id.* at 5-6.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company states that as of June 2025, the net book value of the Fall Creek Development assets on a total-Company basis was approximately \$286,000. *Id.* at 6. The Company believes that transferring these assets would not involve any “construction, development, or any other ground-disturbing activities that would affect the appropriation, diversion, or use of water.” *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company believes the partial decommissioning of the Fall Creek Development facility will cost the Company approximately \$500,000. *Id.* at 7.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company believes the decommissioning and sale of the Fall Creek Development is in the public interest because it is lower cost and lower risk than continuing to operate the facility, wholesale and retail customers will not be impacted, and there will be minimal impact on the Company’s general capacity. *Id.* at 8. Additionally, the Company believes that the proposed transaction will have no impact on customer rates. *Id.* at 10.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission’s office. The Application is 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, and 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 that it will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to the Commission’s Rules of Procedure 201-204, 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 the person supports or opposes the Application. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments and explain why written comments alone are insufficient. **Persons interested in filing written comments, must do so by December 2, 2025.** 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 <http://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, persons must e-mail the comments to the Commission Secretary and all parties at the e-mail addresses listed below. Persons submitting a comment by e-mail must provide their name, address, and the Case Number under which they are commenting. Persons submitting a comment by e-mail also acknowledge that submitting a comment in an open case constitutes a public record under *Idaho Code* § 74-101(13), and all information provided by such person is available for public and media inspection.

If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and the Parties at the addresses below. Persons submitting a comment by mail must provide their name, address, and the Case Number under which they are commenting. Persons submitting a comment by mail also acknowledge that submitting a comment in an open case constitutes a public record under *Idaho Code* § 74-101(13), and all information provided by such person is available for public and media inspection.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments by **December 16, 2025**.

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 final 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 Application be processed under Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by **December 2, 2025**. The Company must file any reply comments by **December 16, 2025**.

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 22nd day of October 2025.


EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT


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