

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN) CASE NO. PAC-E-26-07
POWER’S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL)
OF UPDATED VARIABLE ENERGY PRICES) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR QFs PURSUANT TO TERMS OF THE)
1992 AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN POWER) NOTICE OF MODIFIED
PURCHASE AGREEMENTS) PROCEDURE
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) **ORDER NO. 37038**

On April 16, 2026, Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp (“Company”) applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the updated Qualifying Facility (“QF”) variable energy price pursuant to the terms of the 1992 amendments to certain Idaho QFs power purchase agreements (“Application”). The Company requested a July 1, 2026, effective date.

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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Commission Order No. 29316 approved a revision to the variable energy price for QFs holding certain power sales contracts, with an effective date of July 1, 2003. Application at 2. 13 of the revised QFs had Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (“PURPA”) contracts with the Company that included a Commission approved 1992 Amendment outlining a methodology used for determining the variable energy price component of the avoided cost rate. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that of the 13 QF contracts originally subject to the 1992 Amendment, only one QF contract remains in effect. *Id.* The Company states that the Marsh Valley Hydro contract is in effect through February 28, 2028. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that per the 1992 Amendment, the variable energy rate is the sum of the Company’s fuel costs and Colstrip variable operation and maintenance cost. *Id.* The Company states that the average cost of fuel consumed at the Utah Division coal plants for the calendar year 2025 was \$39.47 per megawatt hour (“MWh”), and the variable operation and maintenance expense set for Colstrip generating facility is \$1.51 per MWh.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company proposed the variable energy rate applicable to deliveries from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, of \$40.98 per MWh. *Id.* at 3.

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 within 21 days of the service date of this Order.** 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 **within 28 days of the service date of this Order.**


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 **within 21 days of the service date of this Order.** The Company must file any reply comments **within 28 days of the service date of this Order.**

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 7th day of May 2026.


EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT


JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER


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