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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER REQUESTING A) CASE NO. PAC-E-14-07
PRUDENCY DETERMINATION ON ITS)
DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT) COMMENTS OF THE
EXPENDITURES FOR YEARS 2010-2013.) COMMISSION STAFF
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The Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission by and through its attorneys submits the following comments regarding the above referenced case.

BACKGROUND

On July 7, 2014, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power (“Rocky Mountain Power” or “the Company”) filed an Application requesting the Commission find that the utility prudently incurred \$25,765,486 in demand-side management (DSM) expenditures for the years 2010 through 2013. This amount includes \$17,664,805 funded through Schedule 191 (Customer Efficiency Services Rate Adjustment) and \$8,100,681 from Irrigation Load Control incentive payments. “DSM” generally refers to utility activities and programs that encourage customers to use less overall energy or use less energy during peak usage hours. Rocky Mountain’s energy efficiency programs include: Low Income Weatherization/Education (Schedule No. 21); FinAnswer Express (Schedule No. 115); Refrigerator Recycling (Schedule No. 117); Home Energy Saver (Schedule No. 118); Energy FinAnswer (Schedule No. 125); and Agricultural