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In Matter of the Acknowledgement of PacifiCorp's  
Integrated Resource Plan 2007  
Docket No. 07-2035-01

To Whom It May Concern:

Salt Lake City is pleased to have the opportunity to comment on PacifiCorp's Draft 2007 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). As Salt Lake City becomes a national and international leader in environmental protection measures, we support industry decisions that will benefit our region economically and improve the natural environment. Our involvement in the IRP process is vital to achieving this goal.

Salt Lake City government is committed to improving regional air quality and slowing global climate change. In 2002, we set a goal in our municipal operations to abide by at least the emissions reductions for the United States as outlined in the Kyoto Protocol. In doing so we committed to a 21% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from our 2001 levels by 2012. By 2006, we already achieved 148% of this goal and reduced greenhouse gas emissions in our municipal operations by over 31%.

While PacifiCorp's recent Integrated Resource Plan addresses the state's increasing need for energy, it fails to adequately address the devastating economic and environmental risks of human-caused global warming. It is with this in mind that Salt Lake City agrees with, and supports, the comments submitted by the Western Resource Advocates on August 31, for IRP Docket No. 07-2035-01.

We acknowledge the hard work that has gone into the IRP process and commend PacifiCorp for voluntarily increasing its investment in renewables; however, we feel the Company and the IRP are still far too reliant on pulverized coal for the generation of electricity. PacifiCorp

should be obligated to substantially invest in technologies that reduce and/or eliminate dangerous greenhouse gases and other pollutants. Continuing to allow PacifiCorp to rely on technologies that emit millions of tons of CO<sub>2</sub> and other pollutants into our atmosphere is contrary to the best interests of our community and the region.

A diverse portfolio of renewables, particularly solar PV and concentrating solar power, can meet our state's burgeoning peak energy demand. Utilizing geothermal sources of energy will help meet base load energy needs.

As we move into a carbon constrained world, the cost of energy will continue to rise, making renewable resources more attractive and cost effective for consumers - with fixed costs that lock in rates. It will also enable the utility to pay more for their Demand Side Management (DSM) incentive programs, providing a greater opportunity to drive conservation by all consumers.

Salt Lake City urges the Public Service Commission to review our comments on the 2007 Integrated Resource Plan and reject the current IRP until it is revised to include a more complete analysis of the costs, risks, and impacts of catastrophic global warming. We urge that PacifiCorp's procurement decisions be based on strategies that include substantial investment in renewable technologies and provide a better analysis of the negative environmental and health impacts of electricity generated by fossil fuels.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ross C. Anderson", written in a cursive style.

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