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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules and Regulations, notice is hereby given of the report of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) of a major event from a loss of power near the Platte substation on August 24, 2025, through August 25, 2025, as more fully described below.

- 1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon Corporation, engaged in the business of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, including Wyoming. RMP is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C) and 37-2-112.
- 2. On October 6, 2025, RMP filed a report detailing the effects from the loss of power near the Platte substation in southern Wyoming beginning August 24, 2025. The Company states in the report a lightning strike near the Platte substation located in the Rawlins, Wyoming area resulted in the failure of a 115 kilovolt (kV) lightning arrestor and both high-side transformer lines and created a cascading outage impacting 5,756 customers through August 25, 2025. Attempts to isolate and re-energize affected areas initially failed due to internal arcing and failed insulators inside the Platte substation, but service
- 3. The Company states the outage is a major event as defined by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., Standard 1366-2012. The Threshold of Major Event Day (TMED), State System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), and Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) service interruption thresholds were exceeded, which precipitates a major event report.

has been restored.

- 4. This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect it at the Commission's office or online at: https://dms.wyo.gov/ external/publicusers.aspx (Enter Record No. 17984).
- 5. Anyone wishing to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do so in writing filed with the Commission on or before January 2, 2026. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please be sure to mention Docket No. 20000-694-EA-25 in all correspondence with the Commission.
- 6. If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: December 2, 2025.

Pub. Dec. 11 & 18, 2025 No. 1991

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules and Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) for authority to maintain a common equity percentage of less than 44 percent, as more fully described below.

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- 2. On September 24, 2025, RMP filed an Application requesting authority to allow its direct parent company, PPW Holdings, LLC, (PPW Holdings) to maintain a common equity percentage below the 44 percent minimum equity level. The current equity percentage is 45.9 percent in accordance with the Commission approved 2006 merger in Docket No. 20000-EA-05-226. Due to accrued wildfire liabilities for the PacificCorp net of insurance, projections of increased long-term debt, and lower earnings for 2025 through 2026, PPW Holdings' consolidated actual capital structure equity level will reach below the 44 percent minimum equity percentage. To maintain enough capital to support the RMP and PacifiCorp system and investments in system reliability and wildfire mitigation plans, the common equity percentage needs to be temporarily reduced below 44 percent.

- 3. The Company states that while the debt will contribute to PPW Holdings' equity percentage decrease, RMP's planned investments are necessary and consistent with PacifiCorp's obligation to provide safe, reliable service to its customers.
- 4. This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect it at the Commission's office or online at: https://dms.wyo.gov/ external/publicusers.aspx (Enter Record No. 17980).
- 5. Anyone wishing to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do so in writing filed with the Commission on or before January 2, 2026. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding. Please be sure to mention Docket No. 20000-692-EA-25 in all correspondence with the Commission.
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Dated: December 1, 2025.

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Notice to Vendors

Northeast Wyoming Boces (NEW **BOCES**) and its Member Agencies -(All Wyoming, SD, and Utah School Districts Colleges, Charter Schools, Municipalities, Child Development Centers and Non- Profits) are requesting sealed solicitations.

These sealed solicitations will be received by the Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies (AEPA) on behalf of its 31 State Member Agencies until:

1:30 p.m. ET, February 12, 2026

Solicitations: 026.5-A Industrial Arts and Career & Tech Supplies and 026.5-B Institutional Kitchen Equip-

All responses shall be submitted online via Euna Procurement by the due date and time listed above. Vendors are requested to visit AEPA's website at https://aepacoop.org/registration-solicitations/ for instructions on how to register at no cost with Euna Procurement. AEPA documents will be released on January 7, 2026. Note that Vendors must be able to provide their proposed products and services in up to 31 states.

Solicitations will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. ET, February 12, 2026 at EducationPlus, 1460 Craig Road, St. Louis, MO 63146. An opening record will be posted to AEPACOOP.org.

Northeast Wyoming Boces is Opening Their Cooperative to Bids for the following -Solicitations: Vehicles, Digital Resources, Playgrounds, Janitorial Supplies, Equipment, HVAC, Roofing and other. Bidding to close February 28th 2026 at 5pm

Solutions will be publicly opened at 1PM Mountain time on March 3rd at 410 N Miller Avenue, Gillette, WY 82718.

Bidding Documents will be on public purchase. Please reach out to bleonard@ newboces.org for any questions.

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STATE OF IN THE WYOMING DISTRICTCOURT

COUNTY OF FIFTH JUDICIAL HOT SPRINGS) DISTRICT

No. 2025-CV-0000050

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAROL SKERJANEC, also known as CAROL D. SKERJANEC, also known as CAROL DIANA SKERJANEC, Deceased.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR DECREE

TO THE PUBLIC AND ALL PER-SONS INTERESTED IN SAID PROP-ERTY:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Application for Decree for ownership

of mineral interests pursuant to W.S.

§2-1-201 & 2-1-205, for the mineral interests described below has been filed in the Fifth Judicial District Court in Hot Springs County, Wyoming, where RICHARD SKERJANEC claims to be the sole heir under the Last Will of Carol D. Skerianec who died on or about March 31, 2025, in Boulder, Boulder County, Colorado. In said application RICHARD SKERJANEC claims he is entitled to the mineral interests further described as follows:

A three-sixteenths (3/16) undivided interest in and to all oil, coal and other minerals on, in and under the following described land, to-wit:

Township 47 North, Range 98 West, 6th P.M.

Section 28: SW1/4NW1/4, NW1/4SW1/4 Section 29: SE1/4NE1/4, NE1/4SE1/4,

S1/2S1/2 Section 30: Lot 3, Lot 4, E1/2SW1/4,

Section 31: NE1/4NE1/4 Section 32: N1/2NW1/4, NW1/4NE1/4

Township 47 North, Range 99 West, 6th P.M.

Section 25: SE1/4SE1/4

A three-eighths (3/8) undivided interest in and to all oil, coal and other minerals on, in and under the following described land, to-wit:

Township 47 North, Range 98 West, 6th P.M. Section 32: S1/2NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4

A one-eighth (1/8) undivided interest

in and to all oil, coal and other minerals on, in and under the following described land, to wit:

Township 47 North, Range 98 West,

Section 28: N1/2NW1/4

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to W.S. §2-1-205(f) an objection to the Application shall be filed with the Court before the expiration of the later of twenty (20) days after the mailing if the Notice is mailed to a recipient, or thirty (30) days after the date of first publication of this Notice, and if such objection is not filed, it will be forever barred.

Direct Inquiries To: Jerry D. Williams, Williams Law Office 339 Arapahoe, Thermopolis, WY 82443 307 - 864 - 2517

Pub. Dec. 18 & 25, 2025 No. 1995

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND

FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR **HIGHWAY WORK**

Notice is hereby given that the Wyoming Department of Transportation has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming and Barnum, Inc. The Contractor, on Highway Project Number N343045 in Hot Springs County, consisting of slope flattening and the Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on January 28, 2026

The date of the first publication of this Notice is **December 18, 2025.**

Pam Fredrick Senior Budget Analyst Budget Program Wyoming Department of Transportation

Pub. Dec. 18 & 25, 2025 No. 1994

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF

TRANSPORTATION CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR

HIGHWAY WORK

Notice is hereby given that the Wyoming Department of Transportation has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming and Mountain Construction Co.. The Contractor, on Highway Project Number N343047 in Hot Springs County, consisting of HPM level & overlay, chip seal, fence and miscellaneous work and the Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on **January 28, 2026**

The date of the first publication of this

Notice is **December 18, 2025.**

Pam Fredrick Senior Budget Analyst **Budget Program** Wyoming Department of Transportation

December 18, 2025

Pub. Dec. 18 & 25, 2025 No. 1993

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session on December 2, 2025, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Adam Estenson, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr., Rachel Hughes, and Dusty Lewis. Also present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Jim Jeunehomme, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Police Chief Pat Cornwell, Public Works Director Basil Sorensen, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Marshall Keller.

AGENDA: Following the pledge of allegiance, Dorman made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the agenda as presented. MINUTES: Larson made a motion,

seconded by Hughes and carried to approve the Council meeting minutes from November 4 and 18, 2025 and the work session minutes from November 4, 2025. BILLS: Lewis made a motion, second-

ed by Dorman and carried to approve the General, Enterprise and Special Fund bills for November 2025.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: THER-MOPOLIS FFA REQUEST: FFA members Alec Martinez and Mac McCumber requested permission to place a life jacket stand at the 8th Street Bridge. They noted FFA members were building the stands and Rotary helped with expenses. They also noted community volunteers would move the life vests from 8th street and the State Park back to the wedding of the waters. Larson made a motion. seconded by Lewis and carried to allow the life jacket stand to be placed near the 8th street bridge river access.

<u>DEPARTMENT REPORTS:</u> The following reports were available for review: police, engineering, streets and alleys, water, wastewater, sanitation and landfill.

TOWN ENGINEER: SOLID WASTE <u>CEASE & TRANSFER PROGRAM:</u> RESOLUTION 587: Barnett noted the Thermopolis transfer station was approved on the state DEQ list over a decade ago for \$2 million. The current cost estimate is \$3.397 million which does include rolling stock, but not beautification funds. Dorman made a motion, and Larson seconded to approve Resolution 587 and continue with the funding application. Discussion ensued, motion carried.

TOWN ENGINEER: McMANIGALS PLAT: Barnett noted all boundary and legal issues were settled. Dorman made a motion, seconded by Hughes and carried to allow the Mayor to sign the plat.

TOWN ATTORNEY: EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:15pm, Lewis made a motion, seconded by Hughes and carried to go into executive session as allowed by state statute 16-4-405 (a)(iii). The mayor and council returned to regular session at 7:24pm.

TOWN ATTORNEY: AN ORDI-NANCE TO REVISE FOOD PERMIT FEES: Keller reviewed the first reading which adds a definition for food truck and food trailer and lowers the transient merchant license from \$300 to \$50 per year. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the first reading of the ordinance, with the addition of a December 31st license ex-

ADMINISTRATION: CWC - CDL MOBILE TRAINING: LETTER OF SUPPORT: Lewis made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried allowing the Mayor to sign a letter of support for Central Wyoming College's federal grant request for a mobile CDL training unit.

ADMINISTRATION: BASE PAY **INCREASE:** Jeunehomme noted he would like the Town's wages to be similar to neighboring towns. He proposed a \$2/hour increase, effective January 1, 2026. He would also like to develop a pay schedule that would increase wages \$.50/hour/year, with a caveat that Mayor and Council could deny on a yearly basis. Further discussion ensued on creating a resolution setting a floor for the amount in reserves. An amount equal to six-months of expenses was mentioned. In discussion, Jeunehomme noted everyone would go up \$2.00/hour with the exception of the police department and dispatch, who were approved at the prior meeting. Larson made the motion to approve the \$2.00/hour increase, as noted above, effective January 1, 2026, seconded by Dorman and carried.

<u> ADMINISTRATION: MAYOR &</u> <u>COUNCIL PAY RATE INCREASE:</u> The current pay rates are \$50/meeting for council members and \$500 per month for the mayor. Keller noted the increase would be via ordinance and the increases would not be effective until after the next election for each position. Discussion ensued on public service and providing an incentive. Lewis noted he would like to see \$1,000 per month for the Mayor and \$75/meeting for council.

No decision was made. MAYOR & COUNCIL: OTHER: At

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7:53pm, Dorman made a motion, seconded by Hughes and carried to adjourn. The next council meeting is December 16, 2025, at 7pm.

BILLS: 71 Construction, Cold Mix, \$9,545.50; AFLAC, Insurance, \$370.26; American Welding, Welding Gas, \$167.56; BCN, Phone, \$103.43; Big Horn Water, Service, \$69; BNSF, Fees, \$50; Canyon Concrete, Concrete, \$543.00; Carquest, Supplies \$1,172.34; Caselle, Support, Software \$972; Core & Main, Valve Box, \$638.64; Brenda Cornwell, Epoxy, Painting & Shampooing, \$556.97; Patrick Cornwell, Mileage, \$176.88; Cummins, Service, \$4,976.82; Energy Labs, Service, \$1,035; Engineering Assoc., Service, \$18,869.59; Ferguson Waterworks, Parts, \$4,677.97; Grainger, Parts, \$145.34; Great West Trust, Retirement, \$800; Hawkins, Cylinder Fee, \$10; High Plains Power, Service, \$101.64; Hopper Disposal, Tires, \$3,107.20; HSC, PD Phone, \$278.56; HS Vet Clinic, Contract, \$955; HSCSD#1, Fuel, \$4,698.13; HSC Treasurer, Tax Collection, \$344.16; Heidi Hunt, Refund Overpayment, \$387; IR, Legal Ads, \$948.25; Insurance Trust, Premiums, \$31,357; Jadeco, Service, \$473; Keller Law, Service, \$4,400; Laird Sanitation, Service, \$100; Limb Walkers, Service, \$700; Merchant McIntyre, Retainer, \$5,000; Micro-Comm, Telemetry Contract, \$6,875; Miller Construction, Concrete work, \$60,441.11; Motor Power Equip., Radi-

ator, \$852.51; Murdoch, Fuel, \$4,848.07; Napa, Parts, \$1,854.17; NCPERS, Life Ins., \$192; One Call, Locates, \$22.05; Pace Analytical, Testing, \$300; Postmaster, Postage, \$760.31; Pro-Vision, Software, \$2,340; R&A Safety, Service, \$181; Railroad Mgmt, Fees, \$1,294.44; Range, Service, \$992.25; Rattlesnake Field Services, Repair High Service Line, \$25,383.80; Riverton Tire, Tire, \$509.38; Road Runner, Parts, \$2.63; Rocky Mt. Power, Service, \$18,098.66; Chris Seilaff, Mileage, \$353.76; Staples, Supplies, \$384; TextMyGov, Fees, \$2,500; Thermopolis Hardware, Supplies, \$424.38; T-Mobile, Phone, \$305.86; TOT, Depreciation, Labor, Utilities, \$86,973; Tractor & Equip, Parts, \$189.64; Traveling Computer, Service, \$267; Unum, Life Ins., \$97.06; Visa, Supplies, \$1,707.65; VSP, Insurance, \$242.99; WesTech, Partial Pymt-Clarifier, \$73,369.50; Williams Law Office, Service, \$900; Workforce Services, Workers Comp, \$5,405.29; WY Gas, Service, \$2,867.82; WY Retirement, Retirement, \$23,254.48; WY Rural Water, Dues & Classes, \$950.00; WY.Com, Service, \$65; WyoNet, Email, \$252; Youth Alternatives, Services, \$500; Payroll, \$99,196.16; Payroll Taxes, \$35,028.84.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Adam R. Estenson, Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor

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