



May 3, 2016

Doug Dean, Director
Colorado Public Utility Commission
1560 Broadway
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Denver, CO 80202

SUBJECT: 2015 RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD (RPS)
DOCKET NO. 16M-0212E

Dear Mr. Dean:

In compliance with the passage of the Colorado Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS), this letter serves as United Power, Inc.'s report of meeting its 2015 RPS requirement as outlined in Rule 3662.

Based on our 2015 energy purchases, United Power, Inc.'s compliance obligation of 6% of our energy requirements was 117,911.9 MWhs. Our system did have its own renewable resources on-line in 2015 in the amount of 55,542.2 MWhs. Therefore, our power supplier, Tri-State Generation and Transmission, Inc., retired 62,370.0 RECs (renewable energy credits) on our behalf from their Colorado eligible RPS resources, which includes the multipliers for selected fuels and technologies.

Also attached is a letter from Tri-State attesting to the permanent retirement of 62,370.0 RECs on behalf of United Power, Inc.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact us.

Best regards,

Ronald D. Asche, CEO
United Power, Inc.



TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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April 29, 2016

Ronald Asche
United Power, Inc.
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Subject: 2015 Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) / Docket NO. 16M-0212E

Dear Ron,

This letter is sent to you for your use in compliance with your 2015 Colorado Renewable Portfolio Standard. Tri-State, as your power supplier, is attesting with this letter and the enclosed document that we have permanently retired enough renewable energy credits to meet your Colorado Renewable Portfolio Standard 2015 obligation.

With the passage of a statewide Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) in Colorado, Tri-State and its Member Systems were jointly affected by these standards. While Tri-State has the responsibility of meeting the long-term power supply requirements of its Member Systems, the RPS requirements apply specifically to the Member Systems. Tri-State has acquired the necessary Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) to meet the Member Systems' requirements, which the Member Systems do not fulfill on their own. Colorado RPS rules require qualifying utilities to report on compliance by June 1 for the prior compliance year (Rule 3662(a)).

In accordance with our records and United Power, Inc.'s Form 7, your compliance obligation of 6 percent of your energy requirements for 2015 was 117,911.9 MWhs. Our records also indicate that your system had its own renewable resources on-line in 2015 that produced 55,542.232 MWhs. Therefore, Tri-State, to meet our obligation for you under the Contract, has retired 62,370 RECs (renewable energy credits) on your behalf from Colorado eligible RPS resources, which includes the multipliers for selected fuels and technologies.

It is your responsibility and requirement to file this letter and attachment with the Colorado Public Utilities Commission to demonstrate United Power, Inc.'s compliance with the 2015 RPS requirement.

Sincerely,

Micheal S. McInnes
Chief Executive Officer

Enclosures

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Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc.
Colorado 2015 Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Compliance Report
COMPLIANCE (MANDATORY) REQUIREMENTS

Line No.	Colorado Members	2015 Form 7 Colorado Total Retail Electric Sales (MWh) (b)	2015 Colorado RPS Requirement at 6 Percent (MWh) (c)	2015 Member Self-Generated Renewable Supplies Before Multiplier (MWh) (d)	Less: 2015 Member Self-Generated Renewable Supplies With Multiplier (MWh) (e)	Net 2015 Colorado RPS Requirement Met by Tri-State For Members (MWh) (f)	Net 2015 (Rounded) Colorado RPS Requirement Met by Tri-State For Members (MWh) (g)
1	Delta Montrose Electric Association	570,781.6	34,246.9	17,106.344	34,246.900	-	-
2	Empire Electric Association, Inc.	729,103.0	43,746.2	2,004.520	4,906.030	38,840.2	38,841
3	Gunnison County Electric Association, Inc.	114,164.1	6,849.8	13.922	36.919	6,812.9	6,813
4	High West Energy	74,270.0	4,456.2	-	-	4,456.2	4,457
5	Highline Electric Association	341,293.0	20,477.6	12,514.824	15,716.180	4,761.4	4,762
6	K.C. Electric Association	191,486.9	11,489.2	-	-	11,489.2	11,490
7	La Plata Electric Association, Inc.	932,916.8	55,975.0	38,391.632	55,975.000	-	-
8	Morgan County Rural Electric Association	254,005.7	15,240.3	80.202	236.826	15,003.5	15,004
9	Mountain Parks Electric, Inc.	271,863.8	16,311.8	-	-	16,311.8	16,312
10	Mountain View Electric Association, Inc.	794,719.0	47,683.1	-	-	47,683.1	47,684
11	Poudre Valley Rural Electric Association, Inc.	1,126,749.8	67,605.0	9,110.606	14,895.500	52,709.5	52,710
12	San Isabel Electric Association, Inc.	451,925.0	27,115.5	13,557.750	27,115.500	-	-
13	San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.	190,742.0	11,444.5	1,412.492	2,824.984	8,619.5	8,620
14	San Miguel Power Association, Inc.	191,840.6	11,510.4	6,473.203	11,294.865	215.5	216,000
15	Sangre De Cristo Electric Association, Inc.	110,294.3	6,617.7	1,490.110	4,088.433	2,529.3	2,530,000
16	Southeast Colorado Power Association	187,154.6	11,229.3	322.865	534.056	10,695.2	10,696
17	United Power, Inc.	1,965,198.4	117,911.9	32,517.570	55,542.232	62,369.7	62,370
18	White River Electric Association, Inc.	759,473.7	45,568.4	-	-	45,568.4	45,569
19	Y-W Electric Association, Inc.	327,507.9	19,650.5	-	-	19,650.5	19,651
20	Total Colorado	9,585,490.2	575,129.3	134,996.040	227,413.425	347,715.9	347,725
<u>Tri-State Renewable Retirements (CO RES)</u>		2015 Used Resources (MWh)	Resource Multiplier	2015 Resources (RECs) With Multiplier	Percent of Total	Resource Vintage	
21	Kit Carson Windpower, LLC	64,000	1.25	80,000	23.01%	2011	
22	WAPA - LAP, WY (Small Hydro)	190,274	1.00	190,274	54.72%	2010	
23	WAPA - LAP, WY (Small Hydro)	77,451	1.00	77,451	22.27%	2011	
24	Total	331,725.0		347,725	100.00%		

Note: This data represents the renewable portfolio obligations by Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association's Members serving Colorado and the resources utilized to meet those obligations. Tri-State has permanently retired these renewable credits to meet the obligations.

Tri-State may have other available resources that are not required for this year's reporting.