

May 24, 2018

Doug Dean, Director Colorado Public Utility Commission 1560 Broadway 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Suite 250 Denver, CO 80202

Subject: 2017 Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) / Docket NO. 18M-0014E

Dear Mr. Dean:

In compliance with the passage of the Colorado Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS), this letter serves as United Power, Inc. report of meeting its 2017 RPS requirement as outlined in Rule 3662.

Based on our 2017 energy purchases, United Power, Inc's compliance obligation of 6% of our energy requirements was 129,143 MWhs. Our system did have its own renewable resources online in 2017 which produced energy in the amount of 109,584 RECs (renewable energy credits). Therefore, our power supplier, Tri-State Generation and Transmission, Inc., retired 19,560 RECs 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 19,560 RECs on the behalf of United Power, Inc.

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

Regards,

John D. Parker

Chief Executive Officer

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United Power, Inc.

## Colorado 2017 Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Compliance Report Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. COMPLIANCE (MANDATORY) REQUIREMENTS

	2017 Form 7	Λ.	Member Self- Generated	Less: Member Self- Generated	
	Colorado Total Retail Electric	2017 Colorado RPS Requirement at 6	Renewable Supplies Before	Renewable Supplies With	Net 2017 (Rounded) Colorado RPS
COLOI Melliners	(MWh)	(MWh)	(MWh)	(RECs)	(MWh)
(a)	(Q)	(c)	, (p)	(e)	( <b>b</b> )
Delta Montrose Electric Association	510,264	30,616	15,178	30,356	260
Empire Electric Association, Inc.	843,975	50,638	2,017	3,923	46,715
Gunnison County Electric Association, Inc.	116,363	6,982	•	3	6,982
High West Energy	101,955	6,117	•	•	6,117
Highline Electric Association	367,322	22,039	15,153	18,941	3,098
K.C. Electric Association	179,188	10,751	•	•	10,751
La Plata Electric Association, Inc.	930,987	55,859	24,018	37,750	18,109
Morgan County Rural Electric Association	332,686	19,961		•	19,961
Mountain Parks Electric, Inc.	277,978	16,679	200'5	5,097	11,582
Mountain View Electric Association, Inc.	851,705	51,102	•		51,102
Poudre Valley Rural Electric Association, Inc.	1,259,816	75,589	37,807	43,952	31,637
San Isabel Electric Association, Inc.	458,127	27,488	13,744	27,488	•
San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.	204,748	12,285	1,668	3,336	8,949
San Miguel Power Association, Inc.	189,439	11,366	5,946	10,310	1,057
Sangre De Cristo Electric Association, Inc.	112,268	6,736	2,193	4,685	2,051
Southeast Colorado Power Association	178,385	10,703	•	•	10,703
United Power, Inc.	2,152,387	129,143	88,795	109,584	19,560
White River Electric Association, Inc.	780,808	46,848	41	41	46,808
Y-W Electric Association, Inc.	328,190	19,691	-	-	19,691
Total Colorado	10,176,592	610,596	211,656	295,463	315,133

		Resources Used for 2017		Resources Used for 2017 Retirements w/		
	Tri-State Renewable Retirements (CO RES)	Retirements (MWh)	Retirements (MWh) Resource Multiplier	Multiplier (RECs)	Percent of Total	Resource Vintage
72	l8	42,966	various	000'29	21.26%	2017
22	22 Kit Carson Windpower, LLC	105,269	1.25	131,586	41.76%	2012
23	23 Cimarron Solar	16,650	3.00	49,950	15.85%	2012
24	24 Colorado Highlands	26,960	1.25	33,700	10.69%	2012
25	25 WAPA Small Hydro, < 30MW - LAP, CO	32,898	1.00	32,898	10.44%	2012
26	Total	224,743		315,134	100.00%	

## Important Notes:

- 1) Resources include supplies from 2017 for members, if available
- 2) 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 will permanently retire these renewable credits to meet the obligations.

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

- 3) Retail Sales figures are obtained through Form 7 or member communication, and are exclusive of sale for resale or non-Calorado sales. 4) Remaining 2017 Requirement is rounded to nearest whole number
- 5) Please note a correction to the 2016 RPS Compliance Summary Spreadsheet. The number of WAPA small hydro RECs utilized was 19,380 instead of 3,947 and the number of Colorado Policy 117 RECs utilized was 24,846 instead of 40,279.



April 30, 2018

John Parker United Power, Inc. PO Box 929 Brighton, CO 80601

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Dear Mr. Parker,

This letter is sent to you for your use in compliance with your 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 (RECs) to meet your 2017 Colorado Renewable Portfolio Standard 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 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<sup>st</sup> for the prior compliance year (Rule 3662(a)).

In accordance with our records and United Power, Inc.'s 2017 retail sales, your compliance obligation of 6 percent of your energy requirements for 2017 was 129,143 MWhs. Our records also indicate that your system had its own renewable resources on-line in 2017 that produced 109,584 RECs. Therefore, Tri-State, to meet our obligation for you under the Contract, has retired 19,560 RECs 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 2017 RPS requirement.

Sincerely,

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**Enclosures** 

