

RESOLUTION 2019-09

WHEREAS, Delta Montrose Electric Association, (DMEA), has initiated action at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, (FERC), against Tri-State regarding Qualified Facilities; and,

WHEREAS, FERC has issued orders and decisions in support of DMEA about DMEA relief sought, specifically to permit DMEA to determine avoided costs based upon its avoided wholesale costs to facilitate the development of Local Renewable Qualified Facilities projects under FERC's PURPA laws; and

WHEREAS, Tri-State has appealed FERC's decision, EL16-39-001, the consequences of which have created uncertainty for the development of utility scale local renewable electric generation projects; and

WHEREAS, LPEA has received QF project requests from various QF developers who have expressed reluctance moving forward with their proposed project because of the litigation uncertainty; and,

WHEREAS, in the 2019 Colorado Legislature, a bill was passed, HB19-2016, that sets a decarbonization mandate for Tri-State, making it imperative for Tri-State to reduce the amount of carbon production from its carbon based fleet of generation assets, necessitating the development of utility scale generation projects like the ones proposed by QF developers within LPEA's service territory,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of La Plata Electric Association, Inc. that LPEA does hereby request that Tri-State withdraw its Motion for Rehearing filed in FERC Docket No. EL 16-39-001 so that these needed renewable projects can move forward.

I, Guinn Unger, Secretary of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., do hereby certify that the above is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., at a regular meeting held in Durango, Colorado, on June 19, 2019, at which meeting a quorum of directors was present and voting.

Guinn Unger, Secretary

Dated at Durango, Colorado this 19th day of June 2019.