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Foundation grants provide Utah State University engineering scholarships and support Engineering State program

LOGAN, Utah — Two grants from the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation will benefit Utah State University undergraduate students studying engineering, and high school students interested in a future career in engineering, science, math or technology. The foundation has awarded \$7,500 for engineering scholarships and \$2,500 for the university’s Engineering State program, an intensive three-day program for high-school students.

“Businesses require skilled engineers in order to design safe and reliable systems for serving customers,” said George Humbert, Rocky Mountain Power’s customer and community manager. “We are pleased to help support programs that will encourage students to consider a career in engineering and provide assistance to motivated engineering students, through grants from the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation.”

From its beginnings in agriculture, Utah State University’s College of Engineering has played a significant role in developing the technologies that shape our world, and has risen to prominence as a leader in engineering education and research. The scholarships funded by the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation provide financial assistance to engineering students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement.

“The financial support provided by the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation allows the College of Engineering at Utah State University to recruit and retain top engineering students,” said Val Potter, executive director of development, College of Engineering, Utah State University. “With high demand for well-trained engineering graduates, these scholarships help further our mission to educate and prepare students to become engineers of the future. We appreciate what the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation has done to help secure the great educational tradition in the College of Engineering at Utah State University.”

Engineering State, which is celebrating its 20th year, is designed to encourage high school juniors and seniors to pursue careers in engineering, science, math and technology. Each summer, approximately 300 students come to the Utah State University campus to participate in engineering classes and hands-on learning sessions. The only program of its kind in Utah, Engineering State has had more than 6,500 participants from within the state and from other Intermountain states including Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada.

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About the Utah State University – College of Engineering

The primary objective of the Utah State University – College of Engineering is to foster a creative learning environment that will prepare engineering students to support the needs of industry, and develop new

technologies and services that will improve tomorrow's economy and environment. For more information, visit: <http://www.engineering.usu.edu/htm/>.

About the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation

The Rocky Mountain Power Foundation is part of the PacifiCorp Foundation, one of the largest utility-endowed foundations in the United States. The foundation was created in 1988 by PacifiCorp, an electric utility serving 1.7 million customers in six Western states as Rocky Mountain Power (Utah, Wyoming and Idaho) and Pacific Power (Oregon, Washington and California). The foundation's mission, through charitable investments, is to support growth and vitality of the communities served by Pacific Power and Rocky Mountain Power. For more information, visit www.rockymountainpower.net/rmpfoundation.