

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of

PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT  
COMPANY

Petitioner,

Requesting a Modification to the Filing  
Requirements contained in WAC 480-  
100-275

DOCKET UE-170910

ORDER 01

ORDER GRANTING  
MODIFICATION TO THE  
REQUIREMENT TO FILE  
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
REMEDiation EXPENDITURES  
REPORT

**BACKGROUND**

- 1 On September 9, 2017, Pacific Power & Light Company (Pacific Power or Company) filed a petition requesting a 30 day extension for reporting its actual quarterly results of operations as required by WAC 480-100-275. Pacific Power requested the extension to begin with the quarter ending June 30, 2017, and continue until an alternative to the West Control Area (WCA) allocation methodology is adopted by the Commission. On September 19, 2017, Pacific Power filed a revised petition requesting the extension through October 1, 2022. In addition, the Company requests that the 30 day extension be applied to the semi-annual environmental remediation expenditures report for the same time period.
- 2 In Docket UE-072123, Order 01, the Commission allowed Pacific Power to file its quarterly actual results of operations reports 90 days from the end of the quarter, rather than the 60 days required by rule, for the quarters ending September 30, 2007, through December 31, 2009. Subsequently, Order 02 extended the timeframe through the quarter ending June 30, 2012, and Order 03 extended the timeframe through the quarter ending June 30, 2017. The extension was granted on the condition that the results of Washington operations would be reported using the WCA allocation methodology approved in Docket UE-061546. Pacific Power was also granted its request to file its semi-annual report of environmental remediation expenditures, pursuant to Order 01 in Docket UE-031658, with the above quarterly results of actual operations reports.

3 Pacific Power currently requests a continuation of the 30 day extension to be in effect  
until October 1, 2022. The 30 day extension gives the Company sufficient time to  
incorporate the calculations required under the WCA allocation methodology into its  
quarterly results of operations. For procedural efficiency and to reduce administrative  
burden, the Company also requests that the environmental remediation expenditures  
report continue to be provided with the quarterly results reports and also subject to the  
30-day extension.

4 Commission Staff has reviewed the revised petition and recommends granting the  
Company's request to modify the filing requirements in WAC 480-100-275 by allowing  
Pacific Power to file its quarterly actual results of operations report 90 days from the end  
of the quarter. The report should use the Commission's approved allocation method and  
continue to include the report of environmental remediation expenditures on a semi-  
annual basis.

#### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

5 (1) The Commission is an agency of the state of Washington vested by statute with  
the authority to regulate rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, securities,  
and transfers of public service companies, including electric companies.

6 (2) Pacific Power is engaged in the business of providing electric services within the  
state of Washington and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of  
the Commission.

7 (3) Pacific Power is subject to the provisions of WAC 480-100-275, requiring electric  
companies to report Washington results of operations within 60 days of the end of  
each quarter.

8 (4) The Commission approved the WCA allocation method for Washington in Docket  
UE-061546. The actual results of operations report is to be filed using the WCA  
allocation method.

9 (5) Pacific Power reports environmental remediation expenditures on a semi-annual  
basis pursuant to Order 01 in Docket UE-031658. Continuing to submit this report  
semi-annually together with the quarterly report of actual operations allows for  
procedural efficiency and reduces administrative burdens.

- 10 (6) WAC 480-07-110(1) allows the Commission to grant a request for modification of the application of its rules.
- 11 (7) After reviewing the revised petition filed in Docket UE-170910 by Pacific Power on September 19, 2017, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that a modification to WAC 480-100-275 allowing Pacific Power to file both reports 90 days after the end of each quarter for a five year period, as recommended by Staff, ending with the reports for the period ending October 1, 2022, is reasonable and should be granted.

## **ORDER**

### **THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

- 12 (1) Effective with the quarter ending June 30, 2017, Pacific Power & Light Company is granted a modification of WAC 480-100-275 and is allowed to file its quarterly actual results of operations reports 90 days from the end of the quarter for a five year period through the period ending October 1, 2022.
- 13 (2) Pacific Power & Light Company is also granted its request to file its report of environmental remediation expenditures with the above quarterly results of actual operations reports.
- 14 (3) This extension is granted subject to the condition that the results of Washington operations will be reported using the West Control Area allocation method approved by the Commission in Docket UE-061546. The Commission retains the authority to rescind this modification of WAC 480-100-275 with due notice.
- 15 (4) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Pacific Power & Light Company to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective September 28, 2017.

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**STEVEN V. KING, Executive Director and Secretary**