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Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 Evergreen Park Drive, SW Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Docket No. UE-051090

Joint Application of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company and PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company for Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed for filing in the above proceeding are the original and fifteen (15) copies of a Motion pursuant to WAC 480-07-460(b)(ii) for Leave to file revised pages to the Joint Application and certain of the prefiled direct testimony and exhibits which accompanied the Joint Application. As permitted by WAC 480-07-460(b)(ii), Joint Applicants are including the proposed revisions with this Motion. Included herewith are an original and fifteen (15) copies of (1) marked versions of the revised pages showing the revisions in legislative format, and (2) unmarked versions, which will permit easy substitution of the changed pages for the pages included in the original filing. The changed pages are marked as "REVISED - 08/15/05" to distinguish them from those included in the original filing.

Also enclosed is a CD containing this filing in an electronic, pdf format.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

James M. Van Nostrand

Counsel for Joint Applicants MidAmerican Energy Holdings

Company and PacifiCorp

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Administrative Law Judge Dennis Moss

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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- Pursuant to WAC 480-07-460(b)(ii), MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company ("MEHC") and PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company ("PacifiCorp") (sometimes hereinafter jointly referred to as "Applicants") hereby request leave from the Presiding Officer in this proceeding, Administrative Law Judge Dennis Moss, to submit revised pages to the Joint Application and certain of the prefiled direct testimony and exhibits which accompanied the Joint Application.
- These changes are due to circumstances that have occurred since the Application was filed on July 15, 2005. With the enactment of the new energy legislation, the Domenici-Barton Energy Policy Act of 2005 ("Energy Act")¹ which was signed into law by President Bush on August 8 the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended ("PUHCA") will be repealed. The effective date of PUHCA repeal will be six months later, on February 8, 2006.
- The Joint Application and accompanying testimony specifically contemplated that PUHCA could be repealed while the transaction was pending, and described the expected impacts of such repeal. The repeal of PUHCA results in a simpler, more streamlined transaction. Now that PUHCA repeal is certain, this filing includes the necessary updates to the Joint Application and accompanying testimony and exhibits to incorporate these impacts.

¹ H.R. Rep. No. 109-190 (Conf. Rep.).

- The impacts include the following, which are reflected in the revised pages included with this filing:²
 - No filing at the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for approval of the transaction under PUHCA will be necessary.
 - No Joint Operating Agreement ("JOA") will be necessary, and thus no filing at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") for approval of the JOA under § 205 of the Federal Power Act will be necessary. Although MEHC and PacifiCorp will continue to pursue acquisition of a transmission path if economically justified, it will not be necessary to secure such a path for approval of the transaction. With the elimination of the JOA, the prefiled direct testimony of Jeffrey J. Gust and accompanying exhibits will not be offered.
 - A services company ("ServCo") will not be formed. Services that would have been provided by ServCo will be provided by MEHC and MEC. It will also not be necessary to follow SEC accounting for shared services.
 - The testimony of MEHC witness Goodman advises the Commission that on or shortly after February 8, 2006, Berkshire Hathaway will convert its convertible preferred stock in MEHC into common shares, increasing Berkshire Hathaway's 9.9% voting interest in MEHC to a voting interest of approximately 83.75% (or 80.5% on a diluted basis) of the common stock of MEHC. The conversion of Berkshire Hathaway's convertible preferred stock was described in the Joint Application and does not change the owners of MEHC, only their respective voting interests. The conversion does not impact the PacifiCorp transaction since MEHC remains the acquiring entity.
- For the convenience of the Commission and the parties, Applicants have included a marked version of the revised pages which shows the revisions in legislative format as well as an unmarked version, which will permit easy substitution of the changed pages for the pages included in the original filing. The changed pages are marked as "REVISED 08/15/05" to distinguish them from those included in the original filing. This is the procedure required by WAC 480-07-460(b)(iii) with respect to minor corrections, and it seems reasonable to follow this process with respect to the revisions proposed herein.
- 6 The pages with revisions are as follows:

² In addition, the filing includes corrected pages for typographical errors.

Pages 3-4, 6, 9, 20-21, and 23. Joint Application Pages 7, 12, 16, and 23. Direct Testimony of Gregory E. Abel Page 2. Abel Exhibit No. (GEA-2) Pages 4, 8, and 29-32. Direct Testimony of Brent E. Gale Pages 2-3, 5. Gale Exhibit No. (BEG-2) Withdrawn Gale Exhibit No. ___ (BEG-8) Direct Testimony of Patrick J. Goodman Pages 3, 5, 7-8, 15, and 20-21. Goodman Exhibit No. (PJG-3) Page 1. Direct Testimony of Thomas B. Specketer Pages 1-14.

Direct Testimony of Thomas B. Specketer
Specketer Exhibit No. ___ (TBS-3)
Direct Testimony of Jeffrey J. Gust
Gust Exhibit No. ___ (JJG-2)
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- Applicants respectfully submit that permitting the filing of the attached revisions is reasonable under the circumstances. As noted above, the Joint Application and accompanying testimony addressed the likelihood of PUHCA repeal, and the revisions merely implement the already-anticipated impacts. These revisions were submitted immediately upon enactment of the Energy Act earlier this week, while this proceeding is in its infancy. Moreover, the effect of allowing the revisions is to simplify and streamline the application process. Finally, allowing the revisions in these circumstances would promote fair and just results, which is the standard under WAC 480-07-395(5) applicable to allowing amendments to pleadings or other documents.
- WHEREFORE, Applicants respectfully request leave from the Presiding Officer pursuant to WAC 480-07-460(b)(ii) to submit the attached revisions to the Joint Application and prefiled testimony and exhibits.

Dated: August 15, 2005

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY and PACIFIC ORP D/B/A PACIFIC OWER & LIGHT COMPANY

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Joint Counsel for MEHC and PacifiCorp

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

The exact name and address of MEHC's principal business office is as follows:

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company 666 Grand Avenue, Suite 2900 Des Moines, Iowa 50309

MEHC is an Iowa corporation, whose ownership, as of January 31, 2005, is as follows:

Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (83.75% economic interest); Walter Scott, Jr., including family interests, (15.89% economic interest); David Sokol (0.25% economic interest); and Greg Abel (0.11% economic interest). On a diluted basis the economic interests would be as follows:

Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (80.48% economic interest); Walter Scott, Jr., including family interests, (15.27% economic interest); David Sokol (2.91% economic interest); and Greg Abel (1.35% economic interest). Further detail concerning the ownership of MEHC may be found at

¹ The voting stock ownership of these four investors is as follows: (1) Walter Scott, including family interests, holds an 88.1% voting interest; (2) Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. holds a 9.9% voting interest; (3) David Sokol holds a 1.4% voting interest; and (4) Greg Abel holds a 0.6% voting interest.

page 108 of MEHC's 2004 annual report on Form 10-K attached to MEHC witness Pat Goodman's testimony.

Berkshire Hathaway currently holds 9.9% of the voting stock ownership of MEHC and 41,263,395 shares of MEHC's zero coupon convertible preferred stock. This preferred stock is convertible into MEHC common shares at the option of Berkshire Hathaway under specific circumstances, as discussed more fully in Mr. Goodman's testimony. One such circumstance is the repeal or amendment of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and any successor legislation ("PUHCA") such that the conversion of preferred stock would not cause Berkshire Hathaway (or any affiliate of Berkshire Hathaway) to become regulated as a registered holding company. On or after February 8, 2006, the effective date of repeal of PUHCA, Berkshire Hathaway will exercise its right to convert the zero coupon convertible preferred stock whereupon Berkshire Hathaway's voting interest will correspond to its ownership interest.

Persons authorized on behalf of MEHC to receive notices and communications with respect to this Application are:

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² While the convertible preferred stock does not vote with the common stock in the election of directors, the convertible preferred stock gives Berkshire Hathaway the right to elect 20% of MEHC's Board of Directors (currently two of the ten members of the MEHC Board of Directors). Additionally, the prior approval of Berkshire Hathaway, as the holder of convertible preferred stock, is required for certain fundamental transactions by MEHC, as further discussed in Mr. Goodman's testimony.

anticipate initial discovery needs and provide parties with a solid foundation of knowledge pertaining to MEHC and MEC. Provisions for quick access to the Electronic Document Room can be arranged by contacting the following representative of MEHC and MEC:

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DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION

On May 23, 2005, ScottishPower and PacifiCorp Holdings, Inc. ("PHI"), its wholly owned subsidiary directly holding PacifiCorp's common stock, reached a definitive agreement ("Stock Purchase Agreement"), providing for the sale of all PacifiCorp common stock, held by PHI, to MEHC for a value of approximately \$9.4 billion, consisting of approximately \$5.1 billion in cash plus approximately \$4.3 billion in net debt and preferred stock, which will remain outstanding at PacifiCorp. The Stock Purchase Agreement is included as Appendix 2.

A limited liability company referred to as PPW Holdings LLC ("Holdings") has been established as a direct subsidiary of MEHC. Holdings will receive an equity infusion of approximately \$5.1 billion raised by MEHC through the sale of either common stock or zero coupon convertible preferred stock to Berkshire Hathaway and the issuance of long-term senior notes, preferred stock, or other securities with equity characteristics, to third parties. However, the transaction is not conditioned on such financing and if funds were not available from third parties, Berkshire Hathaway is expected to provide any required funding. Finally, Holdings will have no debt of its own for this transaction. Holdings will, as provided in the Stock Purchase Agreement, pay PHI \$5.1 billion in cash at closing, in exchange for 100% of the common stock of PacifiCorp. In addition, it is projected

a fact attested to by both organizations' customer satisfaction ratings. These similarities are addressed in the testimony of MEHC witness Gale.

MEHC intends to maintain separate debt ratings for PacifiCorp, and the Applicants expect the transaction to have a positive impact on PacifiCorp's bond ratings and financing costs. MEHC's financial capabilities and the reaction of the credit rating agencies to the announcement of this transaction with respect to PacifiCorp's bond ratings are described below, in the "Financial Strength" section concerning MEHC.

PacifiCorp will continue to be charged for certain common services provided to it as part of a larger organization. Under MEHC's ownership, these services will be limited to management services (e.g., board of directors support, corporate tax, financial planning and analysis, financial reporting) and will be provided by MEHC, as well as MEC. In connection with this transaction, MEHC is making a commitment to cap such charges at \$9 million per annum for a five year period, compared to the \$15 million PacifiCorp is projected to incur from ScottishPower in FY2006. See testimony on shared service charges from MEHC witness Specketer.

PacifiCorp's headquarters will remain in Portland, Oregon. All PacifiCorp financial books and records will be kept in Portland, Oregon, and will continue to be available to the Commission, upon request, at PacifiCorp's offices in Portland and Salt Lake City, and elsewhere in accordance with current practice. There are no plans for a reduction in workforce as a result of this transaction. MEHC will also renew and extend the commitments that have been previously made by PacifiCorp as set forth in Exhibit No. ____ (BEG-2) in the testimony of MEHC witness Gale, and as discussed in the testimonies of MEHC witnesses Abel, Goodman, Gale and Specketer.

PacifiCorp to meet its projected future capital needs, including long-term investment in PacifiCorp's integrated energy infrastructure.

MEHC believes the chief benefit from the proposed transaction is MEHC's willingness and ability to deploy capital to meet PacifiCorp's significant infrastructure needs. MEHC has focused on investments in the energy industry and is uniquely positioned to invest significant capital in the industry. Thus, MEHC is exceptionally well-matched to utilities, such as PacifiCorp, with a need for significant capital investment. This is particularly true when one considers the further advantage that arises from the reduced cost of debt that results from association with Berkshire Hathaway. As noted in the testimony of MEHC witness Goodman, the savings from this effect are substantial. The energy business is very capital intensive. With an owner like MEHC, that is well-positioned to undertake the efficient raising of capital, PacifiCorp will possess a key ingredient for successfully meeting its customers' current and future demands for energy. This is especially so since MEHC is free from the quarterly demand for shareholder dividends. It is MEHC's expectation that it will be the last owner of PacifiCorp, because MEHC invests for the long term. MEHC believes this will be to the benefit of PacifiCorp's customers, communities and employees. Knowing that MEHC intends to own PacifiCorp for the long-term will, MEHC believes, enhance customer and community confidence in PacifiCorp and its energy infrastructure that is so important to economic development. MEHC's long-term focus should also enhance the confidence of PacifiCorp's employees and management, enabling them to devote their full focus on exceeding customer expectations.

OTHER REGULATORY APPROVALS

MEHC and PacifiCorp will seek approval of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act ("FPA"), for the proposed transaction, inasmuch as it will result in the indirect transfer, to MEHC, of control of the "jurisdictional facilities" of PacifiCorp. PacifiCorp and MEC will also seek FERC approval, pursuant to Section 205 of the FPA, of any revisions to their respective Open Access Transmission Tariffs.

MEHC and PacifiCorp will make notification filings pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976 ("HSR Act"). The proposed transaction cannot be consummated until the waiting periods prescribed in the HSR Act lapse.

- **Brent Gale**, Senior Vice President of MEC, will provide evidence that the transaction is in the public interest and will sponsor commitments to ensure there will be no harm to that interest. He will also provide testimony regarding the similarities between PacifiCorp and MEC, and the experience of MEC as a regulated utility subsidiary of MEHC.
- Pat Goodman, Chief Financial Officer of MEHC, will provide detail regarding MEHC's corporate structure, PacifiCorp's place within that structure, MEHC's capital structure, the financial and accounting aspects of the transaction, some of the financial and structural commitments being offered by MEHC and PacifiCorp, and the "ring fencing" protections MEHC will employ. He also will provide information regarding Berkshire Hathaway.
- Tom Specketer, Vice President of U.S. Regulatory Accounting and Controller of MEC, will testify about the costs of certain common services to be provided to PacifiCorp, MEC and other MEHC subsidiaries. Mr. Specketer will describe the procedures for sharing services between MEHC and its affiliates, the joint administrative services agreement applicable to MEHC and its affiliates, and the implications and benefits for PacifiCorp customers. He will also sponsor some of the regulatory oversight commitments being offered by MEHC and PacifiCorp.

CONCLUSION

MEHC has made more than 60 commitments to the public interest, customers and states served by PacifiCorp. Included in these commitments are reductions in PacifiCorp's costs totaling more than \$36 million over five years and more than \$75 million over a longer period.

MEHC shareholders will also absorb \$1 million of costs of a system-wide demand side management study. In addition to these readily quantifiable benefits, MEHC is committing to \$1.3 billion of infrastructure investment in PacifiCorp's system.

MEHC looks forward to being able to invest in the future of PacifiCorp, focusing upon our identified objectives of customer satisfaction, reliable service, employee safety, environmental stewardship and regulatory/legislative credibility. This application and testimony

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15		Thomas B. Specketer, MEC's Vice President of U.S. Regulatory Accounting and Controller, will testify about the costs of certain common services to be provided to PacifiCorp, MEC and other MEHC subsidiaries. Mr. Specketer will describe the procedures for sharing services between MEHC and its affiliates, the joint administrative services agreement applicable to MEHC and its affiliates, and the implications and benefits for PacifiCorp customers. He will also sponsor some of the regulatory oversight commitments being offered by MEHC and PacifiCorp.
16		In addition to each of the above-mentioned MEHC witnesses, Judi Johansen,
17		President and CEO of PacifiCorp, will testify regarding PacifiCorp's support for
18		the transaction and the reasons for the sale of PacifiCorp by Scottish Power plc
19		("ScottishPower").
20	MEH	C And Its Business Activities
21	Q.	Please explain the business activities of MEHC.
22	A.	MEHC is a privately-held global company engaged primarily in the production
23		and delivery of energy from a variety of fuel sources - including coal, natural
24		gas, geothermal, hydroelectric, nuclear, wind and biomass. MEHC has access
25		to significant financial and managerial resources through its relationship with
26		Berkshire Hathaway. The other three owners of MEHC are Walter Scott, Jr.
27		(including family interests), David Sokol (Chairman and CEO of MEHC) and
28		me.
29		MEHC's global assets total approximately \$20 billion, and its 2004 revenues
30		totaled \$6.6 billion. MEHC's six major business platforms are as follows:

fits well with PacifiCorp's profile, and as a consequence, the proposed transaction offers significant benefits for PacifiCorp customers, employees and communities.

MEHC is uniquely suited to undertake the infrastructure investments

PacifiCorp faces in the coming years since it is privately-held and not subject to
shareholder expectations of regular, quarterly dividends and relatively high
returns on investments. MEHC's investors are focused on increasing value
through significant, long-term investment in well-operated energy companies that
offer predictable, reasonable returns.

MEHC's business strategy should provide PacifiCorp customers, employees, communities, and regulators with valuable stability. Indeed, they would be justified in expecting that MEHC will be the last owner of PacifiCorp. As a result, PacifiCorp's management and employees will be able to focus on exceeding customer expectations.

The opportunities for a successful transaction and transition are enhanced by the significant similarities between PacifiCorp and MEC. As discussed by MEHC witness Gale, the utilities' similarities include: comparable service territories (e.g., multi-state areas with relatively low population density and few large urban centers); a mix of retail-access and traditionally regulated utility business; a focus on customer satisfaction and employee safety; use of renewable energy technologies; use of low-sulfur, Western-basin coals; a long history of providing DSM and energy efficiency programs; and use of collaborative processes to develop environmental, DSM and energy efficiency programs.

over the post-acquisition five-year period. MEHC witness Goodman will 1 testify regarding this benefit in greater detail. 2 3 Corporate Overhead Charges: MEHC commits that the corporate 4 charges to PacifiCorp from MEHC and MEC will not exceed \$9 million 5 annually for a period of five years after the closing on the proposed 6 transaction. (In FY2006, ScottishPower's net cross-charges to PacifiCorp 7 are projected to be \$15 million.) MEHC witness Specketer testifies 8 9 regarding this benefit in greater detail. 10 Future Generation Options: In Exhibit No. (BEG-2), MEHC and 11 PacifiCorp adopt a commitment to source future PacifiCorp generation 12 resources consistent with the then current rules and regulations of each 13 state. In addition to that commitment, for the next ten years, MEHC and 14 PacifiCorp commit that they will submit as part of any RFPs --including 15 renewable energy RFPs -- a 100 MW or more utility "own/operate" 16 proposal for the particular resource. It is not the intent or objective that 17 such proposals be favored over other options. Rather, the option for 18 PacifiCorp to own and operate the resource which is the subject of the 19 RFP will enable comparison and evaluation of that option against other 20 alternatives. In addition to providing regulators and interested parties with 21 an additional viable option for assessment, it can be expected that this 22 commitment will enhance PacifiCorp's ability to increase the proportion 23 of cost-effective renewable energy in its generation portfolio, based upon 24 the actual experience of MEC and the "Renewable Energy" commitment 25 offered below. 26 27 Renewable Energy: MEHC reaffirms PacifiCorp's commitment to 28 acquire 1400 MW of new cost-effective renewable resources, representing 29 approximately 7% of PacifiCorp's load. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to 30 work with developers and bidders to bring at least 100 MW of cost-31 effective wind resources in service within one year of the close of the 32 33 transaction. 34 MEHC and PacifiCorp expect that the commitment to build the Walla-35 Walla and Path C transmission lines will facilitate up to 400 MW of 36 renewable resource projects with an expected in-service date of 2008 -37 2010. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to actively work with developers to 38 identify other transmission improvements that can facilitate the delivery of 39 wind energy in PacifiCorp's service area. 40 41 In addition, MEHC and PPW commit to work constructively with states to 42 implement renewable energy action plans so as to enable achievement of 43 PacifiCorp's 1400 MW commitment. 44

1		The commitments by MEHC and PacifiCorp, coupled with the continued
2		ability of PacifiCorp management to make state policy and business decisions,
3		will allow PacifiCorp to continue its efforts to expand energy efficiency system-
4		wide, and take advantage of its increased financial resources to upgrade its current
5		institutional capacities to acquire cost-effective savings.
6	Q.	Are there other benefits that will accrue to customers as a result of the
7		proposed transaction?
8	A.	Yes. Benefits also result from making the commitments contained in Exhibit
9		No(BEG-2) uniform across all states. With the exception of a few state-
10		specific commitments noted in that exhibit, the commitments will be applied in all
11		six states. This will enable regulators to have a consistent and readily identifiable
12		set of commitments and simplify administration for PacifiCorp. Because the
13		previous commitments were not uniform across the states, uniform application of
14		the commitments will mean that every state will be receiving some additional
15		commitments that were not previously applicable to it.
16		We also believe that the benefit of MEHC's long-term ability and
17		willingness to invest in energy infrastructure is significant and real but not readily
18		capable of quantification. Similarly, the stability of ownership of MEHC and
19		Berkshire Hathaway provides security for customers, employees and the states
20		served.
21	Pacif	iiCorp Operations Post-Transaction
22	Q.	How will PacifiCorp operate after completion of the transaction?
23	A.	PacifiCorp will operate very much like it does today. PacifiCorp will become a

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opportunities to enhance PacifiCorp's ability to accept the output from wind generators and balance the system cost effectively in a regional environment.

- <u>Other Transmission and Distribution Matters:</u> MEHC and PacifiCorp make the following commitments to improve system reliability:
 - o investment in the Asset Risk Program of \$75 million over the three years, 2007-2009,
 - o investment in local transmission risk projects across all states of \$69 million over eight years after the close of the transaction,
 - O & M expense for the Accelerated Distribution Circuit Fusing Program across all states will be increased by \$1.5 million per year for five years after the close of the transaction, and
 - extension of the O&M investment across all states for the Saving SAIDI Initiative for three additional years at an estimated cost of \$2 million per year.

MEHC and PacifiCorp will also support the Bonneville Power Administration in its development of short-term products such as conditional firm and redispatch products. PacifiCorp will also initiate a process to collaboratively design similar products at PacifiCorp.

- Reduced Cost of Debt: MEHC believes that PacifiCorp's incremental cost of long-term debt will be reduced as a result of the proposed transaction, due to the association with Berkshire Hathaway. Historically, MEHC's utility subsidiaries have been able to issue long-term debt at levels below their peers with similar credit ratings. MEHC commits that over the next five years it will demonstrate that PacifiCorp's incremental long-term debt issuances will be at a yield ten basis points below its similarly rated peers. If it is unsuccessful in demonstrating that PacifiCorp has done so, PacifiCorp will accept up to a ten (10) basis point reduction to the yield it actually incurred on any incremental long-term debt issuances for any revenue requirement calculation effective for the five-year period subsequent to the approval of the proposed acquisition. It is projected that this benefit will yield a value roughly equal to \$6.3 million over the post-acquisition five-year period. MEHC witness Goodman will testify regarding this benefit in greater detail.
- Corporate Overhead Charges: MEHC commits that the corporate charges to PacifiCorp from MEHC and MEC will not exceed \$9 million annually for a period of five years after the closing on the proposed transaction. (In FY2006, ScottishPower's net cross-charges to PacifiCorp are projected to be \$15 million.) MEHC witness Specketer testifies regarding this benefit in greater detail.

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7		• PacifiCorp will become a separate business platform under MEHC, with its own business plan, its own management, its own state policies, and the responsibility for making decisions that achieve the objectives identified in the testimony of MEHC witness Mr. Abel (i.e., customer satisfaction, reliable service, employee safety, environmental stewardship, and regulatory/legislative credibility).
8 9 10		• The many similarities between MEC and PacifiCorp will facilitate an easy transition of PacifiCorp as a separate subsidiary of MEHC.
11 12 13 14 15 16 17		• MEC's operations, as a subsidiary of MEHC, provide demonstrable evidence that PacifiCorp will have the ability to continue its emphasis on key utility performance areas such as: customer service; safety; integrated resource planning; a balanced mix of generating resources, including renewable generation; use of energy efficiency and demand-side management ("DSM"); investment in environmental emission control technology; and collaborative processes.
18 19	MEH	C and PacifiCorp Commitments
20 21	Q.	Please explain the uniform set of commitments you referenced.
22	A.	MEHC and PacifiCorp have reviewed the commitments required by the six states
23		in the Scottish Power plc ("ScottishPower") transaction. We have also met with
24		numerous groups that may have an interest in this transaction and asked them to
25		identify the risks and concerns that they have at this time.
26		Exhibit No(BEG-2) responds to the risks and concerns addressed in the
27		previous PacifiCorp transaction and to many of the risks and concerns that have
28		been raised in the meetings with interested groups. This Exhibit identifies

been raised in the meetings with interested groups. This Exhibit identifies

MEHC's and PacifiCorp's commitments to address these risks and concerns. The

new commitments sponsored by MEHC witness Mr. Abel address other concerns

expressed in the meetings with interested groups. MEHC and PacifiCorp propose
that the commitments in this Exhibit and those in MEHC witness Mr. Abel's

Exhibit No.__(GEA-2), supersede prior commitments and apply upon the close of

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1		and practicable; such conditions include ice, floods, tornados, storms and
2		snow.
3	•	Regulated delivery and electric supply services are provided in multiple
4		state jurisdictions, with at least one state having competitive retail electric
5		supply access.
6	•	The economy of the service area is significantly tied to the land
7		(agriculture, forestry, and mining).
8	•	On the whole, the area served has a comparatively low-density population
9		except for a few major population centers.
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1	The m	naps attached to Exhibit No(BEG-3) provide some additional information
12	regard	ling the similarities.
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13 Q. Please provide some historical background on MEC.

MEC and its predecessor corporations (e.g., Iowa Power Inc., Iowa-Illinois Gas 14 and Electric Company, Iowa Public Service Company and their respective 15 predecessors) have been providing electric service in Iowa, Illinois and South 16 Dakota for approximately 100 years. MEC is the product of a merger between 17 Midwest Power Systems Inc. and Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company in 18 1995. Midwest Power Systems Inc., in turn, was the result of a prior merger 19 between Iowa Power Inc. and Iowa Public Service Company¹ in 1992. In 1999, 20 MEC was acquired by CalEnergy Company Inc. (subsequently known as 21 "MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company" or "MEHC"), and in 2000, MEHC 22 and an investor group comprised of Berkshire Hathaway Inc, Walter Scott, Jr. (a 23 director of MEHC), David Sokol (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of 24 25 MEHC), and

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¹ The utilities' parent holding companies (non-registered, exempt holding companies), Iowa Resources Inc. and Midwest Energy Company, were previously merged in 1990 creating a new holding company (also a non-registered, exempt holding company) called Midwest Resources Inc.

1		increase in the percentage discussed in PacifiCorp witness Johansen's testimony.
2		Please also note the commitment, Revenue Requirements Impacts B, of Exhibit
3		No(BEG-2).
4	Revi	ew and Approval of the Transaction
5	Q.	Please describe the various reviews and/or approvals of the transaction that
6		MEHC anticipates.
7	A.	Following are the shareholder and regulatory reviews anticipated with respect to
8		the proposed transaction:
9		• approval of the shareholders of ScottishPower;
10		• approval and/or waiver from the public utility commissions in the states of
11		California, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming;
12		• approval of the transfer of the Trojan spent fuel storage license by the U.S.
13		Nuclear Regulatory Commission;
14		• approval of the transfer of jurisdictional facilities by the Federal Energy
15		Regulatory Commission ("FERC") under Section 203 of the Federal
16		Power Act;
17		• approval by FERC of revisions to the open access transmission tariffs of
18		PacifiCorp and MEC under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act;
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4		• review of the proposed transaction by the U.S. Department of Justice
5		under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act; and
6		• approval by the Federal Communications Commission of the change of
7		control with respect to certain communication licenses held by PacifiCorp.
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9	Mark	tet Monitor and Transmission Services Coordinator
10	Q.	Please describe the Market Monitor Proposal that MEHC has put forward in
11		connection with its proposed acquisition of PacifiCorp.
12	A.	Under the proposal, MEC and PacifiCorp would each contract with a market
13		monitor to assure nondiscrimination in the management of each company's
14		transmission systems commencing on the day of the closing of the acquisition. A
15		market monitor is an independent organization retained to review, on an after-the-
16		fact basis, transmission system operations necessary to ensure the transmission
17		provider does not favor its wholesale merchant function or any energy affiliate.
18		The market monitor would review and report to the FERC on such matters as the
19		utility's performance of the following transmission functions:
20		• generation dispatch and potential impacts on constrained facilities,
21		• actions to relieve constrained facilities,
22		derating of transmission facilities, and
23		• ratings and other data used for total transfer capability calculations.

- 1 Q. What are the expected costs to PacifiCorp of the market monitor?
- 2 A. Bids for the market monitor services have not yet been solicited. However, we
- 3 estimate that the on-going costs to PacifiCorp will be about \$200,000 annually.
- 4 Q. Does the market monitor proposal impact the development of Grid West?
- 5 A. No. The efforts are complementary. For example, it is possible that some market
- 6 monitor services may be provided as an early service by Grid West. When Grid
- West is fully operational it should obviate the need for a market monitor for
- 8 PacifiCorp, since Grid West would be providing non-discriminatory transmission
- 9 services to multiple parties including PacifiCorp.
- 10 Q. Will Grid West also serve MEC?
- 11 A. No, at least not for the foreseeable future. Subject to regulatory approval, MEC is
- planning to enter into a contract with an outsource provider of transmission
- services to be known as the transmission service coordinator ("TSC"). The TSC
- initially will administer or oversee only MEC's transmission assets. However,
- MEC is working with other utilities located to its west that currently are not part
- of any regional transmission organization to consider having them also use the
- TSC. Ultimately, the TSC may provide transmission services to an area abutting
- that of Grid West. At such time, it may be appropriate to put into place a seams
- agreement between the TSC and Grid West to enhance transmission system
- 20 coordination among transmission users in the states served by PacifiCorp and
- 21 MEC.

2	Q.	When does MEHC expect to complete the process of obtaining all of the

3 foregoing approvals and reviews?

We very much want to complete all of the state approvals by February 28, 2006, in time to close on the transaction on or before March 31, 2006. This is an important transaction for PacifiCorp customers, employees and communities. In order to mitigate the ill effects of uncertainty and expedite the delivery of important benefits, we respectfully request that the Commission act in a manner that will facilitate an order by February 28, 2006.

Closing on that date will also facilitate the transition of PacifiCorp's financial reporting from a fiscal year ending March 31 as used by Scottish Power to a calendar fiscal year consistent with how MEHC companies report their financial statements. Such calendar year reporting is also consistent with regulatory reporting, which should enable regulators to utilize a single year's audited financial statements rather than have regulatory reporting span two fiscal years.

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Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

19 A. Yes, it does.

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- G. PacifiCorp and MEHC will not cross-subsidize between the regulated and non-regulated businesses or between any regulated businesses, and shall comply with the Commission's then-existing practice with respect to such matters. (Witness Specketer)
- H. Due to PUHCA repeal, neither Berkshire Hathaway nor MEHC will be registered public utility holding companies under PUHCA. Thus, no waiver by Berkshire Hathaway or MEHC of any defenses to which they may be entitled under *Ohio Power Co. v. FERC*, 954 F.2d 779 (D.C. Cir.), cert. denied sub nom. Arcadia v. Ohio Power Co., 506 U.S. 981 (1992) ("Ohio Power"), is necessary to maintain the Commission's regulation of MEHC and PacifiCorp. However, while PUHCA is in effect, Berkshire Hathaway and MEHC waive such defenses.(Witness Specketer)
- I. Any diversified holdings and investments (e.g., non-utility business or foreign utilities) of MEHC and PacifiCorp following approval of the transaction will be held in a separate company(ies) other than PacifiCorp, the entity for utility operations. Ring-fencing provisions (i.e., measures providing for separate financial and accounting treatment) will be provided for each of these diversified activities, including but not limited to provisions protecting the regulated utility from the liabilities or financial distress of MEHC. This condition will not prohibit the holding of diversified businesses. (Witness Goodman)
- J. PacifiCorp or MEHC will notify the Commission subsequent to MEHC's board approval and as soon as practicable following any public announcement of: (1) any acquisition of a regulated or unregulated business representing 5 percent or more of the capitalization of MEHC; or (2) the change in effective control or acquisition of any material part or all of PacifiCorp by any other firm, whether by merger, combination, transfer of stock or assets.
- K. Within 30 days of receiving all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals of the final corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodology, a written document setting forth the final corporate and affiliate cost methodology will be submitted to the Commission. On an on-going basis, the Commission will also be notified of anticipated or mandated changes to the corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodologies. (Witness Specketer)
- L. Any proposed cost allocation methodology for the allocation of corporate and affiliate investments, expenses, and overheads, required by law or rule to be submitted to the Commission for approval, will comply with the following principles:
 - (a) For services rendered to PacifiCorp or each cost category subject to allocation to PacifiCorp by MEHC or any of its affiliates, MEHC must be able to demonstrate that such service or cost category is necessary to PacifiCorp for the performance of its regulated operations, is not duplicative of services already being performed within PacifiCorp, and is reasonable and prudent.

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- (b) Cost allocations to PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries will be based on generally accepted accounting standards; that is, in general, direct costs will be charged to specific subsidiaries whenever possible and shared or indirect costs will be allocated based upon the primary cost-driving factors.
- (c) MEHC will have in place time reporting systems adequate to support the allocation of costs of executives and other relevant personnel to PacifiCorp.
- (d) An audit trail will be maintained such that all costs subject to allocation can be specifically identified, particularly with respect to their origin. In addition, the audit trail must be adequately supported. Failure to adequately support any allocated cost may result in denial of its recovery in rates.
- (e) Costs which would have been denied recovery in rates had they been incurred by PacifiCorp regulated operations will likewise be denied recovery whether they are allocated directly or indirectly through subsidiaries in the MEHC group.
- (f) Any corporate cost allocation methodology used for rate setting, and subsequent changes thereto, will be submitted to the Commission for approval if required by law or rule. (Witness Specketer)

Financial Integrity

- A. PacifiCorp will maintain separate debt and, if outstanding, preferred stock ratings. PacifiCorp will maintain its own corporate credit rating, as well as ratings for each long-term debt and preferred stock (if any) issuance. (Witness Goodman)
- B. MEHC and PacifiCorp will exclude all costs of the transaction from PacifiCorp's utility accounts. Within 90 days following completion of the transaction, MEHC will provide a preliminary accounting of these costs. Further, MEHC will provide the Commission with a final accounting of these costs within 30 days of the accounting close. (Witness Goodman)
- C. The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp's regulated retail rates; provided, however, that if the Commission in a rate order issued subsequent to the closing of the transaction reduces PacifiCorp's retail revenue requirement through the imputation of benefits (other than those benefits committed to in this transaction) accruing from the acquisition company (PPW Holdings LLC), Berkshire Hathaway, or MEHC, MEHC and PacifiCorp will have the right to propose upon rehearing and in subsequent cases a symmetrical adjustment to

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Environment

- A. PacifiCorp will continue its Blue Sky tariff offering in all states.
- B. PacifiCorp will continue its commitment to gather outside input on environmental matters, such as through the Environmental Forum.
- C. PacifiCorp will continue to have environmental management systems in place that are self-certified to ISO 14001 standards at all PacifiCorp operated thermal generation plants.

Communities

- A. MEHC will maintain the existing level of PacifiCorp's community-related contributions, both in terms of monetary and in-kind contributions.
- B. MEHC will continue to consult with regional advisory boards to ensure local perspectives are heard regarding community issues.

Employees

- A. MEHC will honor existing labor contracts with all levels of staff.
- B. MEHC and PacifiCorp will make no changes to employee benefit plans for at least two (2) years following the effective date of the Stock Purchase Agreement.

Planning

- A. PacifiCorp will continue to produce Resource Plans every two years, according to the then current schedule and the then current Commission rules.
- B. When acquiring new generation resources in excess of 100 MW, PacifiCorp and MEHC will issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs) or otherwise comply with state laws, regulations and orders that pertain to procurement of new generation resources.

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1		remaining subsidiaries of PHI, including PPM Energy, Inc., will remain with
2		ScottishPower.
3	MEH	C Corporate Structure
4	Q.	Please discuss MEHC's corporate structure and PacifiCorp's place in that
5		structure.
6	A.	Upon completion of the transaction, PacifiCorp will be an indirect wholly-owned
7		subsidiary of MEHC as illustrated in the simplified MEHC organizational chart
8		provided with my testimony as Exhibit No(PJG-3). This structure will help
9		facilitate the implementation of the "ring-fencing" concept that is addressed later
10		in my testimony.
11	MEH	IC Capital Structure
12	Q.	Please describe MEHC's capital structure.
13	A.	Table 1 below illustrates the pre-transaction capitalizations of MEHC and
14		PacifiCorp, followed by the pro forma, combined capitalization of MEHC after
15		the proposed transaction occurs. At this point I would direct your attention to the

MEHC capitalization prior to the acquisition. It can be seen that MEHC's

18 • zero coupon convertible preferred stock,

stockholder's equity is composed of five items:

• common stock,

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- additional paid-in capital,
- retained earnings, and
- accumulated other comprehensive loss, net.

Table 1 MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company Unaudited Pro forma Consolidated Long-Term Capitalization As of March 31, 2005

(In millions)

	мено		PacifiCor p	Pro Forma Adjustments		MEHC Pro	Forma
Long-term Debt:		10.00/	œ.	\$ 1,709.8	(1) 5	4,482.9	19.7%
Parent company senior debt	\$ 2,773.1	19.9%	\$ -	\$ 1,709.8	(1)	1,586.4	7.0%
Parent company subordinated debt(2)	1,586.4	11.4%	2 (20 0	-		9,987.8	43.9%
Subsidiary and project debt	6,358.8	45.8%	3,629.0	1 700 0	_		
Total long-term debt	10,718.3	77.1%	3,629.0	1,709.8		16,057.1	70.6%
Preferred securities of subsidiaries	89.3	0.6%	52.5	41.3	(3)	183.1	0.8%
Stockholders' equity:							
Zero coupon convertible preferred stock, no par value	-		-	(41.2)	(0)	-	
Preferred stock, \$100 stated value	-		41.3	(41.3)	(3)	-	
Common stock, no par value	-		-	-			
Additional paid-in capital	1,950.7		2,894.1	(2,894.1)	(4)	5,370.4	
				3,419.7	(1)		
Retained earnings	1,309.3		446.4	(446.4)	(4)	1,309.3	
A	(166.3)		(4.7)	4.7	(4)_	(166.3)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net	3,093.7	22.3%	3,377.1	42.6	_	6,513.4	28.6%
'otal stockholders' equity		100.0%	\$ 7,058.6	\$ 1,793.7	-	\$ 22,753.6	100.0%
Total long-term capitalization	\$ 13,901.3	100.070	Ψ 7,050.0	<u> </u>			

For the purposes of the pro forma long-term capitalization table, it has been assumed that the acquisition was completed on March 31, 2005. Consequently, the total long-term capitalization of PacifiCorp does not reflect the following:

- the additional equity investment by ScottishPower in PacifiCorp of \$500.0 million during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006;
- expected dividends, totaling \$214.8 million, to be paid to ScottishPower by PacifiCorp for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006;
- expected earnings, debt issuances and debt retirements of PacifiCorp for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006; and
- expected earnings, debt issuance and debt retirement of MEHC and its current subsidiaries for the period ending March 31, 2006.

Certain reclassifications have been made to PacifiCorp's historical presentation in order to conform to MEHC's historical presentation.

(1) Pursuant to terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement, MEHC will pay ScottishPower \$5.1 billion in cash in exchange for 100% of PacifiCorp's common stock. The total estimated purchase price of the acquisition is as follows (in millions):

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Common stock or zero coupon convertible non-voting preferred stock of MEHC	\$ 3,419.7
Long-term senior unsecured debt of MEHC	1,709.8
Total estimated purchase price	\$5,129.5
(2) Parent company subordinated debt consists of the following at March 31, 2005:	
Berkshire trust preferred securities	\$ 1,289.2
Other trust preferred securities	297.2
Total parent company subordinated debt	\$ 1,586.4

- (3) Pursuant to the terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement, PacifiCorp's preferred stock which is classified in PacifiCorp's March 31, 2005 balance sheet as part of stockholder's equity will remain outstanding. For purposes of the pro forma capitalization table the preferred stock, totaling \$41.3 million, was reclassified to preferred securities of subsidiaries.
- (4) Represents the pro forma adjustments to eliminate the historical stockholders' equity of PacifiCorp.

Table 2								
Credit Ratings – July 2005								
	Standard & Poor's	Moody's Investor Service	FitchRatings					
Berkshire Hathaway	AAA	Aaa	AAA					
MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company	BBB-	Baa3	BBB					
MidAmerican Energy Company	A-	A3	A-					
Northern Natural Gas Company	A-	A3	A-					
Kern River Gas Transmission Co.	A-	A3	A-					
Northern Electric Distribution Ltd	BBB+	A3	A-					
Yorkshire Electricity Distribution plc	BBB+	A3	A-					

1 Financing and Mechanics of the Transaction

- 2 Q. Please describe the steps that will be taken to effectuate the transaction.
- A limited liability company ("LLC"), PPW Holdings LLC, has been established 3 A. as a direct subsidiary of MEHC. This LLC will receive, as an equity infusion, 4 \$5.1 billion raised by MEHC through the sale of either common stock or zero 5 coupon convertible preferred stock to Berkshire Hathaway and the issuance of 6 long-term senior notes, preferred stock, or other securities with equity 7 characteristics to third parties. However, the LLC will have no debt of its own. 8 The LLC will, as provided in the Stock Purchase Agreement, pay PHI \$5.1 billion 9 in cash, at closing, in exchange for 100 percent of the common stock of 10 PacifiCorp. In addition, it is projected that approximately \$4.3 billion in net debt 11 and preferred stock of PacifiCorp will remain outstanding as obligations of 12

Prior to the expected closing date of March 31, 2006, ScottishPower has

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1		agreed to make \$500 million in additional capital contributions to PacifiCorp, and
2		PacifiCorp is expected to pay \$214.8 million of dividends to ScottishPower.
3		Provision for additional capital contributions have been made in the Stock
4		Purchase Agreement if the acquisition has not closed by that date.
5	Q.	Please describe how the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MEHC will be financed.
6	A.	As described above, MEHC expects to fund the transaction with the proceeds
7		from an investment by Berkshire Hathaway of approximately \$3.4 billion in either
8		common stock or zero coupon non-voting convertible preferred stock of MEHC
9		and the issuance by MEHC to third parties of approximately \$1.7 billion of long-
10		term senior notes, preferred stock, or other securities with equity characteristics.
11		However, the transaction is not conditioned on such financing and if funds were
12		not available from third parties, Berkshire Hathaway is expected to provide any
13		required funding. The pro forma capital structure of MEHC after the acquisition
14		is shown in Table 1 above, assuming \$1.7 billion of long-term debt is issued by
15		MEHC. The pro forma schedule is unaffected if, ultimately, either common stock
16		or zero coupon convertible preferred stock is issued. The timing and composition
17		of these financings are flexible and subject to modification as market conditions
18		change. It is not anticipated that there would be any restrictive covenants
19		associated with the proposed financing different from those typical of an
20		investment grade financing.
21	Q.	Are you aware of any benefits to PacifiCorp due to MEHC's relationship
22		with Berkshire Hathaway?
23	A.	MEHC believes that PacifiCorp's cost of debt will benefit from the acquisition
24		due to the association with MEHC's largest investor, Berkshire Hathaway.
25		Historically, MEHC's utility subsidiaries have been able to issue long-term debt
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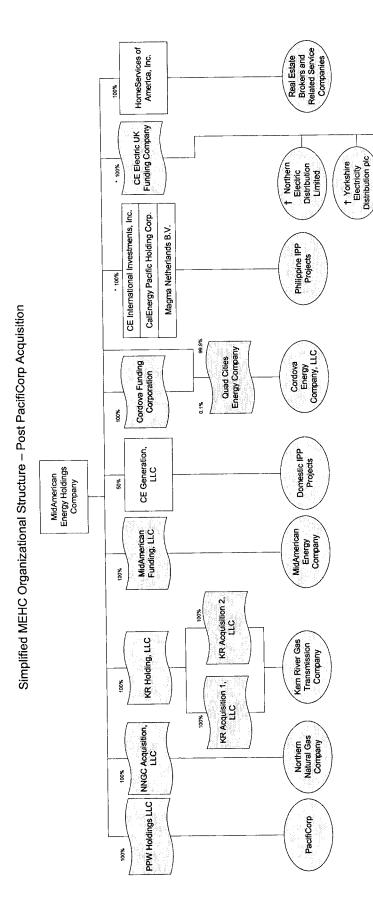
		the accounting close.
C	Premium Paid	The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp's regulated retail rates; provided, however, that if the Commission in a rate order issued subsequent to the closing of the transaction reduces PacifiCorp's retail revenue requirement through the imputation of benefits (other than those benefits committed to in this transaction) accruing from the acquisition company (PPW Holdings LLC), Berkshire Hathaway, or MEHC, MEHC and PacifiCorp will have the right to propose upon rehearing and in subsequent cases a symmetrical adjustment to recognize the acquisition premium in retail revenue
D	Rating Agency Presentations	requirement. MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide the Commission with unrestricted access to all written information provided to credit rating agencies that pertains to PacifiCorp.
Е	Minimum Common Equity Ratio	PacifiCorp will not make any distribution to PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity capital below 40 percent of its total capital without Commission approval. PacifiCorp's total capital is defined as common equity, preferred equity and long-term debt. Long-term debt is defined as debt with a term of one year or more. The Commission and PacifiCorp may reexamine this minimum common equity percentage as financial conditions or accounting standards change, and may request that it be adjusted.
F	Capital Requirements to Meet Obligation to Serve	The capital requirements of PacifiCorp, as determined to be necessary to meet its obligation to serve the public, will be given a high priority by the Board of Directors of MEHC and PacifiCorp.
G	Assuming Liabilities/Pledging Assets	PacifiCorp will not, without the approval of the Commission, assume any obligation or liability as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise for MEHC or its affiliates, provided that this condition will not prevent PacifiCorp from assuming any obligation or liability on behalf of

1		recapitalization, winding-up or termination or a merger, consolidation or sale of
2		all or substantially all of MEHC's assets.
3	Q.	Please describe the rights Berkshire Hathaway will have upon conversion of
4		the zero coupon convertible preferred stock of MEHC.
5	A.	Upon conversion Berkshire Hathaway would have the rights of a common
6		stockholder and the ability to elect nine of the ten members of MEHC's board of
7		directors. The additional \$3.4 billion of common shares associated with the
8		PacifiCorp transaction (or zero coupon convertible preferred stock, if issued and
9		then converted) will increase Berkshire Hathaway's proportion of ownership but
10		would otherwise not affect any of the rights Berkshire Hathaway had without the
11		additional investment.
12	Q.	Why have you provided this information regarding Berkshire Hathaway's
13		conversion rights?
14	A.	On or shortly after the effective date of repeal of PUHCA, Berkshire Hathaway
15		will exercise its conversion rights. This will create a technical change in control
16		of MEHC. Although the conversion will occur prior to the close of this
17		transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp wish to provide the Commission with this
18		notice of the conversion which is associated with the repeal of PUHCA.
19	Q.	What regulatory approvals are required to allow Berkshire Hathaway to
20		convert its convertible preferred stock investment in MEHC to common
21		Equity?
22	A.	Approvals are required from FERC, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the
23		Iowa Utilities Board and the Illinois Commerce Commission. A filing will also
24		be required with the U.S. Department of Justice/Federal Trade Commission

1		pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act. As of the date of this testimony, all filings
2		had been made except the Hart-Scott-Rodino. All required approvals are
3		expected before year-end 2005.
4	Q.	Will Berkshire Hathaway have any involvement in the day to day operations
5		of PacifiCorp, either before or after conversion?
6	A.	No, it will not. Prior to conversion, Mr. Scott and associated family interests had
7		the right to elect a majority of the members of the MEHC Board of Directors, and
8		Berkshire Hathaway had the right to elect 20% of the Board. Neither Mr. Scott
9		nor Berkshire Hathaway had any influence or involvement in the day-to-day
10		operations of the business units of MEHC. That is not expected to change when
11		Berkshire Hathaway is able to elect a majority of the Board.
12	Q.	After the conversion, will MEHC (or PacifiCorp if this proposed transaction
13		is approved) be required to borrow funds from Berkshire Hathaway?
14	A.	Neither MEHC nor PacitiCorp is or will be required to borrow from Berkshire
15		Hathaway. However, MEHC may choose to request debt or equity funds from
16		Berkshire Hathaway, for example, if it pursues additional acquisitions.
17		As a general rule, subsidiaries of MEHC (including PacifiCorp if this
18		proposed transaction is approved) are expected to operate autonomously from
19		MEHC and Berkshire Hathaway. This includes arranging their own financing and
20		being responsible for maintaining and/or improving their credit standing.
21	Conc	clusion
22	Q.	Does this conclude your direct testimony?
23	A.	Yes, it does.

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Holding companies not included in ring fencing structure Holding companies included in ring fencing structure (structure includes independent directors) Operating companies

Gas Exploration Projects

Indirectly owned by MEHC Subject to UK regulatory ring fencing

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1 ().	Please state your name	, employer a	and	business	address.
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- A. My name is Thomas B. Specketer, MidAmerican Energy Company ("MEC"), 666 Grand Avenue, Suite 2900, Des Moines, Iowa 50309.
- 4 Q. What is your position in the company and your previous work experience?
- I am currently vice president U.S. regulatory accounting and MEC controller. My 5 A. primary duties include responsibility for all accounting, financial reporting, 6 regulatory reporting, tax and budgeting activities for MEC, and regulatory 7 accounting oversight for all domestic regulated entities in the MidAmerican 8 Energy Holdings Company ("MEHC") group. I have been employed by MEC, or 9 one of its predecessor companies, for over 25 years. During this time, I have held 10 various staff and managerial positions within the accounting, tax and finance 11 organizations. 12
- Q. What is your educational background and your involvement in professional associations?
- I received a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics from Morningside

 College. In addition to formal education, I have also attended various

 educational, professional and electric industry related seminars during my career

 at MEC. I am a member of Edison Electric Institute's Chief Accounting Officers

 Committee and a past member of the Tax Executives Institute, Iowa Association

 of Tax Representatives and Institute of Management Accountants.
- 21 Q. Please describe the purpose of your testimony.
- 22 A. The chief purpose of my testimony is to provide an overview of the process by
 23 which shared services costs will be distributed to PacifiCorp and other MEHC

1	subsidiaries after completion of the proposed transaction. Therefore, my
2	testimony will address the allocation methodologies expected to be employed, the
3	service agreement that will govern the shared services to be rendered, and the
4	expected costs to PacifiCorp of shared services under MEHC ownership, in
5	contrast to those PacifiCorp experienced under Scottish Power plc
6	("ScottishPower") ownership. Additionally, I will address other accounting
7	issues pertinent to this transaction that may be of interest to the Commission and
8	sponsor some of the commitments in MEHC witness Mr. Gale's Exhibit
9	No(BEG-2).

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- Please discuss accounting changes brought about by this transaction. Q.
- PacifiCorp will operate very much as it does today. Upon the closing of the A. 12 transaction, however, it is MEHC's intent to transition PacifiCorp to a calendar 13 year-end in contrast to its present March 31 fiscal year-end. The change in year-14 end will assure greater consistency in information supplied to PacifiCorp's 15 various regulatory bodies and investors, and assure that financial information 16 provided to MEHC is on a basis consistent with other MEHC subsidiaries. 17

Shared Services Costs

- What cost changes will occur as a result of this transaction? 19 Q.
- As mentioned previously, PacifiCorp will operate very much as it does today and, A. 20 accordingly, most costs incurred by PacifiCorp will not change as a result of this 21 transaction. One exception is the cost of corporate shared services. With the 22

- change in ownership, PacifiCorp will no longer incur shared services costs from ScottishPower, but will incur costs of a similar nature from MEHC and MEC.
- 3 Q. Why are these shared corporate services being provided by MEHC?
- If the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 had remained in effect, shared 4 A. corporate services would have been provided by a new service company. With 5 the repeal of that law, there is no need to form a new company. The people who 6 are MEHC employees providing shared corporate services can continue to remain 7 holding company employees. MEHC will have the same systems in place that a 8 service company would have had to ensure that costs are captured and properly 9 billed and/or allocated to all entities in the MEHC group that benefit from the 10 services provided, including MEHC, PacifiCorp and MEC. 11
- Q. Please describe how shared costs, common to multiple subsidiaries of MEHC, will be charged to PacifiCorp.
- 14 A. Common costs of MEHC will originate in two entities: in MEHC itself, and in
 15 MEC. MEC, a vertically integrated utility owned by MEHC, serves regulated and
 16 unregulated electric and gas customers primarily in Iowa, Illinois, South Dakota
 17 and Nebraska. MEC is described in more detail by MEHC witness Gale.
- 18 Q. Please describe the shared corporate services that will originate at MEHC.
- 19 A. Employees of MEHC include senior executives who provide strategic
 20 management, coordination and corporate governance services to all MEHC
 21 subsidiaries, including board of directors support, strategic planning, financial
 22 planning and analysis, insurance, environmental compliance, financial reporting,
 23 human resources, legal, accounting and other administrative services.

- 1 Q. Will any PacifiCorp employees be transferred to MEHC?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Please describe the shared services that will be provided by MEC.
- 4 A. MEC employees will also coordinate certain administrative services on behalf of
- 5 MEHC, including budgeting and forecasting, human resources, and tax
- 6 compliance. Amounts to be charged to PacifiCorp from MEC are not expected to
- 7 exceed \$4.0 million per year.
- 8 Q. Will any other incidental services between MEC and PacifiCorp be
- 9 provided?
- 10 A. For operational reasons, such as a storm restoration, it may be necessary and
 11 beneficial to send crews of one utility to the other's service territory to assist in
- restoration efforts. In addition, other operational expertise may be requested from
- time to time to take advantage of specific expertise that exists at each of the
- utilities. Services such as these would also be provided at cost.
- 15 Q. How will costs from these two sources (MEHC and MEC) flow to
- PacifiCorp?
- 17 A. Cost assignments to PacifiCorp will be based on generally accepted cost
- assignment practices. As described in more detail below, direct costs for the
- MEHC and MEC services will be billed to the entity benefiting from the service
- 20 provided. All other costs related to the services provided, including indirect costs,
- will be fully allocated to MEHC and all benefiting subsidiaries.
- 22 Q. Could you give an example of what you mean by direct and indirect costs?
- 23 A. Direct costs arise from services that are specifically attributable to a single entity.

l	For example, if I'm researching an accounting issue for an affiliate, I would
2	directly bill that entity for the time spent researching the issue. However, the cost
3	of the reference material purchased to research accounting issues would benefit
4	more than one entity, so the cost of the reference material would be an indirect
5	cost and allocated to all entities that benefit from the materials.

- Q. Please describe the service agreement that will govern the shared services to be provided.
- Services Agreement ("IASA") that has been executed by MEHC and its subsidiaries. The IASA is used to govern the provision of certain administrative services between MEHC and affiliates. The existing IASA is attached as Exhibit No.__(TBS-2). This agreement outlines the terms and conditions of the shared services arrangement between MEHC and its subsidiaries, which will eventually include PacifiCorp.
- Q. Please describe the system of accounts that will be used to capture and bill shared costs.
- A. Costs and billings originating at MEHC will be accounted for using MEHC's
 existing system of accounts. The MEHC system of accounts provides details on
 the type of cost activity involved and the area responsible for incurred the charge.

 As a regulated public utility, MEC is required to use and account for costs using
 the FERC uniform system of accounts. In addition to the FERC primary
 accounts, MEC utilizes an additional three-digit "sub-account" field to provide
 more descriptive detail of the type of cost activity involved. Both MEHC and

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MEC utilize a responsibility center field in the code block to establish budgetary control of amounts charged and provide an audit trail to the department originally incurring the charges. Other segments of the code block used by MEC capture cost elements (descriptive of the nature of costs, e.g., labor, payables, etc.) and project numbers. Both the MEHC and MEC code blocks accommodate a high degree of flexibility and capability in tracking and reporting costs.

- Q. How will MEC segregate shared costs from costs it incurs on its own behalf or directly on behalf of other MEHC subsidiaries?
- A separate "business unit" will be established within MEC's accounting system 9 A. which will be structured to capture the costs of functions providing shared 10 services. Expenses originating in this "business unit" will allocate to all 11 benefiting MEHC entities, instead of merely to MEC operations, to the extent that 12 costs are not directly billed to MEC or to other MEHC subsidiaries. MEC has 13 employed this kind of accounting system in order to allocate costs for state 14 jurisdictional reporting purposes, and this methodology has been utilized in Iowa, 15 Illinois, and South Dakota for a number of years as the basis for rate filings. The 16 allocation process utilizes well-established controls, and an audit trail is 17 maintained such that all costs subject to allocation can be specifically identified 18 back to their origin. 19
- 20 Q. On what basis will shared services be charged?
- 21 A. Shared services, whether directly billed or allocated, will be charged at fully
 22 loaded actual cost. This means that only the actual cost of providing the service,
 23 with no markup for profit, will be charged. Labor, for example, will include such

- items as loadings for benefits, paid absences and payroll taxes attributable to such labor for actual time spent providing the service. Non-labor costs will be directly billed or allocated at actual amounts incurred by MEHC and MEC.
- 4 Q. Will this result in any cross-subsidization between MEHC entities?
- 5 A. No. To the contrary, billing at cost will eliminate any potential cross-
- subsidization between entities and ensure that only actual costs are reflected in
- 7 rates charged to both MEC customers and PacifiCorp customers.
- 8 Q. Will MEHC own assets used for shared services?
- 9 A. Yes, it will own assets used for providing shared services. Assets used for shared services will be billed based on utilization of the asset, at an amount that recovers the fixed costs of the asset.
- 12 Q. Will MEHC each a profit on any shared services it provides?
- 13 A. No, MEHC will not earn profits on such services. All such shared services costs
 14 incurred by MEHC will be directly charged when the benefiting organization can
 15 be specifically identified, and any residual indirect amounts will be allocated each
 16 month to all benefiting subsidiaries. Shared services costs incurred by MEC on
 17 behalf of MEHC subsidiaries will also be fully allocated, to the extent not directly
 18 charged.
- 19 Q. Will any costs remain at MEHC?
- 20 A. Yes. Costs attributable to activities not appropriately billed or allocated to MEHC
 21 subsidiaries, such as general merger and acquisition costs, and interest expense of
 22 MEHC, will be paid for and remain at MEHC. MEHC's share of indirect costs
 23 will also remain at MEHC.

1	Q.	Will any costs, other than the shared costs mentioned above, be charged to
2		PacifiCorp from any other affiliates of MEHC?

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A. It is not expected that any significant administrative costs will originate from any MEHC affiliate other than MEC. However, when specific expertise is needed or available from other MEHC business platforms, the IASA provides the flexibility for any member of the MEHC group to request services at cost from other entities in the group. Services of this nature are situation-specific and not expected to be recurring.

In addition, normal course of business transactions negotiated at armslength or subject to tariff provisions, such as the existing contracts between PacifiCorp and MEHC subsidiaries to purchase gas transportation service from Kern River Gas Transmission Company and steam from Intermountain Geothermal Company for PacifiCorp's Blundell plant, may be initiated by PacifiCorp. These services would continue to be subject to the applicable state or federal regulatory approvals, including existing tariffs.

Q. What allocation methodology will be used to allocate MEHC and MEC shared costs not directly billed to MEHC entities?

Indirect costs of MEHC and MEC, allocable to MEHC and all subsidiaries, will be allocated using a two-factor formula comprised of assets and payroll, each equally weighted. Within thirty (30) days of receiving all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals of the proposed transaction, a final cost allocation methodology will be submitted to the Commissions. On an ongoing basis, the Commission will be notified of anticipated or mandated changes to this cost

- allocation methodology. Of course, as specified in commitment 7(f) in Table 1
 later in my testimony, the Commission will determine the appropriate corporate
 cost allocation for establishing rates.
- 4 Q. Why is the two-factor formula appropriate?
- 5 A. This allocation methodology is based on the formula presently approved for use
 6 by MEC and MEHC to allocate indirect common corporate costs. Further, it is
 7 consistent with the IASA that will govern these services, and it has been utilized
 8 by MEC for a number of years as the basis for rate filings in each of the states it
 9 operates. These regulators have recognized that a single allocation factor to
 10 allocate common corporate costs is not reasonable.
- 11 Q. How does the two-factor formula compare to the three-factor formula used 12 by PacifiCorp?
- 13 A. The factors produce similar results. Estimated costs allocated to PacifiCorp using
 14 the two-factor formula are not expected to be materially different than costs
 15 allocated using the three-factor formula.
- Q. Will PacifiCorp's inter-jurisdictional cost allocation methodology change as a result of the MEHC purchase transaction?
- 18 A. No. The methodology described above will only be used to allocate shared
 19 services costs from MEHC and MEC. PacifiCorp's current methods for assigning
 20 costs jurisdictionally will not change as a result of the transaction.

1	Q.	What is the expected impact on PacifiCorp costs of the shared services
2		charges from MEHC and MEC?

- Shared services charges to PacifiCorp are expected to decrease from historical A. 3 amounts billed to PacifiCorp from ScottishPower. Exhibit No. (TBS-3) 4 presents an analysis of historical shared services costs from ScottishPower and 5 expected shared services costs upon MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp. Net 6 cross-charges to be paid by PacifiCorp to ScottishPower for the fiscal year ending 7 March 31, 2006, are projected to be \$15.0 million. MEHC estimates that its 8 shared costs to PacifiCorp would have totaled \$9.6 million for the same period. 9 MEHC is making a commitment that such costs will not exceed \$9 million per 10 year for five (5) years following the close of this transaction. 11
- 12 Q. Will PacifiCorp continue to provide services to its direct subsidiaries?
- 13 A. Yes, such services will continue under existing service agreements.
- 14 Q. Please summarize this portion of your testimony regarding the shared

 15 services acquisition commitments that MEHC is undertaking in connection

 16 with the proposed transaction.
- A. Shared services costs will be direct billed or allocated to PacifiCorp, MEHC and other subsidiaries, primarily from MEHC or MEC. To the extent costs are not directly billed and need to be allocated, a two-factor allocator consisting of assets and labor, each equally weighted, will be used to allocate the costs to each entity benefiting from the type of cost incurred. The IASA will govern the shared services to be provided by MECH or MEC. MEHC is making a commitment that shared services costs from MEHC and MEC will not exceed \$9 million per year

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for five (5) years following the close of the transaction.

Commitments

- 3 Q. Are you providing support for some of the commitments in MEHC witness
- 4 Mr. Gale's Exhibit No.__(BEG-2)?
- 5 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following financial and structural commitments that
- 6 MEHC is undertaking with respect to the proposed transaction.

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Table 1
Financial and Structural Commitments that MEHC is Undertaking in Connection
with the Proposed Transaction

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	Regulatory Oversight			
D	Accounting Records	The Commission or its agents may audit the accounting records of MEHC and its subsidiaries that are the bases for charges to PacifiCorp, to determine the reasonableness of allocation factors used by MEHC to assign costs to PacifiCorp and amounts subject to allocation or direct charges. MEHC agrees to cooperate fully with such Commission audits.		
E	Affiliate Transactions	MEHC and PacifiCorp will comply with all existing Commission statutes and regulations regarding affiliated interest transactions, including timely filing of applications and reports.		
F	Affiliate Transactions	PacifiCorp will file on an annual basis an affiliated interest report including an organization chart, narrative description of each affiliate, revenue for each affiliate and transactions with each affiliate.		
G	Cross-subsidization	PacifiCorp and MEHC will not cross- subsidize between the regulated and non-regulated businesses or between any regulated businesses, and shall comply with the Commission's then- existing practice with respect to such		

		matters.
Н	Affiliate Transactions	Due to PUHCA repeal, neither Berkshire Hathaway nor MEHC will be registered public utility holding companies under PUHCA. Thus, no waiver by Berkshire Hathaway or MEHC of any defenses to which they may be entitled under Ohio Power Co. v. FERC, 954 F.2d 779 (D.C. Cir.), cert. denied sub nom. Arcadia v. Ohio Power Co., 506 U.S. 981 (1992) ("Ohio Power"), is necessary to maintain the Commission's regulation of MEHC and PacifiCorp. However, while PUHCA is in effect, Berkshire Hathaway and MEHC waive such defenses.
K	Cost Allocations	Within 30 days of receiving all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals of the final corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodology, a written document setting forth the final corporate and affiliate cost methodology will be submitted to the Commission. On an on-going basis, the Commission will also be notified of anticipated or mandated changes to the corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodologies.
L	Cost Allocations	Any proposed cost allocation methodology for the allocation of corporate and affiliate investments, expenses, and overheads required by law or rule to be submitted to the Commission for approval, will comply with the following principles: (a) For services rendered to PacifiCorp or each cost category subject to allocation to PacifiCorp by MEHC or any of its affiliates, MEHC must be able to demonstrate that such service or cost category is necessary to PacifiCorp for the

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		performance of its regulated
		operations, is not
		duplicative of services
		already being performed
		within PacifiCorp, and is
	<i>a</i> >	reasonable and prudent.
	(b)	Cost allocations to
		PacifiCorp and its
		subsidiaries will be based
		on generally accepted
		accounting standards; that
		is, in general, direct costs
		will be charged to specific
		subsidiaries whenever
		possible and shared or
		indirect costs will be
		allocated based upon the
		primary cost-driving
		factors.
	(c)	MEHC will have in place
		time reporting systems
		adequate to support the
		allocation of costs of
		executives and other
		relevant personnel to
	(1)	PacifiCorp.
	(d)	An audit trail will be
		maintained such that all
		costs subject to allocation
		can be specifically
		identified, particularly with
		respect to their origin. In
		addition, the audit trail must
		be adequately supported.
		Failure to adequately
		support any allocated cost
		may result in denial of its
		recovery in rates.
	(e)	Costs which would have
		been denied recovery in
		rates had they been incurred
		by PacifiCorp regulated
		operations will likewise be
		denied recovery whether
		they are allocated directly
		or indirectly through

subsidiaries in the MEHC group.
(f) Any corporate cost allocation methodology used for rate setting, and subsequent changes thereto, will be submitted to the Commission for approval if
required by law or rule.

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- 2 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 3 A. Yes it does.

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MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company Projected Shared Services Costs to PacifiCorp (000's)

<u>Description</u>		<u>MEHC</u>		MEC	<u>Total</u>
Salaries, benefits and bonuses	\$	3,057	\$	1,220	\$ 4,277
Other employee compensation		1,933		655	2,587
Outside services		453		715	1,168
Travel costs, incl. corporate aircraft		420		983	1,403
Other		51		80	131
Total	\$	5,913	\$	3,652	\$ 9,566
Expected Net Scottish Power charges for Fiscal Year 2006				15,000	
					\$ (5,434)

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In connection with Applicants' request for a Commission order by February 28, 2006, it is noteworthy that the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") will not act in advance of approvals from the respective state public utility commissions. The SEC's policy in this respect is founded on its desire to avoid pressuring the states to act in a particular manner, to avoid rendering decisions on theoretical transactions, and to avoid impacting share prices and value by having an extended period between approval and closing. Thus, ruling on the Application should not be delayed in the hope that doing so would permit the SEC to rule first, and Applicants respectfully ask the Commission not to delay its ruling on the Application on this ground.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

The exact name and address of MEHC's principal business office is as follows:

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company 666 Grand Avenue, Suite 2900 Des Moines, Iowa 50309

MEHC is an Iowa corporation, whose ownership, as of January 31, 2005, is as follows:

Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (83.75% economic interest); Walter Scott, Jr., including family interests, (15.89% economic interest); David Sokol (0.25% economic interest); and Greg Abel (0.11% economic interest). On a diluted basis the economic interests would be as follows:

Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (80.48% economic interest); Walter Scott, Jr., including family interests, (15.27% economic interest); David Sokol (2.91% economic interest); and Greg Abel (1.35% economic interest). Further detail concerning the ownership of MEHC may be found at page 108 of MEHC's 2004 annual report on Form 10-K attached to MEHC witness Pat Goodman's testimony.

¹ The voting stock ownership of these four investors is as follows: (1) Walter Scott, including family interests, holds an 88.1% voting interest; (2) Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. holds a 9.9% voting interest; (3) David Sokol holds a 1.4% voting interest; and (4) Greg Abel holds a 0.6% voting interest.

Berkshire Hathaway currently holds 9.9% of the voting stock ownership of MEHC and 41,263,395 shares of MEHC's zero coupon convertible preferred stock.² This preferred stock is convertible into MEHC common shares at the option of Berkshire Hathaway under specific circumstances, as discussed more fully in Mr. Goodman's testimony. One such circumstance is the repeal or amendment of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and any successor legislation ("PUHCA") such that the conversion of preferred stock would not cause Berkshire Hathaway (or any affiliate of Berkshire Hathaway) to become regulated as a registered holding company. On or after February 8, 2006, the effective date of repeal of PUHCA, MEHC anticipates that Berkshire Hathaway will exercise its right to convert the zero coupon convertible preferred stock in the event this circumstance occurs, whereupon Berkshire Hathaway's voting interest willoudd correspond to its ownership interest.

Persons authorized on behalf of MEHC to receive notices and communications with respect to this Application are:

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Persons authorized on behalf of PacifiCorp to receive notices and communications with respect to this Application are:

² While the convertible preferred stock does not vote with the common stock in the election of directors, the convertible preferred stock gives Berkshire Hathaway the right to elect 20% of MEHC's Board of Directors (currently two of the ten members of the MEHC Board of Directors). Additionally, the prior approval of Berkshire Hathaway, as the holder of convertible preferred stock, is required for certain fundamental transactions by MEHC, as further discussed in Mr. Goodman's testimony.

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DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION

On May 23, 2005, ScottishPower and PacifiCorp Holdings, Inc. ("PHI"), its wholly owned subsidiary directly holding PacifiCorp's common stock, reached a definitive agreement ("Stock Purchase Agreement"), providing for the sale of all PacifiCorp common stock, held by PHI, to MEHC for a value of approximately \$9.4 billion, consisting of approximately \$5.1 billion in cash plus approximately \$4.3 billion in net debt and preferred stock, which will remain outstanding at PacifiCorp. The Stock Purchase Agreement is included as Appendix 2.

A limited liability company referred to as PPW Holdings LLC ("Holdings") has been established as a direct subsidiary of MEHC. Holdings will receive an equity infusion of approximately \$5.1 billion raised by MEHC through the sale of either common stock or zero coupon convertible preferred stock to Berkshire Hathaway and the issuance of long-term senior notes, preferred stock, or other securities with equity characteristics, to third parties. However, the transaction is not conditioned on such financing and if funds were not available from third parties, Berkshire Hathaway is expected to provide any required funding. Finally, Holdings will have no debt of its own for this transaction. Holdings will, as provided in the Stock Purchase Agreement, pay PHI \$5.1 billion in cash at closing, in exchange for 100% of the common stock of PacifiCorp. In addition, it is projected that the approximately \$4.3 billion in net debt and preferred stock currently outstanding at PacifiCorp will remain outstanding as liabilities of PacifiCorp. The acquisition is subject to customary closing conditions, including approval of the

MEHC intends to maintain separate debt ratings for PacifiCorp, and the Applicants expect the transaction to have a positive impact on PacifiCorp's bond ratings and financing costs. MEHC's financial capabilities and the reaction of the credit rating agencies to the announcement of this transaction with respect to PacifiCorp's bond ratings are described below, in the "Financial Strength" section concerning MEHC.

PacifiCorp will continue to be charged for certain common services provided to it as part of a larger organization. Under MEHC's ownership, these services will be limited to management services (e.g., board of directors support, corporate tax, financial planning and analysis, financial reporting) and will be provided by a service company ("ServCo") subsidiary of-MEHC, as well as MEC. In connection with this transaction, MEHC is making a commitment to cap such charges at \$9 million per annum for a five year period, compared to the \$15 million PacifiCorp is projected to incur from ScottishPower in FY2006. See testimony on shared service charges from MEHC witness Specketer.

PacifiCorp's headquarters will remain in Portland, Oregon. All PacifiCorp financial books and records will be kept in Portland, Oregon, and will continue to be available to the Commission, upon request, at PacifiCorp's offices in Portland and Salt Lake City, and elsewhere in accordance with current practice. There are no plans for a reduction in workforce as a result of this transaction. MEHC will also renew and extend the commitments that have been previously made by PacifiCorp as set forth in Exhibit No. ___ (BEG-2) in the testimony of MEHC witness Gale, and as discussed in the testimonies of MEHC witnesses Abel, Goodman, Gale and Specketer.

As the foregoing demonstrates, PacifiCorp's customers, communities and regulators are not likely to notice significant changes in PacifiCorp's business practices as a result of the

- at least a 10 basis point reduction for five years (\$6.3 million) in the cost of PacifiCorp's issuances of long-term debt;
- at least a \$30 million reduction (over five years) in corporate overhead costs;
- consideration of reduced-emissions coal technologies such as IGCC and supercritical;
- affirmation of PacifiCorp's goal of 1400 MW of cost-effective renewable resources, including 100 MW of new wind energy within one year of the close of the transaction and up to 400 MW of new wind energy after the transmission line projects are completed;
- reduction in sulfur hexafluoride emissions;
- \$1 million shareholder-funded system-wide study designed to further demand-side management and energy efficiency programs where cost effective;
- a 2-year extension of the customer service standards and performance guarantees;
- a commitment of MEHC's resources and involvement, in cooperation with the PacifiCorp states, to look into transmission projects beneficial to the region, such as the Rocky Mountain Area Transmission Study ("RMATS") and the Frontier transmission line project;
- uniform application of the commitments from the prior PacifiCorp transaction in all six states; and
- offering a utility own/operate option for consideration in renewable energy RFPs.

The above-mentioned benefits will be of substantial value to PacifiCorp's customers, communities and employees in future years, as will MEHC's long-term commitment to assist PacifiCorp to execute on its meet its projected future capital needs, including long-term investment in PacifiCorp's integrated energy infrastructure.

MEHC believes the chief benefit from the proposed transaction is MEHC's willingness and ability to deploy capital to meet PacifiCorp's significant infrastructure needs. MEHC has focused on investments in the energy industry and is uniquely positioned to invest significant capital in the industry. Thus, MEHC is exceptionally well-matched to utilities, such as

PacifiCorp, with a need for significant capital investment. This is particularly true when one considers the further advantage that arises from the reduced cost of debt that results from association with Berkshire Hathaway. As noted in the testimony of MEHC witness Goodman, the savings from this effect are substantial. The energy business is very capital intensive. With an owner like MEHC, that is well-positioned to undertake the efficient raising of capital, PacifiCorp will possess a key ingredient for successfully meeting its customers' current and future demands for energy. This is especially so since MEHC is free from the quarterly demand for shareholder dividends. It is MEHC's expectation that it will be the last owner of PacifiCorp, because MEHC invests for the long term. MEHC believes this will be to the benefit of PacifiCorp's customers, communities and employees. Knowing that MEHC intends to own PacifiCorp for the long-term will, MEHC believes, enhance customer and community confidence in PacifiCorp and its energy infrastructure that is so important to economic development.

MEHC's long-term focus should also enhance the confidence of PacifiCorp's employees and management, enabling them to devote their full focus on exceeding customer expectations.

OTHER REGULATORY APPROVALS

Authorization from the SEC will be required both for MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp, and for MEHC's operation as a registered utility holding company under PUHCA. Repeal of PUHCA is in legislation currently before a joint House-Senate conference committee of the U.S. Congress; however repeal is not necessary for completion of the transaction.

Based on discussions with SEC staff and the assessments of legal counsel, we expect the transaction to be authorized by the SEC under the terms and precedents of PUHCA. We believe the acquisition will satisfy the standards under Section 10 of PUHCA that require a utility acquisition to be for reasonable and fair consideration, to not unduly concentrate control of

public utilities, to not unduly complicate the capital structure of utility systems, and to tend towards the development of an integrated public utility system. See the testimony of MEHC witness Gale for further details.

MEHC and PacifiCorp will seek approval of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act ("FPA"), for the proposed transaction, inasmuch as it will result in the indirect transfer, to MEHC, of control of the "jurisdictional facilities" of PacifiCorp. PacifiCorp and MEC will also seek FERC approval, pursuant to Section 205 of the FPA, of:—(i) any revisions to their respective Open Access Transmission Tariffs; and (ii) their Joint Operating Agreement which will govern certain transactions between PacifiCorp and MEC, and which will establish the process for PacifiCorp—MEC analysis of opportunities to increase efficiencies.

ScottishPower will file with the SEC for deregistration and sale approval under Sections 5(d) and 12(d) of PUHCA.

MEHC and PacifiCorp will make notification filings pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976 ("HSR Act"). The proposed transaction cannot be consummated until the waiting periods prescribed in the HSR Act lapse.

As a non-operating owner of 2.5% of the Trojan nuclear power plant, which is in the later stages of decommissioning, PacifiCorp and MEHC must seek approval from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") for an indirect transfer of the spent nuclear fuel license resulting from the change in control of the licensee. The applicants must assure the NRC that there will be no adverse impact on its ability to meet its financial obligations under the license and that there will be no adverse impact on the public interest, national security or the public health and safety.

will testify about the <u>costs of formation of a service company to provide</u> certain common services to <u>be provided to PacifiCorp</u>, MEC and other MEHC subsidiaries. Mr. Specketer will describe the service company, the procedures for sharing services between MEHC and its affiliates, the joint administrative services agreement applicable to MEHC and its affiliates, and the implications and benefits for PacifiCorp customers. He will also sponsor some of the regulatory oversight commitments being offered by MEHC and PacifiCorp.

•Jeff Gust, Vice President of Energy Supply Management of MEC, will testify regarding the transmission path that is planned to connect PacifiCorp with MEC and the Joint Operating Agreement that will govern certain aspects of the use of that transmission path.

CONCLUSION

MEHC has made more than 60 commitments to the public interest, customers and states served by PacifiCorp. Included in these commitments are reductions in PacifiCorp's costs totaling more than \$36 million over five years and more than \$75 million over a longer period.

MEHC shareholders will also absorb \$1 million of costs of a system-wide demand side management study. In addition to these readily quantifiable benefits, MEHC is committing to \$1.3 billion of infrastructure investment in PacifiCorp's system.

MEHC looks forward to being able to invest in the future of PacifiCorp, focusing upon our identified objectives of customer satisfaction, reliable service, employee safety, environmental stewardship and regulatory/legislative credibility. This application and testimony demonstrate that it is committed to extending customer service standards and performance guarantees, investing to improve transmission reliability and import capability, investing to enhance wind power development, investing to reduce emissions from coal plants, and furthering demand side management and energy efficiency. This will be done while maintaining our focus on exceeding customer expectations. Lastly, but perhaps most importantly, we believe that regulators and legislators in the states MEHC currently is privileged to serve will agree that perhaps the most valuable asset MEHC brings to the areas it serves is integrity in its relationship

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16		 Thomas B. Specketer, MEC's Vice President of U.S. Regulatory Accounting and Controller, will testify about the costs offormation of a service company to provide certain common services to be provided to PacifiCorp, MEC and other MEHC subsidiaries. Mr. Specketer will describe the service company, the procedures for sharing services between MEHC and its affiliates, the joint administrative services agreement applicable to MEHC and its affiliates, and the implications and benefits for PacifiCorp customers. He will also sponsor some of the regulatory oversight commitments being offered by MEHC and PacifiCorp. Jeffery J. Gust, MEC's Vice President of Energy Supply Management, will testify regarding the transmission path that is planned to connect PacifiCorp with MEC and the Joint Operating Agreement that will govern certain aspects of the use of that transmission path. In addition to each of the above-mentioned MEHC witnesses, Judi Johansen,
17		President and CEO of PacifiCorp, will testify regarding PacifiCorp's support for
18		the transaction and the reasons for the sale of PacifiCorp by Scottish Power plc
19		("ScottishPower").
20	MEH	C And Its Business Activities
21	Q.	Please explain the business activities of MEHC.
22	A.	MEHC is a privately-held global company engaged primarily in the production
23		and delivery of energy from a variety of fuel sources - including coal, natural gas,
24		geothermal, hydroelectric, nuclear, wind and biomass. MEHC has access to
25		significant financial and managerial resources through its relationship with
26		Berkshire Hathaway. The other three owners of MEHC are Walter Scott, Jr.
27		(including family interests), David Sokol (Chairman and CEO of MEHC) and me.
28		MEHC's global assets total approximately \$20 billion, and its 2004 revenues
29		totaled \$6.6 billion. MEHC's six major business platforms are as follows:
30 31 32		• MidAmerican Energy Company is a vertically integrated electric and natural gas utility headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa. MEC provides regulated electric service to approximately 605,000 customers in Iowa,

fits well with PacifiCorp's profile, and as a consequence, the proposed transaction offers significant benefits for PacifiCorp customers, employees and communities.

MEHC is uniquely suited to undertake the infrastructure investments

PacifiCorp faces in the coming years since it is privately-held and not subject to
shareholder expectations of regular, quarterly dividends and relatively high
returns on investments. MEHC's investors are focused on increasing value
through significant, long-term investment in well-operated energy companies that
offer predictable, reasonable returns.

MEHC's business strategy should provide PacifiCorp customers, employees, communities, and regulators with valuable stability. Indeed, they would be justified in expecting that MEHC will be the last owner of PacifiCorp. As a result, PacifiCorp's management and employees will be able to focus on exceeding customer expectations.

The opportunities for a successful transaction and transition are enhanced by the significant similarities between PacifiCorp and MEC. As discussed by MEHC witness Gale, the utilities' similarities include: comparable service territories (e.g., multi-state areas with relatively low population density and few large urban centers); a mix of retail-access and traditionally regulated utility business; a focus on customer satisfaction and employee safety; use of renewable energy technologies; use of low-sulfur, Western-basin coals; a long history of providing DSM and energy efficiency programs; and use of collaborative processes to develop environmental, DSM and energy efficiency programs.

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over the post-acquisition five-year period. MEHC witness Goodman will 1 2 testify regarding this benefit in greater detail. 3 4 Corporate Overhead Charges: MEHC commits that the corporate 5 charges to PacifiCorp from MEHCthe service company and MEC will not exceed \$9 million annually for a period of five years after the closing on 6 7 the proposed transaction. (In FY2006, ScottishPower's net cross-charges 8 to PacifiCorp are projected to be \$15 million.) MEHC witness Specketer 9 testifies regarding this benefit in greater detail. 10 Future Generation Options: In Exhibit No. (BEG-2), MEHC and 11 PacifiCorp adopt a commitment to source future PacifiCorp generation 12 resources consistent with the then current rules and regulations of each 13 state. In addition to that commitment, for the next ten years, MEHC and 14 PacifiCorp commit that they will submit as part of any RFPs --including 15 renewable energy RFPs -- a 100 MW or more utility "own/operate" 16 proposal for the particular resource. It is not the intent or objective that 17 such proposals be favored over other options. Rather, the option for 18 PacifiCorp to own and operate the resource which is the subject of the 19 RFP will enable comparison and evaluation of that option against other 20 21 alternatives. In addition to providing regulators and interested parties with an additional viable option for assessment, it can be expected that this 22 commitment will enhance PacifiCorp's ability to increase the proportion 23 of cost-effective renewable energy in its generation portfolio, based upon 24 the actual experience of MEC and the "Renewable Energy" commitment 25 offered below. 26 27 Renewable Energy: MEHC reaffirms PacifiCorp's commitment to 28 acquire 1400 MW of new cost-effective renewable resources, representing 29 approximately 7% of PacifiCorp's load. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to 30 work with developers and bidders to bring at least 100 MW of cost-31 32 effective wind resources in service within one year of the close of the 33 transaction. 34 MEHC and PacifiCorp expect that the commitment to build the Walla-35 Walla and Path C transmission lines will facilitate up to 400 MW of 36 renewable resource projects with an expected in-service date of 2008 -37 2010. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to actively work with developers to 38 identify other transmission improvements that can facilitate the delivery of 39 wind energy in PacifiCorp's service area. 40 41 42 In addition, MEHC and PPW commit to work constructively with states to implement renewable energy action plans so as to enable achievement of 43

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PacifiCorp's 1400 MW commitment.

1		The commitments by MEHC and PacifiCorp, coupled with the continued
2		ability of PacifiCorp management to make state policy and business decisions,
3		will allow PacifiCorp to continue its efforts to expand energy efficiency system-
4		wide, and take advantage of its increased financial resources to upgrade its current
5		institutional capacities to acquire cost-effective savings.
6	Q.	Are there other benefits that will accrue to customers as a result of the
7		proposed transaction?
8	A.	Yes. Benefits also result from making the commitments contained in Exhibit
9		No(BEG-2) uniform across all states. With the exception of a few state-
10		specific commitments noted in that exhibit, the commitments will be applied in all
11		six states. This will enable regulators to have a consistent and readily identifiable
12		set of commitments and simplify administration for PacifiCorp. Because the
13		previous commitments were not uniform across the states, uniform application of
14		the commitments will mean that every state will be receiving some additional
15		commitments that were not previously applicable to it.
16		We also believe that the benefit of MEHC's long-term ability and
17		willingness to invest in energy infrastructure is significant and real but not readily
18		capable of quantification. Similarly, the stability of ownership of MEHC and
19		Berkshire Hathaway provides security for customers, employees and the states
20		served.
21	<u>Pacifi</u>	CorpPacificorp Operations Post-TransactionTrasaction
22	Q.	How will PacifiCorp operate after completion of the transaction?
23	A.	PacifiCorp will operate very much like it does today. PacifiCorp will become a

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opportunities to enhance PacifiCorp's ability to accept the output from wind generators and balance the system cost effectively in a regional environment.

- <u>Other Transmission and Distribution Matters:</u> MEHC and PacifiCorp make the following commitments to improve system reliability:
 - o investment in the Asset Risk Program of \$75 million over the three years, 2007-2009,
 - o investment in local transmission risk projects across all states of \$69 million over eight years after the close of the transaction,
 - O & M expense for the Accelerated Distribution Circuit Fusing Program across all states will be increased by \$1.5 million per year for five years after the close of the transaction, and
 - extension of the O&M investment across all states for the Saving SAIDI Initiative for three additional years at an estimated cost of \$2 million per year.

MEHC and PacifiCorp will also support the Bonneville Power Administration in its development of short-term products such as conditional firm and redispatch products. PacifiCorp will also initiate a process to collaboratively design similar products at PacifiCorp.

- Reduced Cost of Debt: MEHC believes that PacifiCorp's incremental cost of long-term debt will be reduced as a result of the proposed transaction, due to the association with Berkshire Hathaway. Historically, MEHC's utility subsidiaries have been able to issue long-term debt at levels below their peers with similar credit ratings. MEHC commits that over the next five years it will demonstrate that PacifiCorp's incremental long-term debt issuances will be at a yield ten basis points below its similarly rated peers. If it is unsuccessful in demonstrating that PacifiCorp has done so, PacifiCorp will accept up to a ten (10) basis point reduction to the yield it actually incurred on any incremental long-term debt issuances for any revenue requirement calculation effective for the five-year period subsequent to the approval of the proposed acquisition. It is projected that this benefit will yield a value roughly equal to \$6.3 million over the post-acquisition five-year period. MEHC witness Goodman will testify regarding this benefit in greater detail.
- Corporate Overhead Charges: MEHC commits that the corporate charges to PacifiCorp from MEHC the service company and MEC will not exceed \$9 million annually for a period of five years after the closing on the proposed transaction. (In FY2006, ScottishPower's net cross-charges to PacifiCorp are projected to be \$15 million.) MEHC witness Specketer testifies regarding this benefit in greater detail.

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1	•	PacifiCorp will become a separate business platform under MEHC, with
2		its own business plan, its own management, its own state policies, and the
3		responsibility for making decisions that achieve the objectives identified
4		in the testimony of MEHC witness Mr. Abel (i.e., customer satisfaction,
5		reliable service, employee safety, environmental stewardship, and
6		regulatory/legislative credibility).
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8	•	The many similarities between MEC and PacifiCorp will facilitate an easy
9		transition of PacifiCorp as a separate subsidiary of MEHC.
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11	•	MEC's operations, as a subsidiary of MEHC, provide demonstrable
12		evidence that PacifiCorp will have the ability to continue its emphasis on
13		key utility performance areas such as: customer service; safety; integrated
1.3		Key utility performance areas such as. Customer service, safety, integrated

key utility performance areas such as: customer service; safety; integrated resource planning; a balanced mix of generating resources, including renewable generation; use of energy efficiency and demand-side management ("DSM"); investment in environmental emission control technology; and collaborative processes.

MEHCMECH and PacifiCorp Commitments

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Please explain the uniform set of commitments you referenced. Q.

MEHC and PacifiCorp have reviewed the commitments required by the six states Α. in the Scottish Power plc ("ScottishPower") transaction. We have also met with numerous groups that may have an interest in this transaction and asked them to identify the risks and concerns that they have at this time.

Exhibit No.__(BEG-2) responds to the risks and concerns addressed in the previous PacifiCorp transaction and to many of the risks and concerns that have been raised in the meetings with interested groups. This Exhibit identifies MEHC's and PacifiCorp's commitments to address these risks and concerns. The new commitments sponsored by MEHC witness Mr. Abel address other concerns expressed in the meetings with interested groups. MEHC and PacifiCorp propose that the commitments in this Exhibit and those in MEHC witness Mr. Abel's Exhibit No. (GEA-2), supersede prior commitments and apply upon the close of

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1	and practicable; such conditions include ice, floods, tornados, storms and
2	snow.
3	 Regulated delivery and electric supply services are provided in multiple
4	state jurisdictions, with at least one state having competitive retail electric
5	supply access.
6	 The economy of the service area is significantly tied to the land
7	(agriculture, forestry, and mining).
8	• On the whole, the area served has a comparatively low-density population
9	except for a few major population centers.
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11	The maps attached to Exhibit No(BEG-3) provide some additional information
12	regarding the similarities.

MidAmerican Energy Company

13 Q. Please provide some historical background on MEC.

MEC and its predecessor corporations (e.g., Iowa Power Inc., Iowa-Illinois Gas 14 Α. and Electric Company, Iowa Public Service Company and their respective 15 predecessors) have been providing electric service in Iowa, Illinois and South 16 Dakota for approximately 100 years. MEC is the product of a merger between 17 Midwest Power Systems Inc. and Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company in 18 1995. Midwest Power Systems Inc., in turn, was the result of a prior merger 19 between Iowa Power Inc. and Iowa Public Service Company¹ in 1992. In 1999, 20 MEC was acquired by CalEnergy Company Inc. (subsequently known as 21 "MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company" or "MEHC"), and in 2000, MEHC 22 and an investor group comprised of Berkshire Hathaway Inc, Walter Scott, Jr. (a 23 director of MEHC), David Sokol (Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of 24

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¹ The utilities' parent holding companies (non-registered, exempt holding companies), Iowa Resources Inc. and Midwest Energy Company, were previously merged in 1990 creating a new holding company (also a non-registered, exempt holding company) called Midwest Resources Inc.

1		increase in the percentage discussed in PacifiCorp witness Johansen's testimony.
2		Please also note the commitment, Revenue Requirements Impacts B, of Exhibit
3		No(BEG-2).
4	Revi	ew and Approval of the Transaction
5	Q.	Please describe the various reviews and/or approvals of the transaction that
6		MEHC anticipates.
7	A.	Following are the shareholder and regulatory reviews anticipated with respect to
8		the proposed transaction:
9		• approval of the shareholders of ScottishPower;
10		approval and/or waiver from the public utility commissions in the states of
11		California, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming;
12		• approval of the transfer of the Trojan spent fuel storage license by the U.S.
13		Nuclear Regulatory Commission;
14		• approval of the transfer of jurisdictional facilities by the Federal Energy
15		Regulatory Commission ("FERC") under Section 203 of the Federal
16		Power Act;
17		• approval by FERC of revisions to the open access transmission tariffs of
18		PacifiCorp and MEC and approval of their joint operating agreement
19	İ	under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act;
20		• authorization by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC")
21		of MEHC's acquisition (and ScottishPower's sale) of PacifiCorp;
22		authorization by the SEC to enable MEHC and its subsidiaries to operate
23		as a registered holding company system and engage in ongoing financing

1	and investment activities and other transactions following registration of
2	MEHC as a public utility holding company under the federal Public Utility
3	Holding Company Act of 1935 ("PUHCA");
4	• review of the proposed transaction by the U.S. Department of Justice
5	under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act; and
6	approval by the Federal Communications Commission of the change of
7	control with respect to certain communication licenses held by PacifiCorp.
8	Q. Is this transaction contingent upon repeal of PUHCA?
9	A. No.
10	Q. Do you expect the proposed acquisition to be authorized by the SEC under
11	PUHCA?
12	A. Yes. Based on discussions with SEC staff and the assessments of legal counsel,
13	we expect the transaction to be authorized by the SEC under the terms and
14	precedents of PUHCA. We believe we can demonstrate that the acquisition will
15	satisfy the standards under Section 10 of PUHCA that require a utility acquisition
16	to be for reasonable and fair consideration, to not unduly concentrate control of
17	public utilities, to not unduly complicate the capital structure of utility systems,
18	and to tend towards the development of an integrated public utility system.
19	The consideration for the transaction was the result of arms length
20	bargaining. The acquisition does not create an unduly large utility company,
21	compared to many others in the U.S., particularly in terms of number of
22	customers served. The transaction does not result in a complicated capital
23	structure, since the capital structure is one already accepted for MEHC.

1	Q. How do you plan to satisfy PUHCA's requirement that PacifiCorp and MEC
2	must be capable of interconnection and coordinated operations and be within
3	a single area or region?
4	A. As discussed in MEHC witness Gust's testimony, the companies plan to obtain a
5	contract path that will permit them to transfer power between themselves. Mr.
6	Gust also explains the joint operating agreement that will allow coordinated
7	operations.
8	We believe the integrated system also will satisfy the so-called single area
9	or region requirement of PUHCA. The utilities operate in contiguous states, in
10	contrast to many approved and pending transactions involving PUHCA registered
11	holding companies. Refer to my Exhibit No(BEG-8). The PacifiCorp/MEC
12	states form a region characterized by relatively low population density and local
13	economies tied to the land (agriculture, forestry, and mining). The region is also
14	characterized by a preponderance of public power entities and large transmission
15	systems relative to load. See Exhibit No(BEG-3). There are other factors
16	which support our opinion, and these will be set forth in our SEC filing which will
17	be made available to the parties in this Docket.
18	Q. If PUHCA is repealed, will MEHC continue to pursue the acquisition of a
19	transmission path between PacifiCorp and MEC?
20	A. MEHC would continue to pursue acquisition of a transmission path if it were
21	economically justified.

1	Q	How will the costs of the transmission services associated with the path be
2		treated by MEHC and PacifiCorp for ratemaking?
3	A. —	MEHC and PacifiCorp commit not to seek to include PacifiCorp's share of the
4		costs of the transmission services associated with the path in PacifiCorp's rates
5		except to the extent that benefits to customers can be shown to offset the costs.
6	Q	MEHC's organization as a registered holding company under PUHCA will
7		mark a change in MEHC's status. Please explain the implications of this
8		change in status for PacifiCorp.
9	A. —	After the transaction, MEHC will be a registered holding company, subject to the
10		full regulatory regime of PUHCA. MEHC will form a shared services company
11		("ServCo") that will perform a small number of management services for MEHC
12		subsidiaries. MEHC witness Specketer addresses the ServCo in greater detail in
13	:	his testimony. Otherwise, MEHC's status as a registered holding company will
14	:	have minimal impact on PacifiCorp, which will operate as a stand-alone business
15		platform.
16	 Mark	xet Monitor and Transmission Services Coordinator
17	Q.	Please describe the Market Monitor Proposal that MEHC has put forward in
18		connection with its proposed acquisition of PacifiCorp.
19	A.	Under the proposal, MEC and PacifiCorp would each contract with a market
20		monitor to assure nondiscrimination in the management of each company's
21		transmission systems commencing on the day of the closing of the acquisition. A
22		market monitor is an independent organization retained to review, on an after-the-

fact basis, transmission system operations necessary to ensure the transmission

1		TSC. Ultimately, the TSC may provide transmission services to an area abutting
2		that of Grid West. At such time, it may be appropriate to put into place a seams
3		agreement between the TSC and Grid West to enhance transmission system
4		coordination among transmission users in the states served by PacifiCorp and
5		MEC.
6	Prop	osed Schedule
7	Q.	When does MEHC expect to complete the process of obtaining all of the
8		foregoing approvals and reviews?
9	A.	We very much want to complete all of the state approvals by February 28, 2006,
10		in time to close on the transaction on or before March 31, 2006. This is an
11		important transaction for PacifiCorp customers, employees and communities. In
12		order to mitigate the ill effects of uncertainty and expedite the delivery of
13		important benefits, we respectfully request that the Commission act in a manner
14		that will facilitate an order by February 28, 2006.
15		Closing on that date will also facilitate the transition of PacifiCorp's
16		financial reporting from a fiscal year ending March 31 as used by Scottish Power
17		to a calendar fiscal year consistent with how MEHC companies report their
18		financial statements. Such calendar year reporting is also consistent with

In connection with this request, I would note that the SEC has told us that it will not act in advance of approvals from the respective state public utility

audited financial statements rather than have regulatory reporting span two fiscal

regulatory reporting, which should enable regulators to utilize a single year's

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commissions. The SEC's policy in this respect is founded on their desire to avoid

pressuring the states to act in a particular manner, to avoid rendering decisions on

theoretical transactions, and to avoid impacting share prices and value by having

an extended period between its approval and closing. Thus, I would respectfully

ask the Commission not to delay its ruling on the acquisition in the hope that the

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7 Does this conclude your testimony? Q.

8 A. Yes, it does.

SEC will rule first.

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- G. PacifiCorp and MEHC will not cross-subsidize between the regulated and non-regulated businesses or between any regulated businesses, and shall comply with the Commission's then-existing practice with respect to such matters. (Witness Specketer)
- Due to PUHCA repeal, neither Berkshire Hathaway nor MEHC will be H. registered public utility holding companies under PUHCA. Thus, no waiver by Berkshire Hathaway or MEHC of any defenses to which they may be entitled under Ohio Power Co. v. FERC, 954 F.2d 779 (D.C. Cir.), cert, denied sub nom. Arcadia v. Ohio Power Co., 506 U.S. 981 (1992) ("Ohio Power"), is necessary to maintain the Commission's regulation of MEHC and PacifiCorp. However, while PUHCA is in effect, Berkshire Hathaway and MEHC waive such defenses. PacifiCorp and MEHC will not assert in any future Commission proceeding that the provisions of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or the related Ohio Power v FERC case preempt the Commission's jurisdiction over affiliated interest transactions and will explicitly waive any such defense in those proceedings. In the event that PUHCA is repealed or modified, PacifiCorp and MEHC agree not to seek any preemption under any subsequent modification or repeal of PUHCA. (Witness Specketer)
- I. Any diversified holdings and investments (e.g., non-utility business or foreign utilities) of MEHC and PacifiCorp following approval of the transaction will be held in a separate company(ies) other than PacifiCorp, the entity for utility operations. Ring-fencing provisions (i.e., measures providing for separate financial and accounting treatment) will be provided for each of these diversified activities, including but not limited to provisions protecting the regulated utility from the liabilities or financial distress of MEHC. This condition will not prohibit the holding of diversified businesses. (Witness Goodman)
- J. PacifiCorp or MEHC will notify the Commission subsequent to MEHC's board approval and as soon as practicable following any public announcement of: (1) any acquisition of a regulated or unregulated business representing 5 percent or more of the capitalization of MEHC; or (2) the change in effective control or acquisition of any material part or all of PacifiCorp by any other firm, whether by merger, combination, transfer of stock or assets.
- K. Within 30 days of receiving all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals of the final corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodology, a written document setting forth the final corporate and affiliate cost methodology will be submitted to the Commission. On an on-going basis, the Commission will also be notified of anticipated or mandated changes to the corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodologies. (Witness Specketer)
- L. Any proposed cost allocation methodology for the allocation of corporate and affiliate investments, expenses, and overheads, required by law or rule to be submitted to the Commission for approval, will comply with the following principles:

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- (a) For services rendered to PacifiCorp or each cost category subject to allocation to PacifiCorp by MEHC or any of its affiliates, MEHC must be able to demonstrate that such service or cost category is necessary to PacifiCorp for the performance of its regulated operations, is not duplicative of services already being performed within PacifiCorp, and is reasonable and prudent.
- (b) Cost allocations to PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries will be based on generally accepted accounting standards; that is, in general, direct costs will be charged to specific subsidiaries whenever possible and shared or indirect costs will be allocated based upon the primary cost-driving factors.
- (c) MEHC will have in place time reporting systems adequate to support the allocation of costs of executives and other relevant personnel to PacifiCorp.
- (d) An audit trail will be maintained such that all costs subject to allocation can be specifically identified, particularly with respect to their origin. In addition, the audit trail must be adequately supported. Failure to adequately support any allocated cost may result in denial of its recovery in rates.
- (e) Costs which would have been denied recovery in rates had they been incurred by PacifiCorp regulated operations will likewise be denied recovery whether they are allocated directly or indirectly through subsidiaries in the MEHC group.
- (f) Any corporate cost allocation methodology used for rate setting, and subsequent changes thereto, will be submitted to the Commission for approval if required by law or rule. (Witness Specketer)
- M. In the event PUHCA is repealed, MEHC/PacifiCorp will, within 60 days of repeal, commence discussions with the Commission regarding any impact of repeal on state regulation.

Financial Integrity

- A. PacifiCorp will maintain separate debt and, if outstanding, preferred stock ratings. PacifiCorp will maintain its own corporate credit rating, as well as ratings for each long-term debt and preferred stock (if any) issuance. (Witness Goodman)
- B. MEHC and PacifiCorp will exclude all costs of the transaction from PacifiCorp's utility accounts. Within 90 days following completion of the transaction, MEHC will provide a preliminary accounting of these costs. Further, MEHC will provide the Commission with a final accounting of these costs within 30 days of the accounting close. (Witness Goodman)
- C. The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp's regulated retail rates; provided,

however, that if the Commission in a rate order issued subsequent to the closing of the transaction reduces PacifiCorp's retail revenue requirement through the imputation of benefits (other than those benefits committed to in this transaction) accruing from the acquisition company (PPW Holdings LLC), <u>Berkshire Hathaway</u>, or MEHC, MEHC and PacifiCorp will have the right to propose upon rehearing and in subsequent cases a symmetrical adjustment to recognize the acquisition premium in retail revenue requirement. (Witness Goodman)

- D. MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide the Commission with unrestricted access to all written information provided to credit rating agencies that pertains to PacifiCorp. (Witness Goodman)
- E. PacifiCorp will not make any distribution to PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity capital below 40 percent of its total capital without Commission approval. PacifiCorp's total capital is defined as common equity, preferred equity and long-term debt. Long-term debt is defined as debt with a term of one year or more. The Commission and PacifiCorp may reexamine this minimum common equity percentage as financial conditions or accounting standards change, and may request that it be adjusted. (Witness Goodman)
- F. The capital requirements of PacifiCorp, as determined to be necessary to meet its obligation to serve the public, will be given a high priority by the Board of Directors of MEHC and PacifiCorp. (Witness Goodman)
- G. PacifiCorp will not, without the approval of the Commission, assume any obligation or liability as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise for MEHC or its affiliates, provided that this condition will not prevent PacifiCorp from assuming any obligation or liability on behalf of a subsidiary of PacifiCorp. MEHC will not pledge any of the assets of the regulated business of PacifiCorp as backing for any securities which MEHC or its affiliates (but excluding PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries) may issue. (Witness Goodman)

Revenue Requirement Impacts

- A. MEHC and PacifiCorp, in future Commission proceedings, will not seek a higher cost of capital than that which PacifiCorp would have sought if the transaction had not occurred. Specifically, no capital financing costs should increase by virtue of the fact that PacifiCorp was acquired by MEHC.
- B. MEHC and PacifiCorp guarantee that the customers of PacifiCorp will be held harmless if the transaction between MEHC and PacifiCorp results in a higher revenue requirement for PacifiCorp than if the transaction had not occurred. However, this hold harmless provision shall not apply to incremental costs associated with cost-effective investments in renewable and thermal generation, energy efficiency programs, demand-side management programs, environmental measures, and transmission and distribution facilities approved by the Commission.

Environment

- A. PacifiCorp will continue its Blue Sky tariff offering in all states.
- B. PacifiCorp will continue its commitment to gather outside input on environmental matters, such as through the Environmental Forum.
- C. PacifiCorp will continue to have environmental management systems in place that are self-certified to ISO 14001 standards at all PacifiCorp operated thermal generation plants.

Communities

- A. MEHC will maintain the existing level of PacifiCorp's community-related contributions, both in terms of monetary and in-kind contributions.
- B. MEHC will continue to consult with regional advisory boards to ensure local perspectives are heard regarding community issues.

Employees

- A. MEHC will honor existing labor contracts with all levels of staff.
- B. MEHC and PacifiCorp will make no changes to employee benefit plans for at least two (2) years following the effective date of the Stock Purchase Agreement.

Planning

- A. PacifiCorp will continue to produce Resource Plans every two years, according to the then current schedule and the then current Commission rules.
- B. When acquiring new generation resources in excess of 100 MW, PacifiCorp and MEHC will issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs) <u>orand</u> otherwise comply with state laws, regulations and orders that pertain to procurement of new generation resources.

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1		remaining subsidiaries of PHI, including PPM Energy, Inc., will remain with
2		ScottishPower.
3	<u>MEH</u>	<u>CMECH</u> Corporate Structure
4	Q.	Please discuss MEHC's corporate structure and PacifiCorp's place in that
5		structure.
6	A.	Upon completion of the transaction, PacifiCorp will be an indirect wholly-owned
7		subsidiary of MEHC as illustrated in the simplified MEHC organizational chart
8		provided with my testimony as Exhibit No(PJG-3). This structure will help
9		facilitate the implementation of the "ring-fencing" concept that is addressed later
10		in my testimony.
11	<u>MEH</u>	C Capital MEHC Captial Structure
12	Q.	Please describe MEHC's capital structure.
13	A.	Table 1 below illustrates the pre-transaction capitalizations of MEHC and
14		PacifiCorp, followed by the pro forma, combined capitalization of MEHC after
15		the proposed transaction occurs. At this point I would direct your attention to the
16		MEHC capitalization prior to the acquisition. It can be seen that MEHC's
17		stockholder's equity is composed of five items:
18		• zero coupon convertible preferred stock,
19		• common stock,
20		• additional paid-in capital,
21		• retained earnings, and

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• accumulated other comprehensive loss, net.

Table 1 MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company Unaudited Pro forma Consolidated Long-Term Capitalization As of March 31, 2005 (In millions)

Pro Forma Adjustments MEHC Pro Forma MEHC **PacifiCorp** Long-term Debt: 19.7% Parent company senior debt 2,773.1 19.9% 1,709.8 (1) \$ 4,482.9 7.0% 1,586.4 1,586.4 11.4% Parent company subordinated debt(2) 9,987.8 43.9% Subsidiary and project debt 6,358.8 45.8% 3,629.0 1,709.8 16,057.1 77.1% 3,629.0 70.6% 10,718.3 Total long-term debt 0.6% 52.5 41.3 (3) 183.1 0.8% Preferred securities of subsidiaries 293 Stockholders' equity: Zero coupon convertible preferred stock, no par value Preferred stock, \$100 stated value (41.3) (3) 41.3 Common stock, no par value 1,950.7 2,894.1 (2,894.1) (4) 5,370.4 Additional paid-in capital 3,419.7 (1) 1,309.3 446.4 (446.4) (4) 1,309.3 Retained earnings 4.7 (4) (4.7)(166.3)Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net (166.3)42.6 6,513.4 28.6% Total stockholders' equity 3,093.7 22.3% 3.377.1 \$ 22,753.6 100.0% \$ 7,058.6 1.793.7 100 0% Total long-term capitalization \$ 13,901.3

For the purposes of the pro forma long-term capitalization table, it has been assumed that the acquisition was completed on March 31, 2005. Consequently, the total long-term capitalization of PacifiCorp does not reflect the following:

- the additional equity investment by ScottishPower in PacifiCorp of \$500.0 million during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006;
- expected dividends, totaling \$214.8 million, to be paid to ScottishPower by PacifiCorp for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006; and
- expected earnings, debt issuances and debt retirements of PacifiCorp for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006; and
- expected earnings, debt issuance and debt retirement of MEHC and its current subsidiaries for the period ending March 31, 2006.

Certain reclassifications have been made to PacifiCorp's historical presentation in order to conform to MEHC's historical presentation.

[1] Pursuant to terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement, MEHC will pay ScottishPower \$5.1 billion in cash in exchange for 100% of PacifiCorp's common stock. The total estimated purchase price of the acquisition is as follows (in millions):

Common stock or Zzero coupon convertible non-voting preferred stock of MEHC	\$	3,419.7
Long-term senior unsecured debt of MEHC		1.709.8
Total estimated purchase price		5,129.5
[2] Parent company subordinated debt consists of the following at March 31, 2005:		
Berkshire trust preferred securities		1,289.2
Other trust preferred securities		297.2
Total parent company subordinated debt		1,586.4

(3) Pursuant to the terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement, PacifiCorp's preferred stock which is classified in PacifiCorp's March 31, 2005 balance sheet as part of stockholder's equity will remain outstanding. For purposes of the pro forma capitalization table the preferred stock, totaling \$41.3 million, was reclassified to preferred securities of subsidiaries.

(4) Represents the proforma adjustments to eliminate the historical stockholders' equity of PacifiCorp.

		Table 2 gs – July 2005	
	Standard & Poor's	Moody's Investor Service	FitchRatings
Berkshire Hathaway	AAA	Aaa	AAA
MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company	BBB-	Baa3	BBB
MidAmerican Energy Company	A-	A3	A-
Northern Natural Gas Company	A-	A3	A-
Kern River Gas Transmission Co.	A-	A3	A-
Northern Electric Distribution Ltd	BBB+	A3	A-
Yorkshire Electricity Distribution plc	BBB+	A3	A-

1 Financing and Mechanics of the Transaction

- 2 Q. Please describe the steps that will be taken to effectuate the transaction.
- 3 A. A limited liability company ("LLC"), PPW Holdings LLC, has been established
- as a direct subsidiary of MEHC. This LLC will receive, as an equity infusion,
- 5 | \$5.1 billion raised by MEHC through the sale of either common stock or zero
- 6 coupon convertible preferred stock to Berkshire Hathaway and the issuance of
- 7 long-term senior notes, preferred stock, or other securities with equity
- 8 characteristics to third parties. However, the LLC will have no debt of its own.
- 9 The LLC will, as provided in the Stock Purchase Agreement, pay PHI \$5.1 billion
- in cash, at closing, in exchange for 100 percent of the common stock of
- PacifiCorp. In addition, it is projected that approximately \$4.3 billion in net debt
- and preferred stock of PacifiCorp will remain outstanding as obligations of
- PacifiCorp.

1		Prior to the expected closing date of March 31, 2006, ScottishPower has
2		agreed to make \$500 million in additional capital contributions to PacifiCorp, and
3		PacifiCorp is expected to pay \$214.8 million of dividends to ScottishPower.
4		Provision for additional capital contributions have been made in the Stock
5		Purchase Agreement if the acquisition has not closed by that date.
6	Q.	Please describe how the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MEHC will be financed.
7	A.	As described above, MEHC expects to fund the transaction with the proceeds
8		from an investment by Berkshire Hathaway of approximately \$3.4 billion in either
9		common stock or zero coupon non-voting convertible preferred stock of MEHC
10		and the issuance by MEHC to third parties of approximately \$1.7 billion of long-
11		term senior notes, preferred stock, or other securities with equity characteristics.
12		However, the transaction is not conditioned on such financing and if funds were
13		not available from third parties, Berkshire Hathaway is expected to provide any
14		required funding. The pro forma capital structure of MEHC after the acquisition
15		is shown in Table 1 above, assuming \$1.7 billion of long-term debt is issued by
16		MEHC. The pro forma schedule is unaffected if, ultimately, either common stock
17		or zero coupon convertible preferred stock is issued. The timing and composition
18		of these financings are flexible and subject to modification as market conditions
19		change. It is not anticipated that there would be any restrictive covenants
20		associated with the proposed financing different from those typical of an
21		investment grade financing.
22	Q.	Are you aware of any benefits to PacifiCorp due to MEHC's relationship
23		with Berkshire Hathaway?

		the accounting close.
C	Premium Paid	The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp's regulated retail rates; provided, however, that if the Commission in a rate order issued subsequent to the closing of the transaction reduces PacifiCorp's retail revenue requirement through the imputation of benefits (other than those benefits committed to in this transaction) accruing from the acquisition company (PPW Holdings LLC), Berkshire Hathaway, or MEHC, MEHC and PacifiCorp will have the right to propose upon rehearing and in subsequent cases a symmetrical adjustment to recognize the acquisition premium in retail revenue requirement.
D	Rating Agency Presentations	MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide the Commission with unrestricted access to all written information provided to credit rating agencies that pertains to PacifiCorp.
E	Minimum Common Equity Ratio	PacifiCorp will not make any distribution to PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity capital below 40 percent of its total capital without Commission approval. PacifiCorp's total capital is defined as common equity, preferred equity and long-term debt. Long-term debt is defined as debt with a term of one year or more. The Commission and PacifiCorp may reexamine this minimum common equity percentage as financial conditions or accounting standards change, and may request that it be adjusted.
F	Capital Requirements to Meet Obligation to Serve	The capital requirements of PacifiCorp, as determined to be necessary to meet its obligation to serve the public, will be given a high priority by the Board of Directors of MEHC and PacifiCorp.
G	Assuming Liabilities/Pledging Assets	PacifiCorp will not, without the approval of the Commission, assume any obligation or liability as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise for MEHC or its affiliates, provided that this condition will not prevent PacifiCorp from assuming any obligation or liability on

3	Q.	Please describe the rights Berkshire Hathaway will have upon conversion of
2		all or substantially all of MEHC's assets.
1		recapitalization, winding-up or termination or a merger, consolidation or sale of

- 4 | the zero coupon convertible preferred stock of MEHC..?
- Upon conversion Berkshire Hathaway would have the rights of a common stockholder and the ability to elect nine of the ten members of MEHC's board of directors. The additional \$3.4 billion of common shares associated with the PacifiCorp transaction (or zero coupon convertible preferred stock stock, if issued and then converted) will increase Berkshire Hathaway's proportion of ownership but would otherwise not affect any of the rights Berkshire Hathaway had without the additional investment.
- Q. Why have you provided this information regarding Berkshire Hathaway's conversion rights?
 - A. If PUHCA is repealed, MEHC anticipates On or shortly after the effective date of repeal of PUHCA, Berkshire Hathaway will exercise its conversion rights. This willwould create a technical change in control of MEHC. Although the conversion will occur prior to the close of this transaction, Pursuant to the commitments in MEHC witness Mr. Gale's Exhibit No. (BEG-2), MEHC and PacifiCorp wish towould provide the Commission with this notice of the conversion which is associated with the repeal of PUHCA this change and would seek approvals where required.
 - Q. What regulatory approvals are required to allow Berkshire Hathaway to convert its convertible preferred stock investment in MEHC to common

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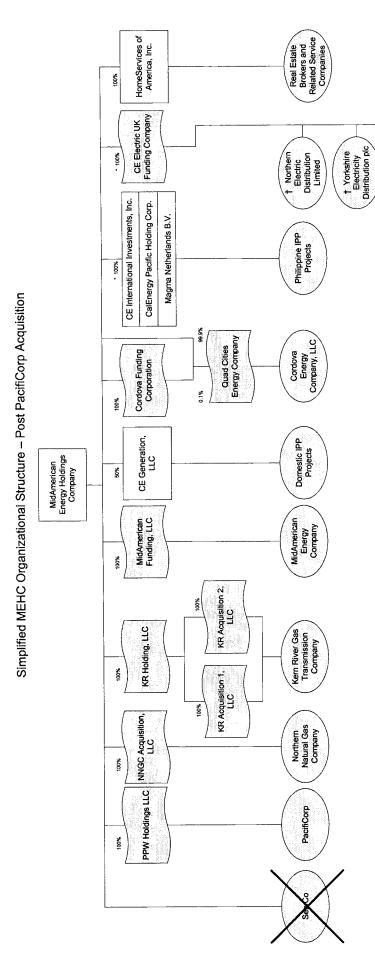
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1		Equity?
2	<u>A.</u>	Approvals are required from FERC, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the
3		Iowa Utilities Board and the Illinois Commerce Commission. A filing will also
4		be required with the U.S. Department of Justice/Federal Trade Commission
5		pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act. As of the date of this testimony, all filings
6		had been made except the Hart-Scott-Rodino. All required approvals are
7		expected before year-end 2005.
8	Q.	Will Berkshire Hathaway have any involvement in the day to day operations
9		of PacifiCorp, either before or after conversion?
10	A.	No, it will not. Prior to conversion, Mr. Scott and associated family interests had
11		the right to elect a majority of the members of the MEHC Board of Directors, and
12		Berkshire Hathaway had the right to elect 20% of the Board. Neither Mr. Scott
13		nor Berkshire Hathaway had any influence or involvement in the day-to-day
14		operations of the business units of MEHC. That is not expected to change when
15		Berkshire Hathaway is able to elect a majority of the Board. The rights that
16		Berkshire Hathaway has as a holder of the zero coupon convertible preferred
17		stock, including the fundamental transactions I discussed previously, are not
18		considered to be day to day operations.
19	<u>Q.</u>	After the conversion, will MEHC (or PacifiCorp if this proposed transaction
20		is approved) be required to borrow funds from Berkshire Hathaway?
21	<u>A.</u>	Neither MEHC nor PacitiCorp is or will be required to borrow from Berkshire
22		Hathaway. However, MEHC may choose to request debt or equity funds from
23		Berkshire Hathaway, for example, if it pursues additional acquisitions.

1		As a general rule, subsidiaries of MEHC (including PacifiCorp if this
2		proposed transaction is approved) are expected to operate autonomously from
3		MEHC and Berkshire Hathaway. This includes arranging their own financing and
4		being responsible for maintaining and/or improving their credit standing.
5	Conc	clusion
6	Q.	Does this conclude your direct testimony?
7	A.	Yes, it does.

REVISED GOODMAN EXHIBIT NO. ____ (PJG-3)

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Holding companies not included in ring fencing structure Holding companies includes independent directors) Operating companies

Gas Exploration Projects

Indirectly owned by MEHC Subject to UK regulatory ring fencing

REVISED PAGES TO SPECKETER DIRECT TESTIMONY

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- 1 Q. Please state your name, employer and business address.
- 2 A. My name is Thomas B. Specketer, MidAmerican Energy Company ("MEC"), 666
- Grand Avenue, Suite 2900, Des Moines, Iowa 50309.
- 4 Q. What is your position in the company and your previous work experience?
- 5 A. I am currently vice president U.S. regulatory accounting and MEC controller. My
- 6 primary duties include responsibility for all accounting, financial reporting,
- regulatory reporting, tax and budgeting activities for MEC, and regulatory
- accounting oversight for all domestic regulated entities in the MidAmerican
- 9 Energy Holdings Company ("MEHC") group. I have been employed by MEC, or
- one of its predecessor companies, for over 25 years. During this time, I have held
- various staff and managerial positions within the accounting, tax and finance
- organizations.
- 13 Q. What is your educational background and your involvement in professional
- 14 associations?
- 15 A. I received a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics from Morningside
- 16 College. In addition to formal education, I have also attended various
- educational, professional and electric industry related seminars during my career
- at MEC. I am a member of Edison Electric Institute's Chief Accounting Officers
- Committee and a past member of the Tax Executives Institute, Iowa Association
- of Tax Representatives and Institute of Management Accountants.
- 21 Q. Please describe the purpose of your testimony.
- 22 A. The chief purpose of my testimony is to provide an overview of the process by
- which shared services costs will be distributed to PacifiCorp and other MEHC

1	subsidiaries after completion of the proposed transaction. Therefore, my
2	testimony will address the creation of a shared services entity, allocation
3	methodologies expected to be employed, the service agreement contract that will
4	govern the shared services to be rendered, and the expected costs to PacifiCorp of
5	shared services under MEHC ownership, in contrast to those PacifiCorp
6	experienced under Scottish Power plc ("ScottishPower") ownership.
7	Additionally, I will address other accounting issues pertinent to this transaction
8	that may be of interest to the Commission and sponsor some of the commitments
9	in MEHC witness Mr. Gale's Exhibit No(BEG-2).

Accounting Changes

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- Q. Please discuss accounting changes brought about by this transaction.
- PacifiCorp will operate very much as it does today. Upon the closing of the transaction, however, it is MEHC's intent to transition PacifiCorp to a calendar year-end in contrast to its present March 31 fiscal year-end. The change in year-end will assure greater consistency in information supplied to PacifiCorp's various regulatory bodies and investors, and assure that financial information provided to MEHC is on a basis consistent with other MEHC subsidiaries.

Shared Services Costs

- Q. What cost changes will occur as a result of this transaction?
- As mentioned previously, PacifiCorp will operate very much as it does today and, accordingly, most costs incurred by PacifiCorp will not change as a result of this transaction. One exception is the cost of corporate shared services. With the change in ownership, PacifiCorp will no longer incur shared services costs from

1		ScottishPower, but will incur costs of a similar nature from eertain subsidiaries of	
2		MEHC and MEC.	
3	<u>Q.</u>	Why are these shared corporate services being provided by MEHC?	
4	<u>A.</u>	If the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 had remained in effect, shared	
5		corporate services would have been provided by a new service company. With	
6		the repeal of that law, there is no need to form a new company. The people who	
7		are MEHC employees providing shared corporate services can continue to remain	
8		holding company employees. MEHC will have the same systems in place that a	
9		service company would have had to ensure that costs are captured and properly	
10		billed and/or allocated to all entities in the MEHC group that benefit from the	
11	services provided, including MEHC, PacifiCorp and MEC.		
12	Q.	Please describe how shared costs, common to multiple subsidiaries of MEHC,	
13		will be charged to PacifiCorp.	
14	Α.	Common costs of MEHC will originate in two entities: in MEHC itself, and ina	
15		new shared services company ("ServCo") and MEC. MEC, a vertically integrated	
16	utility owned by MEHC, serves regulated and unregulated electric and gas		
17		customers primarily in Iowa, Illinois, South Dakota and Nebraska. MEC is	
18		described in more detail by MEHC witness Gale.	
19	Q.	Please describe the new shared corporate services that will originate at	
20		MEHCcompany.	
21	A.	Employees of ServCo will be created as a direct subsidiary of MEHC include.	
22		ServCo will be staffed with approximately ten (10) senior executives whoof	
23		MEHC and provide strategic management, coordination and corporate	

- governance services to all MEHC subsidiaries, including board of directors
 support, strategic planning, financial planning and analysis, insurance,
 environmental compliance, financial reporting, human resources, legal,
 accounting and other administrative services.
- **Q.** Will any PacifiCorp employees be transferred to MEHCthe ServCo?
- 6 A. No.

- 7 Q. Why is MEHC forming a ServCo?
- A. MEHC is forming a ServCo to ensure that costs are captured and properly billed and/or allocated to all entities in the MEHC group that benefit from the services provided, including MEHC, PacifiCorp and MEC.
 - O. Please describe the shared services that will be provided by MEC.
- 12 A. MEC employees will <u>also</u> coordinate certain administrative services on behalf of
 13 MEHC, including budgeting and forecasting, human resources, and tax
 14 compliance. Amounts to be charged to PacifiCorp from MEC are not expected to
 15 exceed \$4.0 million per year.
- Q. Will any other incidental services between MEC and PacifiCorp be provided?
- A. For operational reasons, such as a storm restoration, it may be necessary and
 beneficial to send crews of one utility to the other's service territory to assist in
 restoration efforts. In addition, other operational expertise may be requested from
 time to time to take advantage of specific expertise that exists at each of the
 utilities. Services such as these would also be provided at cost.

1	Q.	How will costs from these two sources (MEHCServCo and MEC) flow to
2	İ	PacifiCorp?

- A. Cost assignments to PacifiCorp will be based on generally accepted cost
 assignment practices. As described in more detail below, direct costs for the

 MEHCServCo and MEC services will be billed to the entity benefiting from the
 service provided. All other costs related to the services provided, including
 indirect costs, will be fully allocated to MEHC and all benefiting subsidiaries.
- Direct costs arise from services that are specifically attributable to a single entity.

 For example, if I'm researching an accounting issue for an affiliate, I would directly bill that entity for the time spent researching the issue. However, the cost of the reference material purchased to research accounting issues would benefit more than one entity, so the cost of the reference material would be an indirect

Could you give an example of what you mean by direct and indirect costs?

15 Q. Please describe the service agreement that will govern the shared services to 16 be provided.

cost and allocated to all entities that benefit from the materials.

17 A. The services will be governed by the existing Intercompany Administrative
18 Services Agreement ("IASA") that has been executed by MEHC and its
19 subsidiaries. The IASA is used to govern the provision of certain administrative
20 services between MEHC and affiliates. The existing IASA is attached as Exhibit
21 No.__(TBS-2). This agreement outlines the terms and conditions of the shared
22 services arrangement between MEHC and its subsidiaries, which will eventually
23 include the ServCo and PacifiCorp.

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- Q. Please describe the system of accounts that will be used to capture and bill shared costs.
- Costs and billings originating at MEHCServCo will be accounted for using 3 A. MEHC's existing a system of accounts. The MEHC system of accounts provides 4 details on the type of cost activity involved and the area responsible for incurred 5 the charge, prescribed by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") 6 in 17 CFR Ch. II. This system of accounts is aligned with the Federal Energy 7 Regulatory Commission's ("FERC") uniform system of accounts. As a regulated 8 public utility, MEC is required to use and account for costs using the FERC 9 uniform system of accounts. Therefore, the system of accounts used to capture 10 and bill shared costs by both the ServCo and MEC will be very similar. In 11 addition to the FERC primary accounts, MEC utilizesSuch accounts will have an 12 additional three-digit "sub-account" field to provide more descriptive detail of the 13 type of cost activity involved. Both MEHC and MEC utilize Also, a responsibility 14 center field in the code block towill establish budgetary control of amounts 15 charged and provide an audit trail towill be descriptive of the department 16 originally incurring the charges. Other segments of the code block to be used by 17 MECwill capture cost elements (descriptive of the nature of costs, e.g., labor, 18 payables, etc.) and project numbers. Both tThe MEHC and MEC code blocks 19 used will accommodate a high degree of flexibility and capability in tracking and 20 reporting costs. 21
 - Q. How will MEC segregate shared costs from costs it incurs on its own behalf or directly on behalf of other MEHC subsidiaries?

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A separate "business unit" will be established within MEC's accounting system A. 1 which will be structured to capture the costs of functions providing shared 2 services. Expenses originating in this "business unit" will allocate to all 3 benefiting MEHC entities, instead of merely to MEC operations, to the extent that 4 costs are not directly billed to MEC or to other MEHC subsidiaries. MEC has 5 employed this kind of accounting system in order to allocate costs for state 6 jurisdictional reporting purposes, and this methodology has been utilized in Iowa, 7 Illinois, and South Dakota for a number of years as the basis for rate filings. The 8 allocation process utilizes well-established controls, and an audit trail is 9 maintained such that all costs subject to allocation can be specifically identified 10 back to their origin. 11

Q. On what basis will shared services be charged?

- 13 A. Shared services, whether directly billed or allocated, will be charged at fully
 14 loaded actual cost. This means that only the actual cost of providing the service,
 15 with no markup for profit, will be charged. Labor, for example, will include such
 16 items as loadings for benefits, paid absences and payroll taxes attributable to such
 17 labor for actual time spent providing the service. Non-labor costs will be directly
 18 billed or allocated at actual amounts incurred by MEHCServCo and MEC.
- 19 Q. Will this result in any cross-subsidization between MEHC entities?
- 20 A. No. To the contrary, billing at cost will eliminate any potential cross-21 subsidization between entities and ensure that only actual costs are reflected in 22 rates charged to both MEC customers and PacifiCorp customers.
 - Q. Will <u>MEHCServCo</u> own assets used for shared services?

A.	Yes, it will own assets used for providing shared services, but will not own
	operating assets or investments in operating entities. Assets used for shared
	services will be billedeharged, based on utilization of the asset, at ana fixed
	amount that recovers amounts for depreciation, property taxes and cost of capital
	associated with the fixed costs of the asset.

- Q. Will MEHC each a profit on any shared services it provides ServCo be a forprofit entity?
- A. No, MEHCServCo will not have neither earn profits on such services nor losses.

 All such shared services costs incurred by MEHCServCo, net of any income earned, will be directly charged when the benefiting organization can be specifically identified, and any residual indirect amounts will be allocated each month to MEHC and all benefiting subsidiaries. Shared services costs incurred by MEC on behalf of MEHC subsidiaries will also be fully allocated, to the extent not directly charged.

O. Will any costs remain at MEHC?

- A. Yes. Costs attributable to activities not appropriately billed or allocated to MEHC subsidiaries, such as general merger and acquisition costs, and interest expense of MEHC, will be paid for and remain at MEHC. MEHC's share of indirect costs will also remain at MEHC.
- Q. Will any costs, other than the shared costs mentioned above, be charged to PacifiCorp from any other affiliates of MEHC?
- A. It is not expected that any significant administrative costs will originate from any

 MEHC affiliate other than MECthe two entities discussed above. However, when

specific expertise is needed or available from other MEHC business platforms	
	IASA provides the flexibility for any member of the MEHC group to request
	services at cost from other entities in the group. Services of this nature are
	situation-specific and not expected to be recurring.

In addition, normal course of business transactions negotiated at armslength or subject to tariff provisions, such as the existing contracts between PacifiCorp and MEHC subsidiaries to purchase gas transportation service from Kern River Gas Transmission Company and steam from Intermountain Geothermal Company for PacifiCorp's Blundell plant, may be initiated by PacifiCorp. These services would continue to be subject to the applicable state or federal regulatory approvals, including existing tariffs.

Q.— How will ServCo be capitalized?

- A. The exact form of capitalization of ServCo has yet to be determined. However, the cost of all capital will be fully allocated out of ServCo to the extent that it is not charged directly through billings for the use of ServCo assets.
- Q. What allocation methodology will be used to allocate <u>MEHCServCo</u> and MEC shared costs not directly billed to MEHC entities?
- Indirect costs of <u>MEHCServCo</u> and MEC, allocable to MEHC and all subsidiaries, will be allocated using a two-factor formula comprised of assets and payroll, each equally weighted. Within thirty (30) days of receiving all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals of the proposed transaction, a final cost allocation methodology will be submitted to the Commissions. On an ongoing basis, the Commission will be notified of anticipated or mandated changes to this

cost allocation methodology. Of course, as specified in commitment 7(f) in Table
later in my testimony, the Commission will determine the appropriate corporate
cost allocation for establishing rates.

4 Q. Why is the two-factor formula appropriate?

- 5 A. This allocation methodology is based on the formula presently approved for use
 6 by MEC and MEHC to allocate indirect common corporate costs. Further, it is
 7 consistent with the IASA that will govern these services, and it has been utilized
 8 by MEC for a number of years as the basis for rate filings in each of the states it
 9 operates. These regulators have recognized that a single allocation factor to
 10 allocate common corporate costs is not reasonable.
- 11 Q. How does the two-factor formula compare to the three-factor formula used 12 by PacifiCorp?
- 13 A. The factors produce similar results. Estimated costs allocated to PacifiCorp using
 14 the two-factor formula are not expected to be materially different than costs
 15 allocated using the three-factor formula.
- Q. Will PacifiCorp's inter-jurisdictional cost allocation methodology change as a result of the MEHC purchase transaction?
- A. No. The methodology described above will only be used to allocate shared

 services costs from MEHCServCo and MEC. PacifiCorp's current methods for

 assigning costs jurisdictionally will not change as a result of the transaction.

1	Q.	What is the expected impact on PacifiCorp costs of the shared services
2		charges from MEHCServCo and MEC?
3	A.	Shared services charges to PacifiCorp are expected to decrease from historical
4		amounts billed to PacifiCorp from ScottishPower. Exhibit No(TBS-3)
5		presents an analysis of historical shared services costs from ScottishPower and
6		expected shared services costs upon MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp. Net
7		cross-charges to be paid by PacifiCorp to ScottishPower for the fiscal year ending
8		March 31, 2006, are projected to be \$15.0 million. MEHC estimates that its
9		shared costs to PacifiCorp would have totaled \$9.6 million for the same period.
10		MEHC is making a commitment that such costs will not exceed \$9 million per
11		year for five (5) years following the close of this transaction.
12	Q.	Will PacifiCorp continue to provide services to its direct subsidiaries?
13	A.	Yes, such services will continue under existing service agreements.
14	Q.	Please summarize this portion of your testimony regarding the shared
15		services acquisition commitments that MEHC is undertaking in connection
16		with the proposed transaction.
17	A.	Shared services costs will be direct billed or allocated to PacifiCorp, MEHC and
18		other subsidiaries, primarily from MEHCServCo or MEC. To the extent costs are
19	1	not directly billed and need to be allocated, a two-factor allocator consisting of
20		assets and labor, each equally weighted, will be used to allocate the costs to each
21		entity benefiting from the type of cost incurred. The IASA will govern the shared
22		services to be provided by MECHthe ServCo or MEC. MEHC is making a
22		commitment that shared services costs from MEHCServCo and MEC will not

- exceed \$9 million per year for five (5) years following the close of the
- 2 transaction.

3 Commitments

- 4 Q. Are you providing support for some of the commitments in MEHC witness
- 5 Mr. Gale's Exhibit No.__(BEG-2)?
- 6 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following financial and structural commitments that
- MEHC is undertaking with respect to the proposed transaction.

Table 1	
Financial and Structural Commitments that MEHC is Undertaking in Connectio	n
with the Proposed Transaction	

	Regulatory Oversight	
D	Accounting Records	The Commission or its agents may audit the accounting records of MEHC and its subsidiaries that are the bases for charges to PacifiCorp, to determine the reasonableness of allocation factors used by MEHC to assign costs to PacifiCorp and amounts subject to allocation or direct charges. MEHC agrees to cooperate fully with such Commission audits.
E	Affiliate Transactions	MEHC and PacifiCorp will comply with all existing Commission statutes and regulations regarding affiliated interest transactions, including timely filing of applications and reports.
F	Affiliate Transactions	PacifiCorp will file on an annual basis an affiliated interest report including an organization chart, narrative description of each affiliate, revenue for each affiliate and transactions with each affiliate.
G	Cross-subsidization	PacifiCorp and MEHC will not cross- subsidize between the regulated and non-regulated businesses or between any regulated businesses, and shall

,		comply with the Commission's then-			
		existing practice with respect to such			
		matters.			
Н	Affiliate Transactions	Due to PUHCA repeal, neither			
••		Berkshire Hathaway nor MEHC will			
		be registered public utility holding			
		companies under PUHCA. Thus, no			
		waiver by Berkshire Hathaway or			
		MEHC of any defenses to which they			
		may be entitled under <i>Ohio Power Co.</i>			
		v. FERC, 954 F.2d 779 (D.C. Cir.),			
		cert. denied sub nom. Arcadia v. Ohio			
		Power Co., 506 U.S. 981 (1992)			
		("Ohio Power"), is necessary to			
		maintain the Commission's regulation			
		of MEHC and PacifiCorp. However,			
		while PUHCA is in effect, Berkshire			
		Hathaway and MEHC waive such			
		defenses. PacifiCorp and MEHC will			
		not assert in any future Commission			
		proceeding that the provisions of the			
		Public Utility Holding Company Act of			
		1935 or the related Ohio Power v			
		FERC case preempt the Commission's			
		jurisdiction over affiliated interest			
		transactions and will explicitly waive			
		any such defense in those proceedings.			
		In the event that PUHCA is repealed or			
		modified, PacifiCorp and MEHC agree			
		not to seek any preemption under any			
		subsequent modification or repeal of			
		PUHCA.			
		Within 30 days of receiving all			
1 <u>K</u>	Cost Allocations	necessary state and federal regulatory			
		approvals of the final corporate and			
		affiliate cost allocation methodology, a			
		written document setting forth the final			
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		corporate and affiliate cost			
		methodology will be submitted to the			
		Commission. On an on-going basis, the Commission will also be notified of			
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		anticipated or mandated changes to the			
		corporate and affiliate cost allocation			
		methodologies.			
₽ <u>T</u>	Cost Allocations	Any proposed cost allocation			
		methodology for the allocation of			

corporate and affiliate investments, expenses, and overheads required by law or rule to be submitted to the Commission for approval, will comply with the following principles: For services rendered to (a) PacifiCorp or each cost category subject to allocation to PacifiCorp by MEHC or any of its affiliates, MEHC must be able to demonstrate that such service or cost category is necessary to PacifiCorp for the performance of its regulated operations, is not duplicative of services already being performed within PacifiCorp, and is reasonable and prudent. Cost allocations to (b) PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries will be based on generally accepted accounting standards; that is, in general, direct costs will be charged to specific subsidiaries whenever possible and shared or indirect costs will be allocated based upon the primary cost-driving factors. MEHC will have in place (c) time reporting systems adequate to support the allocation of costs of executives and other relevant personnel to PacifiCorp. An audit trail will be (d) maintained such that all

costs subject to allocation

identified, particularly with

can be specifically

respect to their origin. In addition, the audit trail must be adequately supported. Failure to adequately support any allocated cost may result in denial of its recovery in rates. (e) Costs which would have been denied recovery in rates had they been incurred by PacifiCorp regulated operations will likewise be denied recovery whether they are allocated directly or indirectly through subsidiaries in the MEHC
group. (f)Any corporate cost
allocation methodology
used for rate setting, and subsequent changes thereto,
will be submitted to the
Commission for approval if required by law or rule.

Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

3 A. Yes it does.

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MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company Projected Shared Services Costs to PacifiCorp (000's)

<u>Description</u>	<u>ServCoMEHC</u>	MEC		<u>CalEnergy</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Salaries, benefits and bonuses	\$ 2,933 <u>3,057</u>	\$	1,220	\$ 123	\$	4,277
Other employee compensation	1, 893 - <u>933</u>		655	40		2,587
Outside services	453		715			1,168
Travel costs, incl. corporate aircraft	420		983			1,403
Other	51		80			131
 Total	\$ 5, 750 - <u>913</u>	\$	3,652	\$ 163	\$	9,566
Expected Net Scottish Power charge		15,000				
				Difference	\$	(5,434)