

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

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND	)	DOCKET UE-100749
TRANSPORTATION	)	
COMMISSION,	)	ORDER 02
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Complainant,	)	
	)	GRANTING MOTION FOR
v.	)	PROTECTIVE ORDER
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PACIFICORP D/B/A PACIFIC	)	
POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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**MEMORANDUM**

- 1     **BACKGROUND.** On May 4, 2010, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-74. The stated effective date is June 3, 2011. The purpose of the filing is to increase rates and charges for electric service provided to customers in the state of Washington. With this filing, the Company requests an electric rate increase of \$56.7 million, or 20.88 percent.
  
- 2     **PROTECTIVE ORDER.** On May 7, 2010, PacifiCorp filed a motion for protective order and requested expedited treatment of the motion. PacifiCorp states that portions of its prefiled direct testimony, exhibits, and workpapers in support of its proposed tariff revisions include sensitive information relating to capital structure, confidential inputs (such as contract terms and forward price curves) to the Company’s net power cost modeling and tax information. PacifiCorp asserts that this information is commercially sensitive and that public release or use of this information could harm the company and its customers. PacifiCorp requests that the Commission issue its standard protective order before the prehearing conference so that the Company may provide the confidential exhibits and workpapers to all parties and facilitate the prompt commencement of discovery.

- 3 According to RCW 80.04.095, WAC 480-07-420, and WAC 480-07-423, the Commission may issue protective orders protecting the confidentiality of information designated as proprietary. The Commission finds that the issuance of a protective order in this case will provide for the expeditious exchange of all information to the parties to this proceeding. The motion for protective order is granted and the Commission's standard protective order will be entered in this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective May 13, 2010.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

PATRICIA CLARK  
Administrative Law Judge