BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WUTC v. PacifiCorp DOCKET NO. UE-100749

Public Counsel Response to Bench Request No. 2

Bench Request No. 2: PacifiCorp's filing includes a results-of-operations statement showing test year actual results (per books). The following accounts are included in rate base. For each account, please explain if these items should be included in per books rate base and, if so, why?

- *Plant Held for Future Use.* The filing includes \$37,310 of Plant Held for Future Use in per books rate base.¹
- *Miscellaneous Deferred Debits*. The filing includes \$6,671,729 in Miscellaneous Deferred Debits in per books rate base.²
- Fuel Stock. The Company includes \$3,524,551 of Fuel Stock in per books rate base.³
- *Materials & Supplies*. The Company includes in per books rate base \$7,763,143 of Materials & Supplies.⁴
- *Weatherization*. PacifiCorp includes \$2,046,741 of Weatherization in per books rate base.⁵
- Customer Advances for Construction. The Company includes in per books rate base Customer Advances for Construction of (\$334,500).⁶

¹ Supplemental Response to Bench Request No. 1, Supplemental Workpaper entitled "Cash Working Capital," November 30, 2010, and Dalley Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 34 (revised 11/23/10).

² Supplemental Workpaper and Dalley. Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 35 (revised 11/23/10).

³ Supplemental Workpaper and Dalley, Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 39 (revised 11/23/10).

⁴ Supplemental Workpaper and Dalley, Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 40 (revised 11/23/10).

⁵ Supplemental Workpaper and Dalley, Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 42 (revised 11/23/10).

⁶ Supplemental Workpaper and Dalley, Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 51 (revised 11/23/10).

• *Miscellaneous Rate Base Deductions*. PacifiCorp includes (\$4,865,967) of Miscellaneous Rate Base Deductions in per books rate base.⁷

RESPONSE:

At this time, Public Counsel does not take a position on whether the specific items listed in Bench Request No. 2 should be included in PacifiCorp's rate base. However, we wish to reserve the right to address other parties' responses to this Bench Request at a later point should it be necessary.

⁷ Supplemental Workpaper and Dalley, Exh. No. RBD-3 at 1.0, line 53 (revised 11/23/10).