

WUTC Data Request 7

Mr. McVee mentioned at the recessed open meeting, on 3/22/2024 at 11:48:44 – 11:51:43, that the Company initially used a new allocation methodology and that it reverted back to IJAM/2020 protocol due to some concerns from other parties.

1. Does the Company intend to introduce a new allocation methodology?
2. How does the Company intend to introduce a new allocation methodology?
3. When does the Company intent to introduce a new allocation methodology?

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The Company assumes that the reference to “IJAM/2020 protocol” is intended to be a reference to the Washington Inter-Jurisdictional Cost Allocation Methodology (WIJAM) and the 2020 PacifiCorp Inter-Jurisdictional Allocation Protocol (2020 Protocol); the currently approved interjurisdictional allocation methodology that PacifiCorp uses to allocate costs among customers across the six-states served by the Company. Based on the foregoing assumption and clarification, the Company responds as follows:

PacifiCorp notes that the 2020 Protocol, with its latest extension, has a sunset date of December 31, 2025. The intention of ongoing discussions through the Multi-State Process (MSP) with signatories to the 2020 Protocol is to collectively consider interjurisdictional cost allocation methodology proposals and which may or may result in a new cost allocation methodology for Washington customers. If the Company were to introduce a new cost allocation methodology for Washington customers, it would be introduced in a future general rate case (GRC) proceeding for approval by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC). The Company also notes that WUTC staff is a signatory to the WIJAM and 2020 Protocol and has been an active participant in the discussions regarding the development of a subsequent allocation methodology.

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