Service Date: November 13, 2023

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of DOCKET UE-230482

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,

ORDER 02

2022 Power Cost Adjustment Mechanism Annual Report GRANTING CONTINUANCE; GRANTING EXEMPTION

BACKGROUND

- On June 15, 2023, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp or Company), filed a Petition to Extend the Amortization of the PCAM Surcharge (Petition). This filing was made pursuant to a previous order of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission)
- On October 11, 2023, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), entered Order 01, Granting Continuance, extending the review period for Commission staff (Staff) of the Company's filing until October 31, 2023.
- On November 2, 2023, Staff filed a Motion for Continuance Extending Review Period of Company's Filing (Motion), requesting to further extend the deadline to November 20, 2023. Staff cites outstanding Data Request (DR) responses and requires additional time to complete its review of the Company's filing. The present motion is not meant to subsume, replace, or comment on the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers' (AWEC) currently pending Petition for Adjudication, which will be heard in an upcoming Public Hearing.
- 4 Staff notes that its motion is unopposed by both PacifiCorp and AWEC.

DISCUSSION

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-385(2), we find that Staff has established good cause for the continuance requested in its Motion. This is a complex matter; thorough and complete review is essential for its completion. Preventing the Commission from receiving Staff's analysis would neither serve the public interest or the administrative needs of the

Commission. This delay is a reasonable request under the circumstances and should be granted.

- We observe that Staff did not file the Motion before the deadline at issue, as required by WAC 480-07-385(3). Notwithstanding the delay, pursuant to WAC 480-110, we find it appropriate to grant staff an exemption from this rule on our own motion because it is consistent with public interest, the purposes of the underlying regulation, and applicable statutes. If this exemption is not granted, Staff could not seek an extension of this deadline.
- 7 The Commission notes that AWEC filed a petition for adjudication in this Docket on October 10, 2023. This petition will be addressed in a subsequent order.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That:

- 8 (1) Commission Staff is granted an exemption from WAC 07-385(3)(a) for the purposes of this Motion.
- 9 (2) Commission Staff's Motion is GRANTED
- 10 (3) The deadline for Commission Staff's review of the Petition is extended to November 20, 2023.

Dated at Lacey, Washington, and effective November 13, 2023.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

KATHY HUNTER

Acting Executive Director and Secretary

NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.