BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

DOCKET UE-210829

OFFER OF PUBLIC COMMENT EXHIBIT

v.

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

Respondent.

BENCH REQUEST NO. 3

The Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) hereby offers this Public Comment Exhibit Bench Request No. 3 (BR-3) for admission into the record for this proceeding in Docket UE-210829 concerning the Biennial Update of the Clean Energy Implementation Plan (CEIP) proposed by PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp or Company). On September 6, 2024, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC or Commission) issued a Notice of Virtual Public Comment Hearing (Notice), which established the Public Comment Hearing time and date of 6 p.m. on October 10, 2024.¹ The Commission and Public Counsel are tasked with compiling remarks from customers in response to the Notice. Customers can either provided comments to Public Counsel via phone calls, emails, or letters or provide comments to the Commission through similar methods in addition to the UTC's online comment web portal.

<u>Public Comment Exhibit No. BR-3.</u> The Commission Consumer Protection and Communications Staff documented these customer comments in a database matrix. The output

¹ Commission Notice, in re Revised Clean Energy Implementation Plan Filed by PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company, Docket UE-210829 (Sept. 6, 2024).

from this database is included in .pdf format as Attachment 1 to this exhibit,² and this file provides all comments submitted to the Commission in response to the Biennial Update. Public Counsel did not receive any comments.

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The database matrix in Attachment contains all comments submitted to the Commission through their online web portal and email up to October 21, 2024. This date of was the deadline to submit comments in this Docket set by the Commission at the October 10, 2024, Public Comment Hearing.³ The Commission provided the output shown in Attachment to Public Counsel on October 23, 2024.

Although the CEIP does not propose a rate increase, the comments opposing the CEIP discuss rate impact and the prospect of rates increasing as a result of the CEIP. The commenters discussing rates do not identify any pending requests by PacifiCorp for rate adjustment, but discuss the possibility of future rate increases that may or may not arise from or reference activities discussed in the CEIP. The submitted material has been counted as follows:

| a. | Comments received by WUTC | |
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| | Opposing | 2 |
| | Supporting | 0 |
| | Undecided comments | 0 |
| b. | Comments received by Public Counsel | |
| | Opposing | 0 |
| | Supporting | 0 |
| | Undecided Comments | 0 |

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² See UTC Comment Matrix, Attachment 1 (Cmt. Matrix).

³ See Recording of Public Comment Hearing (filed October 11, 2024). At the Public Comment Hearing the Commission ruled the filing date for the Public Comment Exhibit to be October 28, 2024.

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This Public Comment Exhibit submits a total of two (2) public comments received by the UTC.

Of these two, both oppose the approval of PacifiCorp's Biennial Updated CEIP.

DATED at Seattle, Washington this 28th day of October 2024.

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