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REQUESTED BY: Jason Ball

RE: The following data requests relate to the Idaho Power Asset Exchange as discussed by Company witness Richard A. Vail.

With reference to the direct testimony of Richard A. Vail, Exhibit No. RAV-1T, page 8, lines 18-19, did the Idaho Power Asset Exchange increase the transmission capacity between Jim Bridger and the rest of Pacific Power's Western Control Area? Did the asset exchange change the transmission capacity between Pacific Power's Western and Eastern Control Areas? If the answer to either question is yes, please provide the change in capacity and provide a detailed explanation of how the change in capacity affects the Company's operation of its Western Control Area.

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The capacity between Jim Bridger and PACW did not change. Before the exchange, PacifiCorp had 1600 megawatts of rights, and after the exchange, PacifiCorp continues to have 1600 MW of rights. Included in the agreement and as part of the total capacity is an increase of dynamic transfer capacity for PacifiCorp from 200 megawatts to 400 megawatts.

As part of the exchange, PacifiCorp's capacity ownership in the west-to-east direction (PACW-PACE) was reduced on the Summer Lake to Hemingway to Midpoint transmission line. However, the sale of this capacity has had no impact on PacifiCorp's operation of PACW because PacifiCorp did not and does not use capacity in the PACW-to-PACE direction due to a lack of capacity ownership or transmission service on the Idaho Power system east of Midpoint.

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