

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT
COMPANY,

Respondent.

DOCKET UE-191024

NOTICE OF PREHEARING
CONFERENCE
**(Set for January 31, 2020,
at 9:30 a.m.)**

- 1 On December 13, 2019, Pacific Power & Light Company (Pacific Power or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revisions to its currently effective tariff, WN U-75 for Electric Service, designed to effect a general rate increase for electric service.
- 2 Pacific Power proposes an increase in revenues of \$3.1 million from its Washington operations, offset by amortization of remaining deferred tax benefits associated with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of approximately \$7.1 million, resulting in an overall rate reduction of \$4 million, or approximately 1.1 percent.
- 3 The Commission suspended operation of the tariff revisions by Order 01, entered on January 9, 2020.
- 4 On January 13, 2020, the Commission entered Order 02, Protective Order, in this docket.
- 5 **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under Title 80 RCW, and has legal authority to regulate the rates, services, and practices of electric utilities. The statutes that apply to this matter include Chapters 80.01 RCW, 80.04 RCW, and 80.28 RCW relating to rates, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04.020, RCW 80.28.020, RCW 80.28.030, RCW 80.28.070, RCW 80.28.090, and RCW 80.28.100. The rules that apply to this matter include those within Chapters 480-80 WAC, and 480-100 WAC.
- 6 The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), particularly Part IV of Chapter 34.05 RCW relating to adjudications. The provisions of

the APA that relate to this proceeding include, but are not limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW 34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in Chapter 480-07 WAC in this proceeding.

7 The Commission finds there is good cause to hear this matter on shortened notice. *See* WAC 480-07-440(1)(a) and RCW 34.05.434.

8 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a prehearing conference in this matter at 9:30 a.m., on January 31, 2020, in the Commission's Richard Hemstad Hearing Room, 621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, Washington.**

9 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention, resolve scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence, to identify the issues in the proceeding, and determine other matters to assist the Commission in resolving the matter, as listed in WAC 480-07-430.

10 **INTERVENTION:** Persons who wish to intervene should file a petition to intervene in writing at least three business days before the date of the prehearing conference. *See* WAC 480-07-355(a). The Commission will consider oral petitions to intervene during the conference, but strongly prefers written petitions to intervene. Party representatives must file a notice of appearance with the Commission no later than the business day before the conference. *See* WAC 480-07-345(2). Any party or witness in need of an interpreter or other assistance should fill out the form attached to this Notice and return it to the Commission. The Commission will set the time and place for any evidentiary hearings at the prehearing conference, on the record of a later conference or hearing session, or by later written notice.

11 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That any party who fails to attend or participate in the prehearing conference set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**

12 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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13 The Commissioners of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and Administrative Law Judge Andrew J. O'Connell, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.¹

14 The Attorney General has designated Nina Suetake, Lisa W. Gafken, and Ann Paisner from the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) to represent the public. You may use the Commission's address, shown below,

¹ Judge O'Connell may be reached by email at andrew.j.oconnell@utc.wa.gov or by phone at (360) 664-1285

for contacting Public Counsel, or you may contact Public Counsel directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below.

- 15 The Commission will give parties notice of any other procedural phase of the proceeding in writing or on the record, as appropriate during this proceeding.

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective January 15, 2020.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Executive Director and Secretary

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If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Mark L. Johnson, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

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