

BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) DOCKET NO. UE-132182
PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER)
)
PacifiCorp's Report on Permanent) PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
Disconnection and Removal of) COLUMBIA RURAL ELECTRIC
Facilities) ASSOCIATION
_____)

1 Pursuant to WAC § 480-07-355, Columbia Rural Electric Association (“Columbia REA”) hereby petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“WUTC” or “Commission”) for leave to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding as an intervenor with full party status as described in WAC § 480-07-340. The business address of Columbia REA is:

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2 The administrative rules at issue in this petition are WAC § 480-07-340, -355. A
petitioner must state their “interest in the proceeding.”^{1/} The Commission will grant a
petitioner’s intervention when “the would-be intervenor’s participation will contribute to the
Commission’s ability to make a decision in the public interest.”^{2/}

3 Columbia REA is a non-profit electric cooperative with more than 4,500 member
accounts and nearly 1,200 miles of electric line throughout Walla Walla, Umatilla and Columbia
counties. Columbia REA and Pacific Power & Light Company (“PacifiCorp” or the
“Company”) operate in similar geographic areas and do not have an exclusive service territory
agreement.

4 On November 27, 2013, PacifiCorp filed its Report on Permanent Disconnection
and Removal of Facilities, as required by Order No. 04 in WUTC Docket No. UE-130043. In
that proceeding, PacifiCorp withdrew its proposed changes to its tariff revisions after Columbia
REA and other parties objected to the Company’s use of the net removal tariff. The purpose of
the report filed in this docket is to provide data showing the actual costs of removal, as well as to
address each of Columbia REA’s points of concern in Docket UE-130043.^{3/} The same rationale
for granting Columbia REA’s intervention in Docket No. UE-130043 applies here. Accordingly,
Columbia REA requests leave to intervene in this proceeding in order to represent its interests
that are directly affected by PacifiCorp’s proposed tariff changes.

5 As described above, Columbia REA has a direct and substantial interest in this
proceeding that will not be adequately represented by any other party, and may be affected by

^{1/} WAC § 480-07-355(c)(ii).

^{2/} WUTC v. PacifiCorp, Docket No. UE-001734, Second Suppl. Order ¶ 31 (July 9, 2001).

^{3/} WUTC v. PacifiCorp, Docket No. UE-130043, Order No. 04 ¶ 15 (July 29, 2013)

any Commission determination made in connection with it. Columbia REA was an intervenor in Docket No. UE-130043, out of which this current proceeding arose. It is likewise in the public interest to allow Columbia REA to intervene in this proceeding. Columbia REA therefore requests that the Commission grant its Petition to Intervene and make Columbia REA a party to this proceeding.

6 Columbia REA's legal counsel has extensive experience in proceedings before the Commission involving PacifiCorp's rates. Columbia REA's intervention in this proceeding will assist the Commission in resolving the issues and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay this proceeding

7 WHEREFORE, Columbia REA respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in this proceeding.

Dated in Portland, Oregon, this 13th day of January, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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