

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKET UE-130043
TRANSPORTATION)	
COMMISSION,)	
)	ORDER 01
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	COMPLAINT AND ORDER
)	SUSPENDING TARIFF REVISIONS
PACIFICORP D/B/A PACIFIC)	
POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,)	
)	
Respondent.)	
.....)	

BACKGROUND

- 1 On January 11, 2013, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-75, as listed in the appendix attached to this Order. The stated effective date is February 10, 2013. The purpose of the filing is to increase rates and charges for electric service provided to customers in the state of Washington. With this filing, the Company requests an electric rate increase of \$42.8 million, or 14.1 percent.

- 2 The Commission finds that the filing would increase charges and rates for service provided by PacifiCorp. Because these increases might injuriously affect the rights and interests of the public and PacifiCorp has not demonstrated that the increases result in rates that are fair, just and reasonable, the Commission suspends the tariff filing and will hold public hearings as necessary to determine whether the proposed increases are fair, just and reasonable. The Commission, in addition, may consider such other and further matters as are raised concerning PacifiCorp’s tariffs and services in the state of Washington.

3 This proceeding meets the criteria in WAC 480-07-400(2)(b), and discovery will be
conducted pursuant to the Commission's discovery rules in WAC 480-07-400 – 425.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 4 (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the
State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate rates,
regulations, practices, accounts, securities, and transfers of public service
companies, including electric companies. RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04, RCW
80.28, RCW 80.08 and RCW 80.12.
- 5 (2) PacifiCorp is an electric company and a public service company subject to the
Commission jurisdiction.
- 6 (3) The tariff revisions PacifiCorp filed on January 11, 2013, would increase
charges and rates for service provided by PacifiCorp, and might injuriously
affect the rights and interests of the public.
- 7 (4) PacifiCorp has not yet demonstrated that the tariff revisions would result in rates
that are fair, just, reasonable and sufficient.
- 8 (5) In order to carry out the duties imposed upon the Commission by law, and as
authorized in RCW 80.04.130, the Commission believes it is necessary to
investigate PacifiCorp's books, accounts, practices and activities; to make a
valuation or appraisal of PacifiCorp's property; and to investigate and appraise
various phases of PacifiCorp's tariffs and operations.
- 9 (6) As required by RCW 80.04.130 (4), PacifiCorp bears the burden of proof to
show that the proposed increases are fair, just, reasonable and sufficient.
- 10 (7) PacifiCorp may be required to pay the expenses reasonably attributable and
allocable to such an investigation, consistent with RCW 80.20.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 11 (1) The tariff revisions PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company filed on
January 11, 2013, are suspended.
- 12 (2) Discovery in this proceeding will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's
discovery rules in WAC 480-07-400 – 425.
- 13 (3) The Commission will hold hearings at such times and places as may be required.
- 14 (4) PacifiCorp must not change or alter the tariffs filed in this docket during the
suspension period, unless authorized to do so in this docket by the Commission
by order or by letter from the Executive Secretary of the Commission.
- 15 (5) The Commission will institute an investigation of PacifiCorp's books, accounts,
practices, activities, property, tariffs and operations, as described above.
- 16 (6) PacifiCorp shall pay the expenses reasonably attributable and allocable to the
Commission's investigation, consistent with RCW 80.20.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective January 25, 2013.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

JEFFREY D. GOLTZ, Chairman

PHILIP B. JONES, Commissioner

Appendix

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1 st Revised	Sheet No. 15.1	Schedule 15 – Outdoor Area Lighting Service – No New Service
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1 st Revised	Sheet No. 33.1	Schedule 33 – Partial Requirements Service – Less than 1,000 kW
2nd Revised	Sheet No. 36.1	Schedule 36 – Large General Service – Less than 1,000 kW
2nd Revised	Sheet No. 36.2	Schedule 36 – Large General Service – Less than 1,000 kW
2nd Revised	Sheet No. 40.1	Schedule 40 – Agricultural Pumping Service
1 st Revised	Sheet No. 47T.1	Schedule 47T – Large General Service – Partial Requirements Service Metered Time of Use 1,000 kW and Over
2nd Revised	Sheet No. 48T.1	Schedule 48T – Large General Service – Metered Time of Use 1,000 kW and Over
1st Revised	Sheet No. 51.1	Schedule 51 – Street Lighting Service – Company – Owned System
1st Revised	Sheet No. 52.1	Schedule 52 – Street Lighting Service – Company–Owned System No New Service
1st Revised	Sheet No. 53.1	Schedule 53 – Street Lighting Service – Customer–Owned System
1st Revised	Sheet No. 54.1	Schedule 54 – Recreational Field Lighting - Restricted
1st Revised	Sheet No. 57.1	Schedule 57 – Mercury Vapor Street Lighting Service – No New Service
1st Revised	Sheet No. 57.2	Schedule 57 – Mercury Vapor Street Lighting Service – No New Service
Original	Sheet No. 94.1	Schedule 94 – Power Cost Adjustment Mechanism
Original	Sheet No. 94.2	Schedule 94 – Power Cost Adjustment Mechanism
2nd Revised	Sheet No. 300.1	Schedule 300 – Charges as Defined by the Rules and Regulations

2nd Revised	Sheet No. 300.2	Schedule 300 – Charges as Defined by the Rules and Regulations
3rd Revised	Sheet No. Index.3	Tariff Index
2nd Revised	Sheet No. R6.2	Rule 6 – General Rules and Regulations – Facilities on Customer’s Premises
1st Revised	Sheet No. R6.3	Rule 6 – General Rules and Regulations – Facilities on Customer’s Premises