## **BEFORE THE WASHINGTON**

## UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Complainant,

## DOCKET UE-230172

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE NW ENERGY COALITION

v.

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

Respondent.

Pursuant to Washington Administrative Code ("WAC") § 480-07-355, the NW Energy

Coalition ("NWEC") petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (the

"Commission") to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding with full party status as described

in WAC § 480-07-340. The administrative rules at issue are WAC §§ 480-07-340 and 480-07-

355. As required in WAC § 480-07-355, NWEC states as follows:

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NWEC will be represented in this proceeding by Sanger Law P.C. All documents relating to these proceedings should be served on the following persons at the addresses listed

below:

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4. If permitted by the presiding officer, NWEC also requests that electronic service be

provided to the following:

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NWEC is a non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue

Code. NWEC's primary purpose is to promote an energy future that is clean, reliable,

affordable, and equitable. NWEC provides technical and policy leadership on energy issues in

this region, and seeks to promote the development of renewable energy, energy conservation,

and affordable energy services. Due to its historic and ongoing work with utility companies and

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others to achieve these goals, NWEC possesses a substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding.

NWEC has a special interest in this proceeding for the following reasons, including but not limited to: 1) members of NWEC have a direct and substantial interest in PacifiCorp's request for a rate change, including but not limited to the proposed increase in the basic charge for certain customers; 2) the proposed rate change and plan could impact PacifiCorp's performance related to implementation of Washington climate and clean energy policies; 3) the proposal could impact PacifiCorp's performance metrics and other Senate Bill 5295 implementation issues; and 4) the proposed rate change and plan could impact issues related to customer-side resources, distribution system investment, energy efficiency assistance and other affordability issues for low and moderate income customers. NWEC is specifically concerned with PacifiCorp's proposals to eliminate its decoupling mechanism, to switch from net metering to net billing, and to eliminate the inclining tier block structure and replace it with seasonal energy charges.

In each of these areas NWEC intends to focus its participation on examining whether PacifiCorp's filing is fair, just, reasonable and sufficient, and has not yet taken positions with respect to the matters in controversy. NWEC intends to examine these and other issues in this proceeding.

8. NWEC offers this process considerable expertise in the areas of resource planning, industry structure, and economic and policy analysis. NWEC has participated in numerous rate cases, mergers, resource planning, and other similar proceedings in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Montana.

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- 9. The NWEC has no intention of unreasonably broadening the issues, burdening the record, or delaying the proceeding through their intervention.
- *10.* It is in the public interest to allow NWEC to intervene in this proceeding.
- *11.* For the foregoing reasons, NWEC respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to

intervene in this proceeding.

Dated this 12th day of May 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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