# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND	)	DOCKET UE-140762
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	)	
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Complainant,	)	
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V.	)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
	)	CONFERENCE
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT	)	(Set for May 30, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.)
COMPANY,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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- Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) on May 1, 2014, revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-75, designed to effect a general rate increase for electric service. PacifiCorp requests an increase in annual revenues from Washington operations of \$27.2 million, resulting in a proposed increase in rates of 8.5 percent. In addition, PacifiCorp seeks amortization over one year of \$4.9 million, or 1.5 percent, related to deferrals for an outage at Unit 4 of the Colstrip generating plant, low hydro conditions, and depreciation. PacifiCorp requested the early entry of a complaint and order suspending the proposed tariffs and waived any objection to the process by which the suspension order might be entered. The Commission suspended operation of the tariffs on May 14, 2014, by Order 01 entered in this docket.
- STATUTORY AUTHORITY: The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under RCW Title 80, and has legal authority to regulate the rates, services, and practices of electric utilities. The statutes that apply to this matter include RCW 80.01, RCW 80.04, and RCW 80.28, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04.020, 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 WAC 480-100, relating to electric companies.

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- The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), particularly Part IV of RCW 34.05 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 34.05.434, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW 34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in WAC 480-07 in this proceeding.
- 4 The Commission finds there is good cause to hear this matter on shortened notice. See WAC 480-07-440(1)(a).
- 5 THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a prehearing conference in this matter at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, May 30, 2014, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.
- <sup>6</sup> The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention, resolve scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence and workpapers, 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. **Parties are encouraged to consult informally prior to the prehearing conference to develop a proposed schedule for the Commission's consideration.**
- 7 **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). If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, they 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.
- 8 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.

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

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- 10 The Commissioners of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and Administrative Law Judge Dennis J. Moss, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.
- 11 The Attorney General has designated Simon J. ffitch and Lisa W. Gafken of the Office of the Public Counsel to represent the public. You may use the Commission's address, shown below, for contacting Public Counsel, or you may contact Public Counsel directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below.
- 12 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 Olympia, Washington, and effective May 16, 2014.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING Executive Director and Secretary

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Inquiries may be addressed to:

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### **NOTICE**

Hearing facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Smoking is prohibited. If limited English-speaking, hearing-impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

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: Steven V. King, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

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