

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PACIFICORP D/B/A PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-230172

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WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT**

EXHIBIT ACC-4

PacifiCorp Response to Public Counsel Data Request 146

September 14, 2023

PC Data Request 146

Re: Plant Prudence Review – Test Year Roll Forward. Direct Testimony of Sherona L. Cheung, Exh. SLC-1T.

Regarding the portfolio capital review process discussed in Sherona Cheung’s testimony, if the actual investment is greater than the investment authorized in this case, would the Company seek an upward rate adjustment—or would rates be capped based on the investment authorized in this case?

Response to PC Data Request 146

The Policy Statement on Property That Becomes Used and Useful After Rate Effective Date (Docket U-190531), at paragraph 45 states, “...the Commission will not allow companies to assess surcharges for amounts claimed to be under-recovered during the rate-effective period. If identified investment costs exceed what the regulated company is collecting from customers based on its proposed, estimated, or projected costs, the Company may file an accounting petition”. Accordingly, the Company’s proposed portfolio capital review process would not result directly in the Company seeking an upward rate adjustment. If any investment costs identified were to exceed amounts projected to be in rates, the Company may file an accounting petition to track the amount for possible future recovery determination.

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