

July 20, 2020

***VIA ELECTRONIC FILING***

Mark L. Johnson  
Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
621 Woodland Square Loop SE  
Lacey, Washington 98503-1036

**RE: Docket UE-20\_\_\_\_\_—Affiliated Interest Filing—PacifiCorp and BNSF Railway Company**

Under the provisions of RCW 80.16.020 and in accordance with WAC 480-100-245, PacifiCorp dba Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp), provides notice of an affiliated interest transaction with BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) for a License for Electric Supply Line Across or Along Railway Property (permit #20-65368) (License) allowing PacifiCorp to construct an electric supply line across and/or along BNSF rail corridor (“property”) at or near the station of Klamath Falls, County of Klamath in the State of Oregon. A verified copy of the proposed License, is included with this Notice as Attachment A.

PacifiCorp is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company (BHE). BHE is a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. BNSF is also a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. RCW 80.16.010 includes in its definition of “affiliated interest,” “every corporation five percent or more of whose voting securities are owned by any person or corporation owning five percent or more of the voting securities of such public service company or by any person or corporation in any such chain of successive ownership of five percent or more of voting securities.” Therefore, Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.’s ownership interest in BHE and BNSF creates an affiliated interest relationship between the company and BNSF.

BNSF uses standardized pricing for these types of permits. PacifiCorp will pay a total of \$5,006 for the permit, which includes application fees, permit fee, and insurance. Obtaining the Permit is in the public interest because it allows PacifiCorp to install a new line facilities at or near the Klamath Falls station. This work is necessary to prevent a circuit overload, which would result in loss of power to PacifiCorp’s customers in the Klamath County area for an unacceptable length of time. Without the License, PacifiCorp cannot meet its obligation to provide safe and reliable electric service. As the property owner, BNSF is the only entity that can provide the License to PacifiCorp.

Also included with this filing is a verification from Scott Mease, Property Agent, regarding the License.

It is respectfully requested that all formal correspondence and Staff requests regarding this material be addressed to:

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Please contact Ariel Son at (503) 813-5410 if you have any informal questions.

Sincerely,

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