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**RE: Docket UE-21 \_\_\_\_\_—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 #20-66957) (License) allowing PacifiCorp to construct and maintain an electric supply line containing a maximum of three conductors, together with its supporting or containing structures across or along BNSF’s rail corridor at or near the station of Bend, County of Deschutes, State of Oregon, Line Segment 0054, Mile Post 2.25. The term for the License is 25 years. A verified copy of the proposed License, is included with this Notice as Attachment A. Also included with this filing is a verification from Scott Mease, Property Agent, regarding the License.

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, the ownership interest of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., in BHE and in BNSF creates an affiliated interest relationship between PacifiCorp and BNSF.

BNSF uses standardized pricing for these types of permits. PacifiCorp will pay \$7,831 for the 25-year License, which includes the application fee, annual permit fee, and insurance. PacifiCorp’s annual permit fee is \$6,525 with an annual increase of three percent. Obtaining the License is in the public interest because it allows PacifiCorp to replace and relocate a pole and associated facilities at or near the Bend station. This work is necessary to extend PacifiCorp’s electric network to the far side of the railroad tracks in order to serve new developments made possible by this road construction project. 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.

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

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Sincerely,

          /s/

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Enclosures

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**ATTACHMENT A**

**License for Electric Supply Line  
Across or Along Railway Property  
(Permit #20-66957)**