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RE: Docket UE-22_____—Affiliated Interest Filing—PacifiCorp and Bridger Coal 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 the Bridger Coal Company (Bridger), to enter into a contract through which Bridger will sell one MagneTek Viking Power 3-Phase 60 hertz (Hz) transformer and one General Electric 3-Phase 60 Hz transformer (collectively, the Transformers) to PacifiCorp. Bridger no longer has use for these Transformers as its underground mining operations have ended. In contrast PacifiCorp has need for the Transformers as reserves to ensure electrical service to its customers is not unreasonably interrupted. The transaction will be affected through a purchase and sale agreement (the Agreement). A verified copy of the Agreement, bill of sale and invoice (#18518) are included with this notice respectively as Attachment A, Attachment B and Attachment C.

PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation, is the direct 100 percent owner of Pacific Minerals, Inc., a Wyoming corporation. In turn Pacific Minerals, Inc., holds a 66.7 percent ownership interest in Bridger, a Wyoming joint venture company. RCW 80.16.020 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, PacifiCorp's indirect ownership interest in Bridger through Pacific Minerals, Inc., creates an affiliated interest between PacifiCorp and Bridger.

Bridger originally purchased the equipment for \$556,193. The value of the equipment to be purchased by PacifiCorp, doing business as Rocky Mountain Power, under the Agreement is approximately \$355,950. Bridger offered the specified equipment to PacifiCorp at the best cost and terms when compared to other options on the market, along with a premium that benefits PacifiCorp's customers. Thus, the use of Bridger as supplier of the Transformers under the Agreement is in the public interest.

Also included with this filing is a signed verification regarding Attachment A, Attachment B, and Attachment C from Tiffany S. Barker, Manager, Finance/Accounting, Bridger Coal Company Administration, PacifiCorp.

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