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Re: Docket UE-24____—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 and BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) for a License for Electric Supply Line Across or Along Railway Property (Permit 24W-20269) (License) allowing PacifiCorp to construct and maintain an electric supply line containing a maximum of three (3) conductors and one (1) neutral wireline, together with its supporting or containing structures (collectively, the “Electric Supply Line”), across or along BNSF’s rail corridor at or near the station of Bend, County of Deschutes, State of Oregon, Line Segment 0053, Mile Post 149.17. 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 A. 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 \$13,506.00 for the 25-year License, which includes the application fee, annual permit fee, insurance and a rush charge. Obtaining the License is in the public interest because it allows PacifiCorp to work on facilities at or near the Bend station. This work is necessary to facilitate construction over BNSF tracks that will provide primary electrical service to a new customer. 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,

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Enclosures

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