

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND )  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, )  
Complainant, )  
v. )  
PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER & )  
LIGHT COMPANY, )  
Respondent. )

---

Docket No. UE-100749

**EXHIBIT NO.\_\_(MPG-4)**

**PROXY GROUP**

October 5, 2010

# PacifiCorp

## Proxy Group

<u>Line</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Credit Ratings<sup>1</sup></u>		<u>Common Equity Ratios</u>		<u>S&amp;P Business Risk Score<sup>3</sup></u>
		<u>S&amp;P</u> (1)	<u>Moody's</u> (2)	<u>AUS<sup>1</sup></u> (3)	<u>Value Line<sup>2</sup></u> (4)	
1	ALLETE	A-	A2	57.0%	57.2%	Strong
2	Alliant Energy Co.	A-	A2	51.0%	51.2%	Excellent
3	Black Hills Corp	BBB	A3	52.0%	51.6%	Strong
4	Con. Edison	A-	A3	49.0%	51.0%	Excellent
5	DPL Inc.	A	Aa3	46.0%	46.9%	Excellent
6	DTE Energy Co.	A-	A2	46.0%	46.0%	Strong
7	Duke Energy	A-	A2	57.0%	57.4%	Excellent
8	Edison Internat.	N/R	A1	46.0%	46.5%	Strong
9	Entergy Corp.	A-	Baa1	42.0%	43.1%	Strong
10	NextEra Energy	A	Aa3	39.0%	44.3%	Strong
11	IDACORP	A-	A2	50.0%	49.8%	Excellent
12	Northeast Utilities	BBB+	A3	43.0%	41.5%	Excellent
13	NSTAR	AA-	A1	39.0%	48.2%	Excellent
14	PG&E Corp.	BBB+	A3	49.0%	47.4%	Excellent
15	Portland General	A-	A3	46.0%	49.7%	Strong
16	Progress Energy	A-	A1	43.0%	43.3%	Excellent
17	SCANA Corp.	A-	A3	42.0%	43.2%	Excellent
18	Sempra Energy	A+	Aa3	54.0%	54.1%	Excellent
19	Southern Co.	A	A2	45.0%	43.6%	Excellent
20	Vectren Corp.	A	A2	44.0%	47.5%	Excellent
21	Wisconsin Energy	A-	A1	45.0%	47.7%	Excellent
22	Xcel Energy Inc.	A-	A2	46.0%	47.7%	Excellent
23	<b>Average</b>	<b>A-</b>	<b>A2</b>	<b>46.9%</b>	<b>48.1%</b>	<b>Excellent</b>
24	PacifiCorp	A <sup>4</sup>	A2 <sup>4</sup>		49.7% <sup>5</sup>	Excellent

Sources:

<sup>1</sup> *AUS Utility Reports*, August 2010.

<sup>2</sup> *The Value Line Investment Survey*, June 25, August 6 and August 27, 2010.

<sup>3</sup> *S&P RatingsDirect*: "U.S. Regulated Electric Utilities, Strongest to Weakest," August 4, 2010.

<sup>4</sup> Williams Direct at 8.

<sup>5</sup> Exhibit No.\_\_(MPG-3), Page 1 of 2.