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October 11, 2021

NOTICE SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

and

**NOTICE REQUIRING FILING OF SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS
(By October 28, 2021)**

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company*, Docket UE-210402

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 1, 2021, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-76. PacifiCorp characterizes its filing as a Power Cost Only Rate Case (PCORC).

On June 25, 2021, the Commission entered Order 03, which established a procedural schedule for the case and set this matter for hearing beginning December 3, 2021.

On September 24, 2021, the Commission issued a Notice Amending Procedural Schedule (Notice). The Commission granted a joint motion filed by Commission staff (Staff) and the Company to amend the procedural schedule and reschedule the hearing to Friday, January 14, 2022.

On October 8, 2021, counsel for Staff contacted the presiding officer on behalf of the parties to inform the Commission that the parties (Settling Parties), with the exception of the Public Counsel Unit of the Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) have reached a full multiparty settlement in principle and intend to file a settlement agreement and testimony in support thereof by October 28, 2021. Counsel for Staff noted that Public Counsel has not joined the settlement.

The Settling Parties request that the Commission suspend the procedural schedule with the exception of the public comment hearing, currently set for November 18, 2021. If the Commission requires a hearing in this case, the Settling Parties request that the Commission set the hearing for Friday, December 3, 2021.

The Commission finds good cause to suspend the procedural schedule with the exception of the public comment hearing, currently set for November 18, 2021. The Settling Parties must file a settlement agreement and supporting documentation by October 28, 2021. At that time, the Commission will determine what additional process is necessary in light of the parties' respective positions.

The Commission preserves the hearing date of January 14, 2022, in the event that a hearing will be useful in developing the record. In our Notice on September 24, 2021, the Commission reset the hearing in this case from December 3, 2021, to January 14, 2022. Staff and the Company stated that additional time was required to prepare testimony and develop a full record in this case, and we found good cause for granting the requested continuance. The Settling Parties do not show good cause—or provide any explanation—to support their request to move the hearing date. Additionally, the hearing date of January 14, 2022, is more consistent with the Commission's administrative needs.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the procedural schedule in this matter is suspended with the exception of the public comment hearing set for November 18, 2021, and the evidentiary hearing set for January 14, 2022.

THE COMMISSION GIVES FURTHER NOTICE That the Settling Parties must file a settlement agreement and supporting documentation no later than October 28, 2021.

/s/ Michael Howard
MICHAEL HOWARD
Administrative Law Judge