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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,))
Complainant,)
v.) DOCKET NO. UE-991832
PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT,))) FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER:) PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER
Respondent.)
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- 1. **PREHEARING CONFERENCE:** On November 24, 1999, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light filed certain tariff revisions designed to effect a general increase in its rates for electric service. The company's letter of transmittal indicates that the cumulative effect of the tariff filing would be to increase annual revenues by \$25.8 million. The Commission, by Order entered December 29, 1999, suspended the operation of the tariff revisions pending hearing or hearings concerning such changes and the justness and reasonableness thereof. The Commission convened a prehearing conference in this matter in Olympia, Washington, on January 21, 2000, before Administrative Law Judges Dennis J. Moss and Lois Ellen Gold.
- 2. PARTIES: James M. Van Nostrand and Stephen C. Hall, Stoel Rives LLP, Seattle, Washington, represent PacifiCorp. Sally Johnston, Assistant Attorney General, Olympia, Washington represents Commission Staff (Staff). Simon ffitch and Robert Cromwell, Assistant Attorneys General, Seattle, Washington, represent Public Counsel. Melinda Davison, Bradley Van Cleve, and Michael T. Brooks, Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer & Pembroke, P.C., Portland, Oregon, represent Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU). Danielle Dixon, Policy Associate with the Northwest Energy Coalition (NWEC), Seattle, Washington, represents that organization. Chuck Ebert, Manager, The Opportunity Council/The Energy Project, Bellingham, Washington, represents Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic (YVFWC), Yakima Valley Opportunities Industrialization Center (Yakima OIC), and the Washington State Association of Community Action Agencies' Energy Project; these groups will be referred to collectively as "The Energy Project."
- 3. **DISCOVERY**: This proceeding is the type described in WAC 480-09-480(2)(a) and the parties request the opportunity for discovery. The discovery rule, WAC 480-09-480,

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- Special scheduling conventions will be followed for discovery. Data requests served by July 5, 2000, must be responded to within ten (10) business days. However, any response that would fall due during the first round of evidentiary hearings (*i.e.*, April 24-28, 2000) may be postponed by the same number of days as are required to complete the first round of hearings. Data requests served after July 5, 2000, must be responded to within seven (7) business days, with service effected by 2:00 p.m. Pacific time, on the seventh day.
- 8. Dates for public comment hearings to be held in PacifiCorp's service territory in Washington State will be established by subsequent notice or order. Additional procedural dates may be established by subsequent notice or order.
- 9. WITNESS AND EXHIBITS LISTS: Each party must provide the presiding Administrative Law Judge and each other party a list of witnesses in the order they will appear along with a list of exhibits sponsored by each witness. Parties also must identify exhibits expected to be used in cross-examination and provide copies to other parties and the Bench (5 copies). Prefiled exhibits provided to the Commission and parties, including cross-examination exhibits, need not be provided to parties again at hearing.
- 10. Lists and exhibits must be provided in-hand to the Presiding Judge and all parties at least four (4) business days before the first hearing day for each scheduled hearing (*i.e.*, by COB April 18, 2000, and July 25, 2000). These requirements facilitate case management and expedite the hearing. Lists and cross-examination exhibits may be served by facsimile or other electronic transmission; the presiding Administrative Law Judges' facsimile number is (360) 664-2654. Copies may instead be furnished by mail or hand-delivery with the ALJs' courtesy copies addressed to him directly.
- 11. Parties will be responsible for marking their own exhibit copies at hearing as the Bench designates numbers. The Bench will mark all originals and Bench copies.
- 12. FILING; COPIES OF MATERIALS: Filing can be accomplished only by mail delivery to the Commission Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W. Olympia, Washington 98504-7250, or by hand delivery to the Commission Secretary via the Commission's records center at the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W., Olympia, Washington, 98504-7250. Both the post office box and street address are required to expedite deliveries by U.S. Postal Service. An original plus 20 copies of all pleadings, motions, briefs, and other prefiled materials must be filed with the Commission.
- 13. Electronic filing may be allowed on request by a party, or required by the Bench, if necessary to expedite a particular process. When electronic filing and service is allowed,