

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of

PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

For an Order Approving Deferred Accounting
Related to Electric Vehicle Pilot Program.

DOCKET UE-18____

PACIFIC POWER’S PETITION FOR
ACCOUNTING ORDER

I. INTRODUCTION

1 In accordance with WAC 480-07-370(3), Pacific Power & Light Company (Pacific Power), a division of PacifiCorp, petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) for an order authorizing the company to defer the costs associated with its electric vehicle pilot program. Pacific Power seeks deferral of these costs to track and preserve them for later ratemaking treatment.

II. BACKGROUND

2 Pacific Power is an electric utility and public service company doing business in the state of Washington under RCW 80.04.010, and its public utility operations, retail rates, service, and accounting practices are subject to the Commission’s jurisdiction. PacifiCorp also provides retail electricity service under the name Pacific Power in Oregon and California and under the name Rocky Mountain Power in Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming. The company’s principal place of business is 825 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 2000, Portland, Oregon 97232.

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III. THE BASIS FOR REQUESTING DEFERRED ACCOUNTING

A. Description

4 On September 6, 2018, Pacific Power submitted an advice filing seeking approval of its tariff sheets for a new Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Pilot Program (EV Pilot Program) as well as a new Schedule 45 Public DC Fast Charger Optional Transitional Rate Tariff.¹ The purpose of this pilot program is to help overcome barriers to transportation electrification in Pacific Power's Washington service area. The proposed pilot program represents Pacific Power's initial effort to follow the direction from the Commission's Policy and Interpretive Statement Concerning Commission Regulation of Electric Vehicle Charging Service, while taking advantage of opportunities afforded by

¹ Advice No. 18-03, Docket UE-180757. This petition is only requesting to defer the costs incurred through the pilot programs. Any revenue loss incurred through the new Schedule 45 transitional rate tariff is not included as part of this request.

its multi-state service territory to manage costs to Washington customers. Pacific Power requests that the costs incurred through the EV Pilot Program be deferred for later ratemaking treatment.

B. Proposed Accounting

5 During the deferral period, PacifiCorp proposes to account for the costs associated with its electric vehicle pilot program in the following manner. The pilot program costs will be credited to Account 131—Cash, thereby decreasing the amounts booked in that account, and debited to Account 182.3—Other Regulatory Assets. The company requests that it be allowed to accrue interest on the unamortized balance at a rate equal to its authorized weighted average cost of capital most recently approved by the Commission in Docket UE-152253.

C. Estimate of Amounts

6 Pacific Power’s EV Pilot Program estimated the full cost to deploy its program at \$1.1 million, with 80 percent of these costs going to funding awards under the program. Pacific Power has provided more detail on these costs in its filing submitted on September 6, 2018. Actual costs and funding levels will be driven by customer demand, consultant selection, and contracting, and will vary based on the participation levels in this program.

IV. CONCLUSION

7 Pacific Power respectfully requests that the Commission authorize the company to defer the actual costs for implementing a new Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Pilot Program and Schedule 45 Public DC Fast Charger Optional Transitional Rate Tariff. Pacific Power will address any ratemaking treatment of these costs in a future filing or general rate case.

Respectfully submitted this 24th day of September, 2018.

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