

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

Docket UE-161204

Wash. Utils. & Transp. Comm'n v. Pacific Power & Light Co

**RESPONSE OF PUBLIC COUNSEL TO COLUMBIA REA
DATA REQUEST NOS. 001 THROUGH 007**

Request No: 003
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COLUMBIA REA DATA REQUEST NO. 003 TO PUBLIC COUNSEL:

Reference KAK-1T at 53:2-3. Please provide all documentation and evidence to support Ms. Kelly's statement that neighboring non-jurisdictional providers have access to cheaper sources of wholesale electric power than Pacific Power.

RESPONSE:

Ms. Kelly's statement relied on testimony in Exhibit No. RBD-1T at 8:3-6 as follows: "However, non-regulated utilities are able to entice customers with special rates or line extension packages. They are not subject to Commission rate regulation and are also eligible to purchase power from BPA on a preference and priority basis." Ms. Kelly notes that Columbia REA does not post its rate schedule on its public web site, making it difficult to compare CREA's rates to other providers.