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**WASHINGTON  
NON-RESIDENTIAL TIME OF USE  
PILOT**

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**Program Evaluation**

**November 2024**

PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp) recommends making permanent its current Washington non-residential time-of-use pilot (Schedule 29). While only one customer has benefitted from Schedule 29 in the 36 months since it became effective,<sup>1</sup> the Company continues to see it as a valuable alternative to standard non-residential pricing for customers with loads under one megawatt.

The Company originally proposed Schedule 29 with the primary goal of offering alternative pricing that can support the growth of transportation electrification,<sup>2</sup> particularly as the Company's DC Fast Charger Rate (Schedule 45) demand charge discounts continue to phase out.<sup>3</sup> Since Schedule 45 is only available to publicly available DC fast chargers and can become less valuable to customers over its effective period, the Company wanted to offer another option that would not phase out and would support all types of transportation electrification, including bus and fleet charging that may not be publicly available.

The one customer that has benefitted from Schedule 29 primarily charges electric buses<sup>4</sup> and has saved over \$25,000, or 25 percent, since switching from standard pricing to Schedule 29 in March 2022. The Company sent a letter to this customer with a link to complete a survey, but the customer has not responded. While the Company may not have the insight that it would have if this customer had responded, the customer has stayed on Schedule 29 and saved a significant amount over more than two years. Since only one customer has benefitted from the pilot, the Company has not prepared a cost of service study or cost/benefit analysis.

Finally, since Schedule 29 is not restricted to transportation electrification, the Company views Schedule 29 as a potentially useful alternative for any low-load factor customer, and particularly for low-load factor customers that are able to shift load to off-peak times. If Schedule 29 becomes a permanent rate option, the Company will continue to promote it to low-load factor customers and customers who are able to shift load.

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<sup>1</sup> Three other customers enrolled accidentally, but the Company worked to remove them and compensate them for overpayments.

<sup>2</sup> See Docket UE-191024.

<sup>3</sup> Schedule 45 shows on-peak energy and demand charge transition discounts that gradually terminate over the twelve months ending on November 1, 2030.

<sup>4</sup> In ZIP code 99362, census tract 9206.