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NOTICE OF BENCH REQUESTS (Due by Monday, January 22, 2024 at 5 p.m.)

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

Dockets UE-230172 and UE-210852 (Consolidated)

The following bench requests are directed to the indicated parties.

BENCH REQUEST NO. 1:

To PacifiCorp:

Company witness Allen L. Berreth testifies to the need for situational awareness when addressing wildfire risk. More specificity related to the data collection and analysis would be beneficial.

- a. Do these data tools need to be built specifically for the Company or are there more "out of the box" systems available?
- b. Has the Company priced or demoed any of the software discussed by the Company?

The Company is seeking approximately \$20 million dollars to enhance infrastructure in the Fire High Consequence Areas (FHCA).

- a. How often will the Company evaluate which areas meet the criteria to be considered an FHCA?
- b. Would these costs be borne by the customers within the FHCA or spread amongst the entire Washington rate base?

BENCH REQUEST NO. 2:

To AWEC:

AWEC witness Bradley G. Mullins argues that including net power costs (NPC) based on calendar years results in misstating costs of the Jim Bridger Units 1 and 2, as well as various wind facilities (BGM-1CT at 19:13-21:2).

- a. Is AWEC's proposal for requiring the NPC based on the rate effective periods limited to this proceeding or should this be required on a going-forward basis?
- b. What are the implications of having NPC based on a different period (rate effective versus calendar year) than other revenue requirement inputs to customer rates?

/s/Michael Howard MICHAEL HOWARD Director, Administrative Law Division