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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jeff Killip
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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Re: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power and Light Company, Dockets UE-230172 and UE-210852*

Dear Mr. Killip,

Under RCW 80.04.130 and Order 03 in UE-230172, the Company's tariffs in this case are suspended until tomorrow, March 19, 2024. This means that the Company's original tariffs will go into effect at 12:01 am tomorrow, March 19, 2024, unless an order rejecting those tariffs is issued before that time. *See Gen. Tel. Co. of the Nw. v. Washington Utilities & Transp. Comm'n*, 104 Wash. 2d 460, 465, 706 P.2d 625, 629 (1985) ("If the Commission fails to vacate the increase, or fails to act within the 10-month period, the full increase takes effect."). Along with other parties, we are concerned about this outcome, which is clearly inconsistent with the settlement agreement now under Commission review in this case. To avoid this outcome, the Company therefore agrees to a one-time, one-day extension of the suspension period until Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

In prior cases, the Commission has avoided questions about the operation of the suspension period by issuing orders approximately one to two weeks in advance of the expiration date of the suspension period. This approach avoids the need for a last-minute extension of the suspension period or deferrals, thus allowing the Company's compliance filing to be processed in a manner that aligns the effective date of new rates with the end of the suspension period, as contemplated by Washington law.

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Please contact this office with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jocelyn Pease". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

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Enclosure

cc: UE-230172 Service List

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served **PacifiCorp's Letter to Judge Howard Regarding the Tariff Suspension Period** upon all parties of record in this proceeding, by electronic transmission to the email address(es) of each party or party representative listed in the commission's master service list for this docket.

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