BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, **DOCKET UE-230172**

Complainant,

REOUEST FOR PAYMENT OF FUND GRANT OF THE ENERGY PROJECT

PACIFICORP D/B/A PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

Respondent.

- Pursuant to the Washington Extended Interim Participatory Funding Agreement (Funding 1 Agreement), approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) in Docket No. U-210595, and Order 05 Approving Proposed Budgets and Fund Grants Part in Docket UE-230172, The Energy Project (TEP) respectfully requests payment totaling \$50,000 from the 2023 Customer Representation Sub-Fund for PacifiCorp.² In support of this request, TEP states the following:
- On April 19, 2023, PacifiCorp filed with the Commission its proposed new tariff sheets. 2
- On May 16, 2023, TEP filed a Request for Case Certification and Notice of Intent to Seek Fund 3 Grant, and on May 17, 2023 TEP filed a Proposed Budget.
- On June 30, 2023, the Commission issued Order 05, which approved TEP's proposed Budget 4 and Fund Grant in the amount of \$50,000.3
- TEP respectfully submits that this request for payment satisfies the requirement of the Funding 5 Agreement Section 7.1 as follows:
 - a. Section 7.1(a). The itemized expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed, including billing details, and including separately identified amounts for attorney fees and travel expenses are attached as Confidential Exhibit A. TEP does not

¹ Docket U-210595, Order 02 Approving Agreement Subject to Condition; Requiring Refiling of Modified Agreement (February 9, 2023).

² See Funding Agreement § 4.2; Order 05 Approving Proposed Budgets and Fund Grants, ¶ 15-17 (June 30, 2023).

³ Order 05 Approving Proposed Budgets and Fund Grants, ¶¶ 15-17 (June 30, 2023).

- include any fees for its consultants or apportioned wages for in-house staff related to participation in this proceeding.
- b. Section 7.1(b). TEP was a full and active participant in this docket and the expenses are reasonable and directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of low-income customers and vulnerable populations. These issues included, among others, low-income energy assistance program funding and design, low-income weatherization, billing, credit and collection issues, arrearage management, performance-based regulation, language access, and issues impacting PSE's revenue requirement. As the only party focusing solely on the interests of low-income customers in this proceeding, TEP provided comments, participated in settlement conferences, participated in prehearing/status conferences, and submitted testimony. The expenses included in Confidential Attachment A are Eligible Expenses as defined in Funding Agreement Section 7.3 and are reasonable and directly attributable to TEP's participation in this proceeding on behalf of low-income customers and vulnerable populations.
- c. <u>Section 7.1(c)</u>. As set forth in this request for payment, TEP has provided information sufficient to demonstrate that TEP complied with all conditions and requirements of its Approved Fund Grant.
- d. <u>Section 7.1(d)</u>. This request is a final request for payment under the Approved Fund Grant for the full amount of the Approved Fund Grant.
- e. <u>Section 7.3.</u> All of the expenses included in Confidential Attachment A are Eligible Expenses as defined in Section 7.3 of the Funding Agreement.
- 6 Upon approval of this request for payment by the Commission, please send payment to TEP as follows:

The Energy Project

Washington State Community Action Partnership

PO Box 7130, Olympia, WA 98507

TEP has satisfied the terms of the Funding Agreement and respectfully requests that the Commission approve payment of TEP's Fund Grant in the amount of \$50,000 from PacifiCorp's Customer Representation Sub-Funds within 30 days of receiving this Request for Payment as provided in Section 7.6 of the Funding Agreement.

DATED: April 4, 2024 By: /s/ Yochanan Zakai

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