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## Re: Depreciation Acceleration.

Please refer to the response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 9.

- (a) Is it currently the Company's intent to stop using power from the Jim Bridger units for serving Washington customers in 2025? Please explain.
- (b) Is it currently the Company's intent to stop using power from the Colstrip Units for serving Washington customers in 2032? Please explain.

## Response to PC Data Request 60

- (a) The Company's proposal in this proceeding to accelerate the depreciation of the coal-fueled generating plans included in Washington rates is to provide greater resource planning flexibility for the Company and its customers as Washington implements state and federal environmental policies as discussed in the direct testimony of R. Bryce Dalley. If approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, this proposal would align Washington's depreciable lives with those used in Oregon for the same facilities. Changing depreciable lives, however, would not restrict the Company from using generation from these resources to serve Washington customers after the end of the facilities' depreciable lives, nor would it prevent the Commission from revisiting the depreciable lives in a future proceeding. The Company expects that parameters such as state and federal policies, regulatory compacts, as well as the then-current operating costs and benefits will ultimately dictate whether or not individual units continue to serve Washington customers after their depreciable lives are met.
- (b) Please refer to response to part (a).

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