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ALGO PC DIVISION
SEATTLE

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

For an Accounting Order Approving
Deferral of Certain Costs Related to the
MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company
Transition.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES &
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER &
LIGHT COMPANY,

Respondent.

DOCKET NO. UE-060817

DOCKET NO. UE-061546

DECLARATION OF GREGORY J.
TRAUTMAN

GREGORY J. TRAUTMAN, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of
Washington, declares as follows:

1. I am over 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the state of Washington, and competent to be a witness.
2. I am employed by the Washington State Attorney General's office as an Assistant Attorney General in the Utilities and Transportation Division. I am a member of the Washington State Bar Association.
3. I am the attorney of record for Commission Staff in the "Qwest AFOR" docket, No. UT-061625, regarding Qwest's application for an alternative form of regulation under RCW 80.36.135.

4. Settlement discussion in the Qwest AFOR docket were ongoing, with parties meeting on multiple occasions in January and February, 2007. At a settlement conference on February 28, the parties agreed to continue meetings on Friday morning, March 2, at approximately 9:30 a.m..
5. The prehearing conference for exchange of exhibits and other prehearing matters in the Qwest AFOR docket was scheduled for March 7, 2007, the following Wednesday.
6. On Friday morning, March 2, the settlement conference in the Qwest AFOR case began as scheduled at approximately 9:30 a.m. Simon ffitch was participating by telephone on behalf of Public Counsel.
7. The settlement negotiations reached a critical stage late in the morning of March 2. Staff and Qwest stated during the call that they had reached agreement and were willing to enter into a settlement. Public Counsel was asked if there were terms which would enable it to join the multi-party settlement.
8. After the conclusion of the conference call, around mid-day, Qwest counsel Lisa Anderl and I informed Administrative Law Judge Patricia Clark of the multi-party settlement to which Qwest and Staff had agreed.
9. Public Counsel did present a final offer in writing (via email) to Qwest and Staff in late afternoon on March 2, 2007.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2007, at Olympia, Washington.


GREGORY J. TRAUTMAN