

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF  
RESPONSE TO DATA REQUEST

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10. As contemplated by the Staff, would the rates contained in the Company's current tariffs be considered the floor or the ceiling within a banded rate structure? What are the foreseeable ramifications under both scenarios (floor – ceiling)?

**Response:**

Again, Staff is not suggesting any particular rate design characteristics, and only notes that the provisions allowing the use of banded rates should a Pacific Power desire to use such rates to address competition. It would be incumbent on the Company to design, develop and propose any banded rate model in a way that complies with RCW 80.28.075 and WAC 480-80-112.