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Steven V. King
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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RE: Docket UE-16_____—Affiliated Interest Filing—PacifiCorp and Huntington Cleveland Irrigation Company

Under the provisions of RCW 80.16.020 and in accordance with WAC 480-100-245, Pacific Power & Light Company (Pacific Power or Company), a division of PacifiCorp, provides notice of an affiliated interest transaction with Huntington Cleveland Irrigation Company (HCIC) for a Non-Exclusive Pipeline Easement Agreement allowing HCIC to access a small portion of PacifiCorp property to complete a project to enclose existing open irrigation trenches in pressurized pipes in Emery County, Utah. A verified copy of the Non-Exclusive Pipeline Easement Agreement (Easement) is included with this Notice as Attachment A.

HCIC is a non-profit mutual irrigation corporation that owns water rights in the Huntington Creek Drainage Basin located in Emery County, Utah. PacifiCorp currently owns approximately one-third of the ownership shares of HCIC and receives an allocation of water from HCIC based on such ownership. PacifiCorp also appoints one member to HCIC's ten-person board of directors.

While irrigation companies typically use "ownership by shares" exclusively to allocate and grant water rights (and as such, they are not typical equity interests in the entity), this ownership interest and appointment authority could be deemed to create an affiliate interest in some PacifiCorp jurisdictions. RCW 80.16.010 includes in its definition of "affiliated interest," "every corporation five percent or more of whose voting securities are owned by any person or corporation owning five percent or more of the voting securities of such public service company or by any person or corporation in any such chain of successive ownership of five percent or more of voting securities." Therefore, PacifiCorp's ownership interest in HCIC creates a potential affiliated interest relationship between the Company and HCIC. PacifiCorp thereby submits this filing out of an abundance of caution.

HCIC is constructing a project to enclose existing open irrigation trenches in pressurized pipes. The project will decrease the water quantity and quality losses associated with open trench irrigation and will thereby increase the value of the HCIC water rights for the collective benefit of all shareholders. The project was jointly funded by HCIC shareholders. In conjunction with the approval of the project, the shareholders all agreed not to charge easement fees charges in conjunction with the land rights granted to facilitate the project.

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The project requires a permanent pipeline easement across approximately 0.571 acres (830 feet in length and 30 feet in width) of PacifiCorp property and a temporary construction easement across approximately 0.667 acres of PacifiCorp property (830 feet in length and 35 feet in width). The subject property was acquired in conjunction with the acquisition of water rights and is not used for power generation or delivery purposes. The value of the easements has been internally estimated at \$320. This fee has been waived in accordance with the above-described agreement. A copy of the Non-Exclusive Pipeline Easement Agreement is included with this notice as Attachment A.

The water received through HCIC constitutes the primary water supply for PacifiCorp's Huntington Plant and a secondary water supply for PacifiCorp's Hunter Plant. By improving efficiencies and minimizing waste, the project helps ensure an uninterrupted water supply for these plants. Granting such easements is in furtherance of this objective. The agreement to waive easement fees minimizes the overall project costs, a large portion of which would be passed through to PacifiCorp as the largest shareholder in HCIC. Accordingly, granting such easements without charge is in the public interest. The Huntington and Hunter Plants are not reflected in Washington rates under the West Control Area inter-jurisdictional allocation methodology (WCA). Notwithstanding, the Company is providing this notice out of an abundance of caution to ensure consistent treatment of affiliate contracts under the requirements of RCW 80.16.

Also included with this filing is a notarized verification from Jeff Erb, Assistant General Counsel regarding the Non-Exclusive Pipeline Easement Agreement.

It is respectfully requested that all formal correspondence and Staff requests regarding this material be addressed to:

By E-Mail (preferred): <u>datarequest@pacificorp.com</u>

By regular mail: Data Request Response Center

PacifiCorp

825 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 2000

Portland, Oregon, 97232

Please contact Ariel Son, Regulatory Projects Manager, at 503-813-5410 if you have any informal questions.

Sincerely,

R. Bryce Dalley /Ag

Vice President, Regulation

Enclosure

WASHINGTON AFFILIATED INTEREST FILING ATTACHMENT A

NON-EXCLUSIVE PIPELINE EASEMENT AGREEMENT

WHEN RECORDED, RETURN TO: PacifiCorp, an Oregon Corporation Property Management Department 1407 West North Temple, Suite 110 Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Attn: Erik Carlson

NON-EXCLUSIVE PIPELINE EASEMENT AGREEMENT

PacifiCorp, an Oregon Corporation, whose address is 1407 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116, ("Grantor") for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby grants to Huntington Cleveland Irrigation Company, a non-profit mutual irrigation company organized under the laws of the State of Utah ("Grantee") a perpetual non-exclusive easement and right of way ("Easement") over and across certain parcels of real property owned by Grantor ("Grantor's Land") located in Emery County, Utah, more particularly described in Exhibit "A" hereto, for the sole purpose of constructing, operating, maintaining, repairing, inspecting and replacing a single pressurized irrigation pipeline and related facilities (the "Pipeline") subject to the terms and conditions set forth below, over and through Grantor's Land, said easement lying within a strip thirty (30) feet wide and extending fifteen (15) feet on each side of and lying parallel and adjacent to the lines of reference and projections thereof described more particularly in Exhibit "B", hereto.

1. Grantee's Use.

- a. Grantee shall have a non-exclusive right to install, operate, inspect, repair, replace, and maintain the Pipeline. During construction periods, not to exceed eighteen (18) months from the date of this Easement, Grantee and its agents may use thirty-five (35) additional feet of Grantor's property along and adjacent to said Easement in connection with the construction of said facilities.
- b. Grantee will not store materials or refuel vehicles or equipment on Grantor's Land. The use of hazardous materials is prohibited on Grantor's Land.
- c. Grantee acknowledges that Grantor's existing or future power lines are or may be located within the Easement boundaries and agrees to conduct its activities in strict compliance with all applicable laws, codes, rules, regulations, and standards regarding such power lines. Grantee's use of Grantor's Land shall comply in all respects with National Electric Safety Code, and OSHA clearance standards. Grantee shall not make or allow any use of Grantor's Land that is inconsistent with or that may interfere with Grantor's operation, maintenance, repair, or upgrade of its existing power line facilities and installations or any additional power line facilities or installations that may be constructed hereafter.
- d. At no time shall Grantee place, use or permit to be used on said Easement construction cranes or other equipment having a boom or similar attachment which may come in

contact with Grantor's overhead electric lines. At no time shall Grantee place any equipment or material of any kind that exceeds fifteen (15) feet in height, or that creates a material risk of endangering Grantor's facilities, or that may pose a risk to human safety. Grantee shall maintain a minimum distance of twenty (20) feet between equipment and transmission line conductors (wires).

- e. Grantee will not excavate within fifty (50) feet of Grantor's existing transmission structures. Grantee shall maintain a minimum distance of fifty (50) feet between the Pipeline and Grantor's structure(s) and transmission line conductors (wires). Grantee shall maintain a minimum distance of thirty-five (35) feet from finished grade to conductors. Grantee shall maintain a minimum distance of fifty (50) feet between approved facilities and the point where the transmission line (steel/wood pole/guy anchor/steel pole) enters the earth.
- f. Grantee shall, at its own expense, promptly repair any damage to the Easement area or adjacent lands to Grantor's satisfaction caused by, or in any way arising out of, Grantee's use of the Easement, including replacing topsoil to the original surface contour or elevation. Grantee agrees to repair any surface damages due to erosion or settling that may occur due to natural precipitation events within the easement area. This commitment shall be for a period of ten (10) years or until native vegetation is established through natural processes. If Grantee fails to do so within a reasonable amount of time, Grantor may perform the restoration work at Grantee's expense.
- g. This Easement is limited to the construction of the identified Pipeline along the route described herein. Grantee may not install laterals, taps, or subfeeds from the Pipeline without a separate grant of easement from Grantor.
- h. Grantee shall be solely responsible for the cost of any cathodic or other protection of the Pipeline necessitated by its proximity to Grantor's existing or future electric power lines.
- i. Grantor's maintenance and future construction of additional power lines and other facilities require the use and operation of equipment weighing twenty thousand (20,000) pounds per axle (including wire pullers and similar equipment weighing in excess of one hundred thousand (100,000) pounds and cranes weighing one hundred thirty thousand (130,000) pounds above and over the Pipeline. Grantee shall bury the Pipeline to a depth that is sufficient to protect the Pipeline from Grantor's use of equipment with weights identified above. Grantee shall be solely responsible for any damage to Grantee's facilities caused any failure to meet this standard.
- j. Grantee shall fully restore and level the surface of Grantor's Land, as nearly as can reasonably be done, from any damage caused by construction, inspection, maintenance, repairs or removal of the Pipeline. If Grantee fails to do so within a reasonable amount of time, Grantor may perform the restoration work at Grantee's expense. Grantee shall compensate Grantor or its tenants for any damage caused by, or arising out of Grantees Use of Easement area, including without limitation, damage to fences, livestock, or crops and timber located anywhere on Grantor's property.

- 2. <u>Right of Access</u>. Grantee shall have the right of reasonable ingress and egress to and from said Easement over and across Grantor's Land at such locations as Grantor shall, from time to time designate, provided that such access does not interfere with Grantor's utility operations.
- 3. <u>Grantor's Use.</u> Grantor expressly reserves the right to use the Easement for any purpose that is not inconsistent with the purposes for which this Easement is granted, including the right to cross and re-cross the Easement with equipment, personnel, overhead or underground power lines, and access roads at any location or locations, and to grant or convey additional uses of the Easement to others for any purpose not inconsistent with the rights granted hereunder. Grantee will provide adequate protection for the Pipeline for such uses.
- 4. <u>Use of Grantor's Remaining Property</u>. This Easement shall impose no restrictions upon Grantor's use of Grantor's Land outside the Easement ("Grantor's Remaining Property.") Any uses of Grantor's Remaining Property, including but not limited to uses for electricity generation, transmission or other utility purposes, shall not be deemed to interfere with Grantee's uses under this Easement. Any use by Grantee of Grantor's Remaining Property shall be strictly limited to access as provided in this Easement. This Easement confers no secondary rights upon Grantee with respect to Grantor's Remaining Property.
- 5. <u>Relocation</u>. In the event the Pipeline interferes with Grantor's use of the Easement or Grantor's Land, Grantee shall relocate the pipeline to a location mutually agreeable to Grantor and Grantee, all at Grantee's sole cost and expense. Such relocation shall be completed within a reasonable time after notice by Grantor.
- 6. <u>Indemnification</u>. Grantee shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Grantor, its officers, directors, employees, subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively "Indemnitees") from and against any losses, claims, liens, demands and causes of action of every kind, including the amount of any judgment, penalty, interest, court cost or legal fee incurred by the Indemnitees or any of them in the defense of same, arising in favor of any party, including governmental agencies or bodies, on account of taxes, claims, liens, debts, personal injuries, death or damages to property, violations of Environmental Laws and Regulations, and all other claims or demands of every character arising directly or indirectly out of Grantee's use of or activities on or around Grantor's Land, except to the extent such losses, claims, liens, demands and causes of action are directly or indirectly caused by the Indemnitees. For purposes of this agreement, "Environmental Laws and Regulations" shall mean all present and future federal, state and local laws and all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, relating to pollution or protection of the environment.
- 6. <u>Damages</u>. In addition to the general indemnification provisions above, Grantee agrees that if Grantee or its activities under this Easement cause any damage to Grantor's utility equipment or facilities, whether above or below ground, Grantee will reimburse Grantor for all costs incurred by Grantor to repair or replace such damaged equipment or facilities and all loss of income suffered by Grantor as a result of such damage. As used in this Easement, any reference to Grantor's equipment or facilities shall include any equipment or facilities owned by

third parties that are lawfully located on the Grantor's Land, whether by easement, license, lease, or otherwise.

- 7. <u>Abandonment</u>. If Grantee ceases to use the Easement for a period of one year, this Easement shall terminate thirty (30) days thereafter. Upon termination Grantee shall remove its Pipeline and restore the land as near as possible to its condition prior to Grantee's entry thereon; or, with Grantor's prior written permission, leave all or a portion of its Pipeline in place and relinquish all right, title, and interest to the Pipeline to Grantor. In the event Grantee should leave its Pipeline in place, Grantee shall nevertheless continue to indemnify Grantor as provided in paragraph 6.
- 8. <u>Taxes and Assessments</u>. Grantee shall pay all taxes and assessments of any kind which shall be levied against the Easement by reason of Grantee's use or occupancy thereof, except those being contested in good faith, and shall keep the Easement free from any liens that may attach thereto by reason of Grantee's use or occupancy thereof.
- 9. <u>Litigation Expense</u>. If any suit or action arising out of or related to this Easement is brought by any party, the prevailing party or parties shall be entitled to recover the costs and fees (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, the fees and costs of experts and consultants, copying, courier and telecommunication costs, and deposition costs and all other costs of discovery) incurred by such party or parties in such suit or action, including, without limitation, any post-trial or appellate proceeding, or in the collection or enforcement of any judgment or award entered or made in such suit or action.
- 10. <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by law, each of the parties hereto waives any right it may have to a trial by jury in respect of litigation directly or indirectly arising out of, under or in connection with this agreement. Each party further waives any right to consolidate any action in which a jury trial has been waived with any other action in which a jury trial cannot be or has not been waived.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Easement shall be dated and effective upon the date of the last signature below:

Grantor:	Grantee:
PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation	Huntington Cleveland Irrigation Company, a non-profit mutual irrigation company
Ву:	organized under the laws of the State of Utah
Its:	Ву:
Dated:	Its:
	Dated:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF		
COUNTY OF) ss)	5.
On this	day ofwh	, 2016, personally appeared before mo
	Non-Exclusive P	no being by me duly sworn, did say that he/she is the lf of PacifiCorp , an Oregon corporation , and that the ipeline Easement Agreement was signed on behalf or
		Notary Public
		My commission expires:
STATE OF UTAH		NOWLEDGMENT
COUNTY OF)	
On this	day of , wh	, 2016, personally appeared before me no being by me duly sworn, did say that he/she is the
signer of the within in non-profit mutual irr that the within and fore	nstrument on beh rigation company egoing Non-Exclu	alf of Huntington Cleveland Irrigation Company, a y organized under the laws of the State of Utah, and sive Pipeline Easement Agreement was signed on behal pany by actual authority.
		Notary Public
		My commission expires:

Exhibit "A" Description of Grantor's Land

County Parcel No. U3-0058-0005 [PacifiCorp Parcel No UTEM-0036]

Township 17 South, Range 9 East, SLB&M

Section 9: S/N 9-300-55 (232) #9534 XREF 5132 N/4 NE/4, ALSO BEG SW COR: E 1120 FT; N0°51'49"W 855.62 FT TO CENTER OF N DITCH; N61°09'5 7"W 135.9 FT; N60°21'14"W 101.96 FT; N76°30'09"W 111.74 FT ALONG DITCH; S7°15'28" W 185.56 FT; S89°50'57"W 800 FT M/L TO SEC LINE; S0°54'55"W 809.8 FT TO BEG. (63.37 ACRES)

County Parcel No. U3-0065-0022 [PacifiCorp Parcel No UTEM-0036]

Township 17 South, Range 9 East, SLB&M

Section 16: S/N 9-300-55 (232) #6408 XREF 5132 N/2 NE/4, S., ALSO BEG NW COR, NW/4 NW/4; E 1120 FT; S 289.58 FT; E 200 FT; S 370.42 FT; W 1320 FT; N 660 FT TO BEG. (100.91 ACRES)

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County Parcel No. U3-0058-0005 [PacifiCorp Parcel No UTEM-0036] Township 17 South, Range 9 East, SLB&M

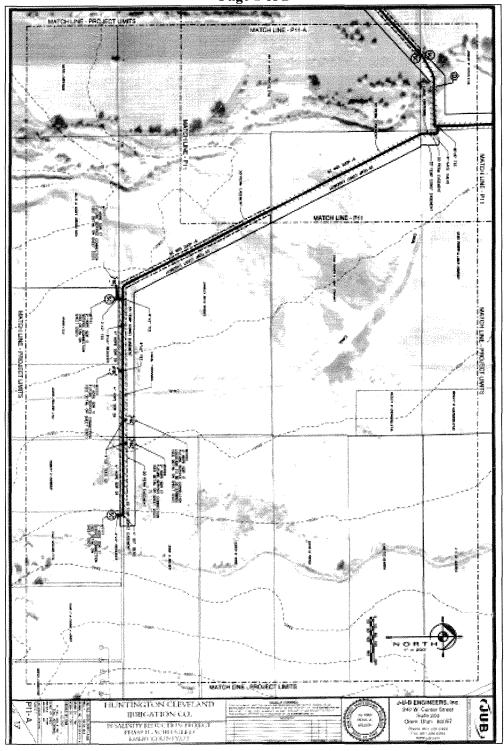
Section 9: Beginning from a point on the South line of the GRANTOR's property, said point lying East 15 feet, more or less, from the Southwest corner of said GRANTOR's property; running thence North 77 feet, more or less, to the a point in the GRANTOR's property said point lying North 77 feet, more or less, and East 15 feet, more or less from the Southwest corner of said GRANTOR's property.

County Parcel No. U3-0065-0022 [PacifiCorp Parcel No UTEM-0036]

Township 17 South, Range 9 East, SLB&M

Section 16: Beginning from a point on the North line of the GRANTOR's property, said point lying East 15 feet, more or less, from the Northwest corner of said GRANTOR's property; running thence Southeasterly 741 feet, more or less, to the South line of the GRANTOR's property said point lying East 340 feet, more or less from the Southwest corner of said GRANTOR's property.

Exhibit "B"
Description of Easement
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VERIFICATION

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I, Jeffery B. Erb, am Assistant General Counsel of Pacific Power and am authorized to make this verification on its behalf. Based on my personal knowledge about the attached Non-Exclusive Pipeline Easement Agreement, I verify that the Non-Exclusive Pipeline Easement Agreement is a true and accurate copy of the original.

I declare upon the penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 8, 2016 at Portland, Oregon.

Jeffery B, Erb

Assistant General Counsel Pacific Power

Subscribed and sworn to me on this goday of February, 2016.

My Commission expires: November 12,2018

