

November 9, 2016

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Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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RE: Major Event Report—October 9, 2016

Pacific Power & Light Company (Pacific Power or Company), a division of PacifiCorp, is claiming major event exclusion for the outages that affected its Sunnyside service area on October 9, 2016.

The basis for exclusion is the number of customers affected and the damage that occurred to the Company's facilities in each event. Please find attached the details regarding the major event including costs incurred, restoration resources, number of customers off supply, customer minutes lost, and SAIDI, SAIFI, and MAIFI figures.

The Company will exclude outage information for this event from its network performance reporting and from customer guarantee failure payments.

Please direct any informal inquiries regarding this filing to Ariel Son, Manager, Regulatory Projects, at (503) 813-5410.

Sincerely,

R. Bryce Dalley

Vice President, Regulation

**Enclosures** 

## Report to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

# **Electric Service Reliability - Major Event Report**

Event Date: October 9, 2016

Date Submitted: November 9, 2016

Primary Affected Locations: Sunnyside

Primary Cause: Pole Fire/Loss in Transmission

Exclude from Reporting Status: Yes

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## **Event Description**

On October 9, 2016, Sunnyside, Washington experienced a system average interruption frequency index-driven (SAIFI)-based major event when a fire occurred at the distribution underbuild of a 115 kV transmission pole. The outage affected 6,398¹ customers; approximately 26 percent of the Sunnyside operating area's customers. The initial outage from the pole fire affected 299 customers on a single distribution feed, however the transmission system operated to clear a fault condition and Sunnyside Substation was de-energized dropping feeds to six circuits serving 6,099 customers. The 6,099 customers affected by the transmission line were restored in 9 minutes, while the remaining 299 customers who were affected by the damaged distribution equipment were out for durations ranging from 4 hours 15 minutes to 17 hours 58 minutes.

Event Outage Sur	nmary
# Interruptions (sustained)	14
Total Customer Interrupted (sustained)	7,904
<b>Total Customer Minutes Lost</b>	543,569
State Event SAIDI	4.08 Minutes
CAIDI	69
Major Event Start	10/9/16 12:00 AM
Major Event End	10/10/16 12:00 AM

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A SAIFI-based major event threshold (as identified in PacifiCorp's reporting plan, pursuant to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-100-393 & 398 Electric Reliability Annual Monitoring and Reporting Plan) is defined as an event in which more than 10% of an operating area's customers are simultaneously without service as a result of a sustained interruption. Sunnyside operating area's Calendar 2016 Frozen Customer Count is 24,317 customers.

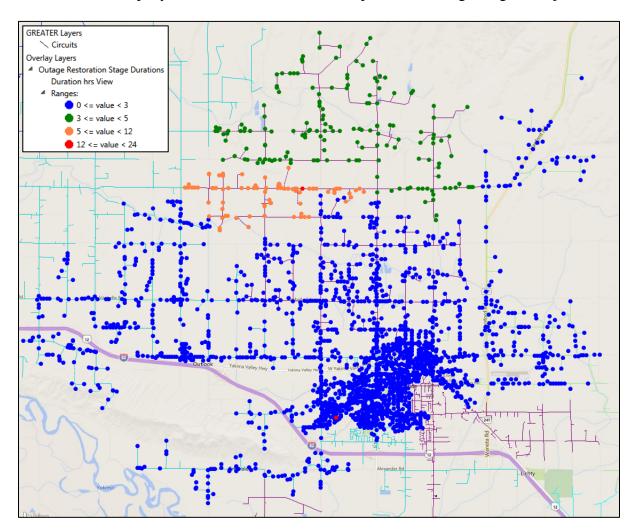
### **Restoration Summary**

On the evening of October 9, 2016, Sunnyside, Washington experienced several pole fire outages. At 8:18 pm a pole supporting both transmission and distribution circuits experienced a pole fire which burned the pole in half. The top half of the pole dropped into a distribution transformer bank, operating circuit breaker 5Y314 at the Sunnyside Substation; subsequently, at 9:50 pm, the transmission source experienced a fault event due to the same pole fire described above, de-energizing feeds into Sunnyside substation. Personnel quickly rerouted feeds for the substation restoring power in just 9 minutes.

Repairs and restorations to the other damaged distribution lines took slightly longer, since reconstruction of several poles was required. The transformer bank pole was removed due to the extensive fire damage, a new pole was set, and hardware attached. During the repair process alternate feeds were employed to restore power to as many customers as possible, however 229 customers were impacted for the entire duration of the repair. There were a variety of pole repairs made at other locations affecting a small number of customers.

A total of 29 employees took part in the restoration efforts that evening, replacing four poles, five insulators, 16 crossarms, and two transformers. The below graphic shows the customer affected by the pole fire, by their restoration stage and outage duration.

There were no company or commission customer complaints made regarding the major event.



### **Restoration Intervals**

Total Customer Sustained		< 3 Hrs.	3 - 24 Hrs.	24+ Hrs.
7,90	4	6,125	1,779	0

### **Restoration Resources**

Personnel	
General Help	3
Estimators	1
General Foremen	1
Journeymen	24

Materials	
Crossarms	16
Insulators	5
Cutouts	8
Transmission Poles	3
Distribution Poles	1
Pole mounted transformers	2

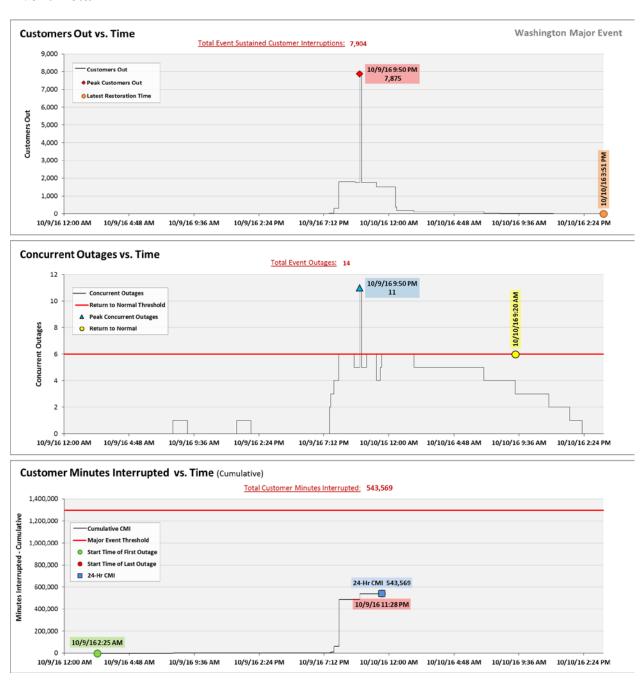
# **State Estimated Major Event Costs**

Estimate \$	Labor	Material	Contract Resources	Total
Capital	\$28,000	\$21,000	\$5,900	\$54,900
Expense	\$42,000	\$16,000	\$18,000	\$76,000
Total	\$70,000	\$37,000	\$23,900	\$130,900

# **Major Event Declaration**

Pacific Power is requesting designation of this event and its consequences to be classified as a "Major Event" for exclusion from underlying network performance reporting. This major event exceeded the company's current Washington system average interruption frequency index-driven (SAIFI) threshold of 10% total operating area customers served sustained interruptions (6,398 customers interrupted out of 24,317 Sunnyside operating area customers, or 26% of the operating area customers) simultaneously in a 24-hour period.

### **Event Detail**



# SAIDI, SAIFI, CAIDI by Reliability Reporting Region

Please see the attached system-generated reports.

Date

**Data as/of** 11/2/2016

Fiscal Year FY2017

 Month Begin
 10/1/2016

 Month End
 10/31/2016

 Year Begin
 1/1/2016

 Year End
 10/31/2016

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**State** Sunnyside

Comments: Tag filed

# PacifiCorp Major Event Report Customer Analysis

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WA	SUNNYSIDE	7,904	33%	543,569	14	24,317		6,125	1,779	-	-	-	-	77%	22.35	0.325	69

<sup>\*</sup>Only current event specific metric impact shown. Does not include values from other events which may have occurred in other regions during the same time period.

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# PacifiCorp Major Event Report SSC by State Analysis

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WA	SUNNYSIDE	4.08	0.059	69				4.75	0.062	77	0.67	0.002	273	35.78	0.387	93	12.54	0.090	139
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