[Service Date April 23, 2015]

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,) DOCKET UE-144160)
Complainant,)) ORDER 02
V.)
) PREHEARING CONFERENCE
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT) ORDER; NOTICE OF HEARING
COMPANY,) (Set for August 14, 2015, at
) 1:30 p.m.)
Respondent.)
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- NATURE OF PROCEEDING. On December 29, 2014, Pacific Power & Light Company (Pacific Power or Company) filed a tariff revision with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) updating its avoided cost tariff, Schedule 37. The Commission suspended operation of the tariffs on February 12, 2015, by Order 01 entered in this docket.
- CONFERENCE. The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) convened a prehearing conference in this docket at Olympia, Washington on April 23, 2015, before Administrative Law Judge Dennis J. Moss.
- 3 APPEARANCES. Dustin Till, Senior Counsel, Pacific Power, Portland, Oregon, represents the Company. Irion Sanger, Sanger Law, P.C., Portland, Oregon, represents Renewable Energy Coalition. Tyler C. Pepple, Davison Van Cleve, Portland, Oregon, represents Boise White Paper LLC. Christopher M. Casey, Assistant Attorney General, Olympia, Washington, represents the Commission's regulatory staff (Staff).¹ Contact information provided at the conference for the parties' representatives is attached as Appendix A to this order.

¹ In formal proceedings, such as this, the Commission's regulatory staff participates like any other party, while the Commissioners make the decision. To assure fairness, the Commissioners, the presiding administrative law judge, and the Commissioners' policy and accounting advisors do not discuss the merits of this proceeding with the regulatory staff, or any other party, without giving notice and opportunity for all parties to participate. *See*, RCW 34.05.455.

- 4 **PETITIONS FOR INTERVENTION.** Renewable Energy Coalition and Boise White Paper LLC filed in writing petitions to intervene in this docket. No party objected to their petitions for intervention. The Commission finds each of the petitioners has established a substantial interest in this proceeding and that its participation will be in the public interest. The petitions to intervene are granted.
- AGREEMENT TO ELECTRONIC SERVICE. The Commission would prefer to serve only electronic copies of documents in this docket. A party who does not agree to service only of electronic copies must provide notice to the Commission by April 30, 2015. Otherwise, agreement is presumed.
- 6 DISCOVERY. Discovery will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's discovery rules, WAC 480-07-400 425. The Commission urges the parties to work cooperatively together to avoid having to bring discovery matters forward for formal resolution.
- 7 **PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE.** The parties agreed on a procedural schedule during the conference. The Commission adopts this procedural schedule, which is attached to this Order as Appendix B.
- 8 **NOTICE OF HEARING.** The Commission will hold a hearing, allowing for oral argument on stipulated facts in this matter, on **August 14, 2015, at 1:30 p.m.,** in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.
- 9 DOCUMENT PREPARATION AND FILING REQUIREMENTS. Parties must file an original plus one copy of all pleadings, motions, briefs, and other prefiled materials. These materials must conform to the format and publication guidelines in WAC 480-07-395 and WAC 480-07-460. The Commission prefers that materials be three-hole punched with *oversized* holes to allow easy handling. The Commission may require a party to refile any document that fails to conform to these standards.

- All filings must be mailed or delivered to the Executive Director and Secretary,
 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S.
 Evergreen Park Drive, S.W. Olympia, Washington 98504-7250. Both the post office
 box and street address are required to expedite deliveries by the U.S. Postal Service.
- An electronic copy of all filings must be provided through the Commission's Web Portal (www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing) or by e-mail delivery to <<u>records@utc.wa.gov</u>>. Alternatively, parties may furnish an electronic copy by delivering with each filing a flash drive, DVD, or CD including the filed document(s). Parties must furnish electronic copies in MS Word 6.0 (or later) supplemented by a separate file in .pdf (Adobe Acrobat) format except as otherwise provided in this order or the Commission's procedural rules. Parties must follow WAC 480-07-140(5) in organizing and identifying electronic files.
- 12 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS. Parties must submit documents electronically to the Commission on the filing deadline established in the procedural schedule and must file an original, plus one paper copy of the documents with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. on the first business day following the filing deadline as provided in WAC 480-07-145(6). Parties may submit documents electronically through the Commission's Web Portal (www.utc.wa.gov/efiling) or by e-mail to records@utc.wa.gov. Finally, to perfect filing, parties must simultaneously serve the other parties and provide e-mail courtesy copies of filings to the presiding administrative law judge (dmoss@utc.wa.gov).
- 13 ALTERNATE DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The Commission supports the informal settlement of matters before it. Parties are encouraged to consider means of resolving disputes informally. The Commission does have limited ability to provide dispute resolution services; if you wish to explore those services, please call the Director, Administrative Law Division, at 360-664-1355.

14 NOTICE TO PARTIES: A party who objects to any portion of this Order must file a written objection within ten (10) calendar days after the service date of this Order, pursuant to WAC 480-07-430 and WAC 480-07-810. The service date appears on the first page of the order in the upper right-hand corner. Absent such objection, this Order will control further proceedings in this matter, subject to Commission review.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective April 23, 2015.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DENNIS J. MOSS Administrative Law Judge

APPENDIX A

PARTIES' REPRESENTATIVES DOCKET UE-144160

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APPENDIX B

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE DOCKET UE-144160

EVENT	DATE
Joint Motion to Admit Documents Constituting Stipulated Facts	May 7, 2015
Pacific Power Filing of Policy Declaration in the Form of Sworn Statements	June 12, 2015
Staff and Intervenors File Responsive Policy Declarations in the Form of Sworn Statements	July 14, 2015
Rebuttal and Cross-Answering Policy Declarations	July 24, 2015
Hearing	August 14, 2015
Initial Briefs, if necessary	September 11, 2015
Reply Briefs, if necessary	October 7, 2015
Suspension Date	November 29, 2015