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Steven V. King
Acting Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
P. O. Box 47250
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RE: WUTC v. PacifiCorp

Docket UE-130043

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is Public Counsel's Response to PacifiCorp's Motion to Withdraw Tariff Filling. An Original and 13 copies are being provided.

An electronic copy of this filing has been provided to the Records Center and all parties listed on the current service list. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

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Sincerely,

LISA W. GAFKEN

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cc: Parties (E-mail and First Class Mail)

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

DOCKET UE-130043

v.

PACIFICORP D/B/A PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,

Respondent.

PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO PACIFICORP'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW TARIFF FILING

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Pursuant to the Commission's Notice Setting Time for Filing Responses to Motion to Withdraw Tariff Filing, dated July 12, 2013, Public Counsel submits the following Response.

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PacifiCorp, in its Motion to Withdraw Tariff Filing, requests that it be permitted to withdraw certain testimony associated with proposed changes to its Schedule 300 and Rule 6. The Company states that it proposes withdrawing these tariff revisions so it can gather additional data and analysis demonstrating actual costs of Schedule 300/Rule 6 services to inform future revisions to tariffs. PacifiCorp conditions its withdrawal on the termination of all litigation in this matter on issues related to Schedule 300 and Rule 6. In particular, PacifiCorp requests that issues raised by Columbia REA be considered in another proceeding to be filed at an undefined future time.

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Public Counsel does not object to PacifiCorp's withdrawal of the proposed changes to Schedule 300 and Rule 6. Public Counsel opposed all Company-proposed modifications to Schedule 300 fees on the basis that the Company had not supported its request with evidence in

the record on the actual costs associated with these fees. Thus, withdrawing the proposed changes produces a result that is consistent with Public Counsel's recommendation.

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Public Counsel would also not be opposed to the Commission considering the issues raised by Columbia REA in this docket, but we would urge that issues relating to reconnection fees and unauthorized reconnection / tampering be dismissed pursuant to PacifiCorp's request. If the issues raised by Columbia REA are to be heard in a separate proceeding, it would be beneficial to have an anticipated timeframe for PacifiCorp's information gathering initiative and for filing of its proposed Schedule 300 changes.

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Dated this 18th day of July, 2013.

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of *Public Counsel's Response to PacifiCorp's Motion to Withdraw Tariff Filing* was sent to each of the parties of record shown below in sealed envelopes, via: U.S. Mail and E-Mail.

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