

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Request of	)	DOCKET UE-081811
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PACIFICORP, D/B/A PACIFIC	)	ORDER 01
POWER & LIGHT,	)	
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Petitioner,	)	
	)	ORDER GRANTING LESS THAN
For Less Than Statutory Notice in	)	STATUTORY NOTICE; ALLOWING
Connection with Tariff Revision	)	TARIFF REVISION
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**BACKGROUND**

- 1 On October 6, 2008, PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power & Light, (PacifiCorp or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a revision to its currently effective Tariff WN U-74, designated as Schedule 98, Adjustment Associated with the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act. This filing reinstates the Residential Exchange Program of the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). This program passes the benefits of the federal power system to the residential and small farm customers of the investor-owned utilities.
- 2 [RCW 80.28.060](#) and [WAC 480-80-121](#) require thirty days' notice to customers prior to the effective date of the tariff. The tariff sheet bears an effective date of November 5, 2008. This date recognizes the required 30-day statutory notice. The Company requests, however, less than statutory notice as permitted by [WAC 480-80-122](#), and that the revision becomes effective November 1, 2008. PacifiCorp requests less than statutory notice to resume the credit to customer bills commensurate with the receipt of benefits from the BPA.
- 3 The tariff revision requested in this present docket reduces customer rates; therefore the Company may provide customer notice of the tariff revision by posting notice on the Company's Web site and by providing information about the tariff revision by telephone and by mail in compliance with WAC 480-100-193 and -195(3).
- 4 PacifiCorp's determination of the level of benefits available to its Washington customers is appropriately calculated and its proposal to recoup the overpayment of prior residential exchange benefits to its customers over one year is reasonable. The net benefit to an

average PacifiCorp customer is \$3.31 per month, or about 3.6 percent.

5 Since the proposed tariff revision appears to be fair, just, reasonable and sufficient, and less than statutory notice is consistent with the public interest, it is appropriate that the Commission grant PacifiCorp's request with an effective date of November 1, 2008.

### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 6 (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate the rates, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, transfers of property and affiliated interests of public service companies, including electric companies. [RCW 80.01.040](#), [RCW 80.04](#), [RCW 80.08](#), [RCW 80.12](#), [RCW 80.16](#) and [RCW 80.28](#).
- 7 (2) PacifiCorp is an electric company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
- 8 (3) PacifiCorp is subject to [RCW 80.28.060](#) and [WAC 480-80-121](#), which require electric companies to file changes in any rate, charge or service with thirty days' notice. For good cause shown, however, the Commission may allow changes without requiring thirty days' notice by order specifying the changes to be made and the time when the Order shall take effect. [WAC 480-80-122](#).
- 9 (4) Staff has reviewed PacifiCorp's request in Docket UE-081811 and recommends the Commission grant the Company's request for less than statutory notice.
- 10 (5) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on October 8, 2008.
- 11 (6) After reviewing PacifiCorp's proposed tariff revision filed on October 6, 2008 and giving due consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission finds the proposed tariff revision should become effective November 1, 2008.

**ORDER**

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

- 12 (1) PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power & Light's request for less than statutory notice is granted.
- 13 (2) The tariff revision PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power & Light filed on October 6, 2008 will be effective on November 1, 2008.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Executive Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October 8, 2008.

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

MARK H. SIDRAN, Chairman

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner

PHILIP B. JONES, Commissioner