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RE: Docket UE-220359: Transportation Electrification Plan Progress Report

PacifiCorp dba Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp) submitted its first Washington Transportation Electrification (TE) Plan, in accordance with RCW 80.28.365, on May 20, 2022. The Company continued to engage with Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) Staff, customers, stakeholders, and industry partners to further refine its approach to addressing the rapidly evolving transportation electrification sector. That work resulted in refinement to the plan as originally submitted and an addendum was filed September 28, 2022. The Commission issued a letter acknowledging the PacifiCorp TE Plan on October 27, 2022.

Following this, PacifiCorp shared with stakeholders and filed applications for the following three programs:

- **Outreach and Education Program.** Outreach and education to customers in its Washington service area through a variety of avenues: online tools, customer communication, EV education at schools, ride and drive events, dealership engagement, technical assistance and workforce development.
- **Communities Grant Program.** This program would broaden the previous grant program by allowing for multiple grant project types to apply as long as benefits accrue within named communities. The overall goal is to provide exploratory grants that will help to plan, promote, or deploy electric transportation technology and projects within Named Communities. In addition, funds will also be allocated to support grant writing assistance for customers as they pursue additional funding opportunities through state and federal funding.
- **Managing Charging Pilot Program.** The proposed Residential Managed Charging Pilot (Pilot) aims to enroll owners of electric vehicles (EV's) and offer them ongoing financial incentives in exchange for the access to remotely control their vehicle's charging over a three-year period from 2024 to 2026. This "managed" charging of enrolled EVs can push the load to less critical, off-peak times of the day and can also respond to peak grid or localized system events, similar to demand response (DR) programs.

These programs and pilot applications shared detailed information of the proposed design and concepts to be implemented in 2024¹. Informal stakeholder feedback was provided on these applications and incorporated into the drafts before filing on July 14, 2023. On August 18, 2023, Staff provided further guidance on the applications and how PacifiCorp should proceed with the programs and pilots discussed above.

PacifiCorp began working on scopes of work and a request for proposal document to support these activities in Washington. The managed charging request for proposal was filed under docket UE-230722² as an informational filing on September 9, 2023, outlining the request for proposal document and anticipated timeline for vendor award.

PacifiCorp has laid out launch schedules for both the communities grant program and technical assistance program for commercial customers. Both are planned to be launched by Q2 of 2024. PacifiCorp is also developing a scope of work for a new comprehensive suite of outreach and educational services that will support Washington customers with understanding the benefits of electric transportation, easier and more accessible online tools, more comprehensive dealership engagement activities, strategies to support workforce development and continued implementation of ride and drive events through the Washington service area. Also included in this scope of services, in a more targeted and strategic marketing and outreach plan for customers regarding service offerings and driving participation in programs.

No expenses and revenues have resulted from activities to date as programs are still under development. Expenses are anticipated to be incurred in 2024 related to the Washington TE Plan activities. PacifiCorp will be providing the interim report in Q4 of 2025 to the Commission.

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Sincerely,

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¹ UE-220359. PacifiCorp (2023). Redacted Managed Charging Program, Communities Grant Program and Outreach and Education Program. [UTC Case Docket Document Sets | UTC \(wa.gov\)](#)

² UE-230722. PacifiCorp (2023). Information Filing of the Company's Request for Proposal for Residential Electric Vehicle Managed Charging Pilot Program. [UTC Case Docket Document Sets | UTC \(wa.gov\)](#)