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June 4, 2024

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR AMICUS BRIEFING
AND
NOTICE OF REVISED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company*,
Docket UE-230877

TO ALL PARTIES:

On October 24, 2023, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revised tariff sheets to its WN U-76 tariff. The Company proposes to modify Rule 4 of its General Rules and Regulations – Application for Electric Service, Section H – Limitation of Liability. The tariff sheets had an effective date of November 27, 2023.¹

On November 13, 2023, the Company filed revised tariff sheets extending the effective date to December 29, 2023.

On December 22, 2023, the Commission issued Order 01 suspending the November 13, 2023, tariff filing and requiring briefing to determine the legal question of whether the Company's proposal is authorized by statute and, if so, whether the proposal is consistent with the public interest.

On February 15, 2024, the Commission issued Order 03, Prehearing Conference Order; Notice of

¹ *Wash. Utils & Transp. Comm'n v. Pac. Power & Light Co.*, Docket 230877, Tariff Filing, Tariff Sheets for WN U-76 (October 24, 2023).

Hearing, which established a procedural schedule. The procedural schedule established dates for the Company to submit its Initial Brief by March 8, 2024, for Public Counsel and Commission Staff (Staff) to submit Response Briefs by May 3, 2024, and for the Company to submit its Reply Brief by May 23, 2024. The procedural schedule also established a date of June 27, 2024, for oral argument on the briefs, if deemed necessary.

However, upon further review of this matter and its effect upon the utility companies and ratepayers alike, the Commission believes it is in the public interest to develop the record more fully in this proceeding and to allow for additional input from interested persons on the issues this case raises. Therefore, the Commission now requests and establishes a time by which interested persons may submit amicus briefs on the legal question of whether a proposed tariff similar to the Company's is authorized by statute and, if so, whether such proposed tariff is consistent with the public interest. Amicus briefs are due by June 18, 2024.

Additionally, the Commission now establishes a new date of August 1, 2024, at 9 a.m. for the oral argument, if deemed necessary. None of the parties objected to amending the procedural schedule to allow for the filing of amicus briefs. An amended procedural schedule is attached to this Notice. The Commission will issue a separate Notice for the Oral Argument should it be deemed necessary.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That any Amicus Briefs must be filed no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18, 2024.

THE COMMISSION FURTHER GIVES NOTICE That any oral argument in this docket will be held on August 1, 2024, if deemed necessary.

/s/ James E. Brown II
JAMES E. BROWN II
Administrative Law Judge

**AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
DOCKET UE-230877**

EVENT	DATE
Initial Brief by the Company	Friday, March 8, 2024
Response Briefs from Public Counsel and Staff	Friday, May 3, 2024
Company Reply Brief	Thursday, May 23, 2024
Notice Issued for Public Comment Hearing	30 days prior to Public Comment Hearing
Public Comment Hearing	Thursday, June 13, 2024
Amicus Briefs	Tuesday, June 18, 2024
Prefiled Exhibits	Thursday, June 20, 2024
Oral Argument (if deemed necessary.)	Thursday, August 1, 2024
Statutory Suspension Date	October 29, 2024