

**Exh. JNS-4
Docket UE-210829
Witness: Jaclynn N. Simmons**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

**PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER
& LIGHT COMPANY,**

Respondent.

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EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

JACLYNN N. SIMMONS

**ON BEHALF OF STAFF OF
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

PacifiCorp Response to UTC Staff Data Request No. 9

August 21, 2024

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All Source RFPs: With the 2022 AS RFP being terminated, please explain in detail what processes are currently being taken to procure the resources that were identified in the 2022 AS RFP. Please provide details on the specific resources being procured through each applicable process.

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PacifiCorp's 2022 All Source Request for Proposals (2022AS RFP) process was terminated in the solicitation of resources step. No resources were "identified" or chosen as short-list resources. However, PacifiCorp's 2023 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) and the 2023 IRP Update identified battery resources in the preferred portfolio, and the Company has a near-term need for additional capacity resources. Bilateral negotiations of battery resources that can reach a commercial operation date (COD) by mid-year 2026 are actively being pursued.

Battery storage resources have a relatively high capacity contribution and provide large reliability benefits relative to their cost. Battery storage resources also have relatively short lead times and can achieve CODs in mid-year 2026. Contracting for other resources could negatively impact credit metrics without providing the same degree of capacity and reliability benefits as battery storage. Similarly, contracting for resources with later CODs, as contemplated in the design of the approved 2022AS RFP, would impact credit metrics without contributing to near-term capacity and reliability requirements.

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