

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1209

In the Matter of	)	
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MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS	)	
COMPANY	)	RULING
	)	
Application for Authorization to Acquire	)	
Pacific Power & Light, dba PacifiCorp.	)	

**DISPOSITION: PETITIONS TO INTERVENE CONDITIONALLY GRANTED**

On August 29, 2005, the Public Power Council (PPC) filed a petition to intervene, stating it has an interest in the outcome of this proceeding as a trade association of Northwest public utilities that rely on PacifiCorp's transmission services, border PacifiCorp's service territories, and work with PacifiCorp on a variety of matters. Also on August 29, 2005, the Utility Reform Project (URP) and Nancy Newell filed a joint petition to intervene, arguing that URP represents its members, several of whom are PacifiCorp ratepayers. Ms. Newell is also a PacifiCorp ratepayer and so has an interest in how the acquisition will affect her power service and rates. These parties have knowledge and expertise that will assist the Commission in resolving the issues presented in this proceeding. The parties assert that their participation in this proceeding will not unduly broaden the issues or burden the record.

The Petitions are conditionally granted. Any person wishing to contest a Petition may do so within 10 days of service of the Petition. If no person contests these Petitions, this decision shall be final.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 1st day of September, 2005.

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Christina M. Smith  
Administrative Law Judge