ISSUED: August 2, 2010

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

LC 47

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER

RULING

2008 Integrated Resource Plan.

DISPOSITION: DUE DATE FOR WIND INTEGRATION STUDY EXTENDED

On February 24, 2010, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) entered Order No. 10-066 in the above captioned docket. Order No. 10-066 acknowledged the 2008 Integrated Resource Plan (2008 IRP) of PacificOrp, dba Pacific Power (Pacific Power or Company). As part of Order No. 10-066, the Commission required Pacific Power to: "[b]y August 2, 2010, complete a wind integration study that has been veted by stakeholders through public participation process." *Re 2008 Integrated Resource Plan*, Docket LC 47, Order No. 10-066 (Feb. 24, 2010).

Pursuant to this direction, Pacific Power initiated a public participation process with stakeholders to discuss the general framework and methodology for the wind integration study. The Company provided a draft 2010 Wind Integration Study methodology paper on April 16, 2010, and held another public meeting to discuss the study on April 28, 2010. A revised draft of the 2010 Wind Integration Study methodology paper was issued on April 23, 2010. Another draft was issued on May 19, 2010.

By motion filed on July 15, 2010, Pacific Power requests the Commission to amend Order No. 10-066 to modify the date required for completion of a wind integration study from August 2, 2010 to September 1, 2010. Pacific Power represents that the additional time will facilitate more stakeholder review time. Stakeholders have expressed concern that more time is needed. Pacific Power plans to summarize the study status at the Company's next IRP public input meeting, scheduled for August 4, 2010. Pacific Power also indicates that additional time will provide the Company the time to investigate and validate modeling results and to refine the final wind integration study. Pacific Power represents that its motion to amend Order No. 10-066 is supported by Commission Staff, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon, the Renewable Northwest

Project, and the Oregon Department of Energy. Pacific Power observes, however, that the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU) reserved the right to oppose the motion.

No party, including ICNU, opposed the motion within the required timeline. As such, pursuant to OAR 860-012-0035(h), I find it appropriate to provide additional time for the review and refinement of Pacific Power's wind integration study. Pacific Power is directed to file a completed wind integration study by September 1, 2010, instead of August 2, 2010.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2010, at Salem, Oregon.

Traci A. G. Kirkpatrick Administrative Law Judge