ISSUED: March 1, 2017

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1610

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON,

Investigation Into Qualifying Facility Contracting and Pricing.

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM AND RULING

DISPOSITION: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULED SUSPENDED; PACIFICORP TO FILE MOTION TO DISMISS BY MARCH 15, 2017

On March 1, 2017, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a prehearing conference in this docket. Representatives appeared on behalf of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power; Portland General Electric Company; Idaho Power Company; Community Renewable Energy Association (CREA); Renewable Energy Coalition (the Coalition); Oregon Department of Energy; and Commission Staff.

RULING

After a lengthy discussion regarding a discovery dispute among the parties, PacifiCorp made an oral motion to suspend the procedural schedule pending its filing of a motion to close the docket by March 15, 2017. No party objected to PacifiCorp's motion. I granted the motion, thereby suspending the procedural schedule and directing PacifiCorp to file its motion to dismiss by March 15, 2017, with other parties having the opportunity to respond under OAR 860-001-0400. In so doing, I declare the motion by CREA and the Coalition asking to modify the procedural schedule to be moot.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2017, at Salem, Oregon.

Traci A. G. Kirkpatrick

Administrative Law Judge