

ITEM NO. CA20

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
AHD REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: December 16, 2014**

**REGULAR** \_\_\_\_\_ **CONSENT**   X   **EFFECTIVE DATE** \_\_\_\_\_ **N/A**

**DATE:** December 11, 2014

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

**FROM:** Diane Davis

**THROUGH:** Michael Grant, Lori Koho, and Paul Birkeland

**SUBJECT:** OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS DIVISION: (Docket No. AR 585) Adopt permanent rule changes to OAR 860-024-0017, Vegetation Pruning Standards.

**AHD RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt the rule modifications as proposed.

**DISCUSSION:**

This rulemaking updates from 2001 to 2008 the adopted edition of the American National Standard for Tree Care Operations, ANSI A300 (Part 1). PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, was the only commenter, and its comments supported the update.

**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Adopt the modifications to 860-024-0017 as set forth in Appendix A of the attached draft order.

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

AR 585

In the Matter of Rulemaking to Update  
ANSI Edition Adopted in Vegetation  
Pruning Standards.

ORDER

DISPOSITION: MODIFICATIONS TO RULE ADOPTED

**I. INTRODUCTION**

In this order, we adopt changes to OAR 860-024-0017 to update from the 2001 edition to the most recent edition of the American National Standard for Tree Care Operations, ANSI A300 (Part 1), which was approved May 1, 2008 by the American National Standards Institute.

**II. PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

On October 14, 2014, we filed a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Statement of Need and Fiscal Impact for this rulemaking with the Secretary of State. On that same day, we provided notice to all interested persons on the service lists established under OAR 860-001-0030(1)(b) and to legislators specified in ORS 183.335(1)(d). Notice of the rulemaking was published in the November 2014 *Oregon Bulletin*. The notice established a comment due date of November 25, 2014. PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power filed comments agreeing with updating the rule. No other written comments or requests for hearing were received.

**III. ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The modifications to OAR 860-024-0017, as shown in Appendix A, are adopted.

2. The rule changes become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Made, entered, and effective \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Susan K. Ackerman**  
Chair

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**John Savage**  
Commissioner

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**Stephen M. Bloom**  
Commissioner

A person may petition the Public Utility Commission of Oregon for the amendment or repeal of a rule under ORS 183.390. A person may petition the Oregon Court of Appeals to determine the validity of a rule under ORS 183.400.

**860-024-0017**

**Vegetation Pruning Standards**

An operator that is an electric utility as defined in ORS 758.505 ~~shall~~must perform tree and vegetation work associated with line clearance in compliance with the American National Standard for Tree Care Operations, ANSI A300 (Part 1)-~~2001~~2008 Pruning, approved ~~May 22, 2001~~May 1, 2008, by the American National Standards Institute.

[~~Publications:~~ Publications referenced are available ~~from~~for review at the Commission.]

Stat. Auth.: ORS ~~Ch.~~ Ch. 756, ~~ORS~~ 757, & ~~ORS~~ 758

Stats. Implemented: ~~HB 2493~~ & ORS 757.035, 758.280-758.286

Hist.: PUC 16-2002, f. & cert. ef. 6-14-02