

June 4, 2021

***VIA ELECTRONIC FILING***Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Attn: Filing Center  
201 High Street SE, Suite 100  
Salem, OR 97301-3398**RE: Advice 21-012 / UM 2163—Schedule 272 – Renewable Energy Rider Optional Bulk Purchase Option Compliance Filing**

In compliance with ORS 757.205, ORS 757.210, OAR 860-022-0025, OAR 860-022-0030, OAR 860-027-0300(9), and Order 21-146, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (PacifiCorp or Company) submits for filing the following proposed tariff page associated with Tariff P.U.C. OR No. 36, which sets forth all rates, tolls, charges, rules, and regulations applicable to electric service in Oregon. The Company requests an effective date of June 11, 2021.

Sheet	Schedule/Rule	Title
Second Revision of Sheet No. 272-2	Schedule 272	Renewable Energy Rider Optional Bulk Purchase Option
Second Revision of Sheet No. 272-3	Schedule 272	Renewable Energy Rider Optional Bulk Purchase Option

In PacifiCorp's most recent general rate case, UE 374, the Commission directed Staff to conduct a review of Schedule 272 and propose near-term changes to the schedule pending an investigation into whether Schedule 272 should be considered a Voluntary Renewable Tariff (VRET). On May 11, 2021 the Commission issued Order No. 21-146 adopting Staff's recommendation with modifications. The purpose of this compliance filing is to add the temporary limitations adopted in the Order to Schedule 272. PacifiCorp proposes to add the following language to the schedule:

**Temporary Limitations**

For Schedule 272 individually negotiated agreements executed on or after January 1, 2021, there is a program cap of 175 aMW for individually negotiated agreements where Pacific Power has acquired or plans to acquire the underlying Power Purchase Agreement. Qualifying facilities are exempt from this cap.

The proposed changes reflect the components in the order that directly affect the participants in the Blue Sky Program. PacifiCorp acknowledges there are other requirements set forth in the Order that the Company is required to comply with. Consistent with the design of other tariffs, these requirements have not been included in the tariff.

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Please direct any informal inquiries regarding this filing to Cathie Allen, Regulatory Affairs Manager, at (503) 813-5934.

Sincerely,

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Shelley McCoy  
Director, Regulation

Enclosure

# **Proposed Tariffs**

**Renewable Energy Certificates (continued)**

- hydrogen derived from photovoltaic electrolysis or a non-hydrocarbon derivations process;
- pipeline or irrigation canal hydroelectric systems;
- wave or tidal action; and
- low emissions biomass based on digester methane gas from landfills, sewage treatment plants or animal waste and biomass energy based on solid organic fuels from wood, forest or field residues or dedicated crops that do not include wood pieces that have been treated with chemical preservatives such as creosote, pentachlorophenol or copper chrome arsenic.

Renewable Energy Certificates (also known as Tradable Renewable Energy Credits, Renewable Energy Credits, Green Tags or Carbon Credits) represent all of the regional and global environmental and emissions benefits associated with one unit of output from a qualifying renewable electricity generating resource. In some markets, the credits are certified by an independent third party and include a serial number for tracking purposes.

One hundred percent of RECs purchased under this offering must originate from new renewable energy resources.

New renewable energy is (1) placed in operation (generating electricity) on or after January 28, 2000; (2) repowered on or after January 28, 2000 such that 80% of the fair market value of the project derives from new generation equipment installed as part of the repowering, or (3) a separable improvement to or enhancement of an operating existing facility that was first placed in operation prior to January 28, 2000, such that the proposed incremental generation is contractually available for sale and metered separately than existing generation at the facility. Any enhancement of a fuel source that increases generation at an existing facility, without the construction of a new or repowered, separately metered generating unit, is not eligible to participate.

No purchase under this tariff shall disqualify the Company's Blue Sky program from being Green-e certified.

Preference will be given to resources within Pacific Power and Rocky Mountain Power service territories.

Renewable Energy Certificate purchases made to match Consumer Block purchases are in addition to investments associated with the Company's Integrated Resource Plan, and are not considered for purposes of any Renewable Portfolio Standard requirements.

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**Qualifying Initiatives**

1. Funding for locally-owned commercial-scale renewable energy projects that produce less than 10 MW of electricity. The preference is for local community based projects that provide strong environmental and economic benefit to local communities and Consumers the Company services under this Schedule.
2. Funding for research development projects encouraging renewable energy market transformation in order to accelerate marketability of renewable energy technologies.
3. Investment in the above-market costs associated in the construction of renewable energy facilities or purchase by contract of renewable energy, reducing the costs of renewable energy to be competitive with cost-effective resources.
4. To the extent a project in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 above is able to generate RECs, the recipient agrees that the Company has the right to claim a share of the project's REC output. The share amount is expressed as a percentage of output when comparing the Company's financial contribution to the overall cost of the project. The share amount of these RECs will be retired on behalf of program participants across the Company's service territories. The Company will also be given the opportunity to purchase additional RECs off the project.
5. Qualifying Initiatives are not considered for purposes of any Renewable Portfolio Standard requirements.

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**Special Conditions**

1. Consumers may apply for this Schedule anytime during the year.
2. The Company may not accept enrollments for accounts that have a time-payment agreement in effect, or have received two or more disconnect notices, or have been disconnected within the last 12 months.
3. The Company will buy Renewable Energy Certificates within two years of a Consumer's purchase, unless otherwise set forth in a written contract between the Company and Consumer.
4. RECs procured pursuant to this Schedule will be either (i) delivered by Company, at Company's expense, to Consumer's registered Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS) account (as set forth in a written contract between Company and Consumer and approved by the Commission), or (ii) deposited into a WREGIS account maintained by Company and retired on behalf of Consumers (except with respect to RECs generated from Qualifying Initiatives as set forth above in this Schedule). All costs associated with transferring, retiring, administering or otherwise managing RECs within Consumer WREGIS accounts shall be borne by Customer.
5. To ensure that all costs and benefits of this program are isolated to the participants of this program, all funds collected under this program will be separately identified and tracked by state jurisdiction by which the funds were collected. On the effective date of this Schedule, the Company will establish a regulatory liability for all funds collected and will debit the regulatory liability for all funds spent. The company will apply its authorized rate of return to the balances in the regulatory liability account. The Company will endeavor to match spending to collection within each calendar year.

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