ISSUED: November 29, 2017

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## OF OREGON

**UE 323** 

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

BENCH REQUEST

2018 Transition Adjustment Mechanism.

PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, is directed to file a narrative explanation and/or supporting calculations explaining its Day-Ahead/Real-Time (DA/RT) adjustment value shown in its indicative update and final transition adjustment mechanism (TAM) compliance filings made in this docket on November 8 and 15, 2017.

In Order No. 17-444, the Commission modified PacifiCorp's proposed DA/RT adjustment so that the company would only use data from years following its participation in the Energy Imbalance Market (EIM). In doing so, the Commission acknowledged uncertainty over the exact amount of its post-EIM DA/RT adjustment, and asked the company to make the precise calculation that appropriately accounts for the additional volumes component of DA/RT. This also left the company the discretion to update the DA/RT costs with the most recent historical data.

PacifiCorp's indicative update explains that it excluded from the DA/RT adjustment the periods before the company began participating in the Energy Imbalance Market (EIM). Excluding calendar years 2011 through 2014 decreased the adjustment and net power cost (NPC) by approximately \$85,000 on an Oregon allocated basis. The company did not, however, explain the steps of its calculation.

PacifiCorp is directed to file a brief explanation of its DA/RT calculation for informational purposes, showing the annual historical values for 2015 and 2016 that comprise the post-EIM DA/RT adjustment, indicating whether any 2017 historical costs were used, and how the additional balancing volumes are added to the DA/RT costs. This filing should be made in this docket by December 12, 2017. PacifiCorp should submit its informational filing to the Commission's Filing Center, and the filing will be subject to the ongoing TAM protective order.

Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017 at Salem, Oregon.

Sarah Rowe (f) Administrative Law Judge