

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UE 246 & UE 233

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER  
Request for a General Rate Revision.  
(UE 246)

and

IDAHO POWER COMPANY  
Request for General Rate Revision.(UE 233)

JOINT  
PREHEARING CONFERENCE  
MEMORANDUM

**DISPOSITION: REVISED SCHEDULE ADOPTED**

On September 20, 2012, a telephone conference was held to discuss a revised procedural schedule in these dockets. Representatives appeared on behalf of Commission Staff; Renewable Northwest Project; the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU); the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB); Sierra Club; Kroger; PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power; and Idaho Power Company.

Much of the discussion focused on whether the parties should file one or two post-hearing briefs. CUB, ICNU, and Sierra Club favored just one post-hearing brief, and argued that the second post-hearing brief was not necessary given the comprehensive pre-hearing brief. Pacific Power, Idaho Power, and Staff favored two post-hearing briefs. The utilities argued that, as the parties with the burden of persuasion in this case, they should be afforded the opportunity to reply to potential new arguments made based on questioning at hearing. All parties proposed additional time to submit prehearing briefs, as well as cross-examination statements, hearing exhibits, and objections.

Based on comments made by the parties and discussions with Commissioners, I adopt the following revised schedule in both dockets:

EVENT	DATE
Prehearing Briefs	October 4, 2012
Cross-Examination Statements and Exhibits	October 9, 2012
Objections	October 11, 2012
Hearing	October 15-16, 2012
Simultaneous Brief	November 7, 2012
Oral Argument	November 30, 2012
Commission Decision (target)	December 20, 2012

These dates are designed to allow the parties the opportunity to prepare and file thoroughly researched and comprehensive pre- and post-hearing briefs, while giving the Commissioners the ability to fully understand the parties' positions prior to hearing, and to render a decision within the statutory suspension period. I acknowledge the utilities' assertion with regard to carrying the burden of proof. If any new arguments are raised in the post-hearing briefs, the utilities will have the opportunity to respond to them at the Oral Argument currently scheduled for November 30, 2012.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> of September, 2012, at Salem, Oregon.

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Michael Grant  
Chief Administrative Law Judge