ISSUED: March 14, 2006

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UE 170		
In the Matter of)	
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT (dba PacifiCorp))	NOTICE OF
Request for a General Rate Increase in the)	EX PARTE COMMUNICATION
Company's Oregon Annual Revenues)	
(Klamath River Basin Irrigator Rates).)	

On March 14, 2006, Commission Chair Lee Beyer received an electronic mail message from State Senator Doug Whitsett. The message, attached as Appendix A, describes Senator Whitsett's interpretation of certain provisions of Senate Bill 81.

Senator Whitsett's electronic mail message constitutes an "ex parte" communication under OAR 860-012-0015. Accordingly, I am serving a copy of the message to all parties to docket UE 170. Moreover, a copy of the message will be made part of the official record in this proceeding. Parties have the right to rebut the communication within 10 days of this notice, with service to all parties of record.

Michael Grant
Chief Administrative Law Judge

GRANT Michael

From:

BEYER Lee

Sent:

Tuesday, March 14, 2006 3:10 PM

To:

GRANT Michael

Subject: FW: Rate Shock Hearing

From: Sen Whitsett [mailto:Whitsett.Sen@state.or.us]

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2006 2:27 PM

To: BEYER Lee

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From: Sen Whitsett

Sent: Tue 3/14/2006 2:18 PM **To:** LeeBeyer@state.or.us **Subject:** Rate Shock Hearing

Dear Lee,

I just wanted to remind you as the sponsor of the rate shock language in Senate Bill 81 that "all credits and special rates" in my mind means all credits that effect the charges at a pump and all special rates that effect the charges at a pump. There was no intent to only include special credits as that would eliminate any general or system wide credits and would obviously be counterproductive to our purpose. Best regards,

Doug