

ORDER NO.

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JAN 26 2018

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1845

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

Application for Approval of Final Draft
2017R Request for Proposals.

NOTICE

DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE ADOPTED IN PART, MODIFIED IN PART

This notice provides information on our expected schedule for addressing PacifiCorp's 2017R RFP. PacifiCorp and Staff both filed proposed schedules with dates for filing the shortlist and Independent Evaluator (IE) closing report. We slightly modify these dates to allow all parties to file comments in advance of the March 27, 2018 Public Meeting. Parties are reminded to timely file comments to allow us the opportunity to review all comments in advance and to be better prepared to ask questions of Staff and parties during our deliberations.

EVENT	PACIFICORP'S PROPOSAL	STAFF'S PROPOSAL	ADOPTED DATES
RFP final shortlist with IE closing report filed with the Commission	February 16, 2018	unchanged	February 16, 2018
Parties' Comments on IE Closing Report	February 22, 2018	March 5, 2018	March 2, 2018
PacifiCorp's Reply Comments	None	None	March 16, 2018
Staff Public Meeting Report Posted	None	None	March 22, 2018
Commission to deliberate acknowledgement of the final shortlist	March 27, 2018, 9:30 am Regular Public Meeting	unchanged	March 27, 2018, 9:30 am Regular Public Meeting

We also note that Caithness Beaver Creek, LLC, filed a motion to modify the conditions in our order approving the 2017R RFP, Order No. 17-345. Caithness Beaver Creek explains

that it submitted project proposals in the 2017R RFP for wind generation with on-site battery storage options. PacifiCorp determined these bids were non-conforming under the eligibility requirements in the RFP. Caithness asks us to modify the eligibility requirements so that a wind proposal with a storage component is not disqualified as a "technology risk." PacifiCorp, Northwest Intermountain Power Producers Coalition (NIPPC), and Commission Staff filed comments on Caithness Beaver Creek's motion.

In order to hear directly from the IE on Caithness Beaver Creek's motion, we will address this issue at the March 27, 2018 Public Meeting when we deliberate acknowledgement of the shortlist. Appendix M of the 2017R RFP describes several of the IE's duties that are relevant here, including:


- Whether a bidder has met the criteria specified in any bidding process and whether to reject or accept non-conforming bid responses;
- Whether to reject non-conforming bids for any reason or accept conforming changes; and
- Analyze and attempt to mediate disputes that arise in the solicitation process with PacifiCorp and/or bidders, and present recommendations for resolution of unresolved disputes to the Commissions.

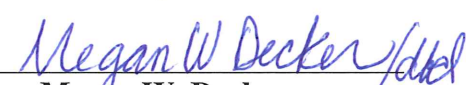
Ahead of the March 27, 2018 Public Meeting, we ask PacifiCorp and the IE to provide more information on the Caithness Beaver Creek bids. We currently do not have enough information on the bids to fully consider the issues raised and to understand the implications of granting or denying Caithness' motion.

Made, entered, and effective JAN 26 2018.


Lisa D. Hardie
 Chair




Stephen M. Bloom
 Commissioner


Megan W. Decker
 Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Circuit Court for Marion County in compliance with ORS 183.484.