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PUC Filing Center Public Utility Commission of Oregon PO Box 2148 Salem, OR 97308-2148

Re: PacifiCorp's RFP 2003B (Renewable Resource RFP)

Docket UM 1118

PacifiCorp encloses for filing an Amendment to PacifiCorp's Request for Proposals for renewable generation resources, originally filed October 17, 2003, and amended January 27, 2004 ("RFP 2003B"). PacifiCorp respectfully requests that this amendment be scheduled for review at the April 11, 2006 public meeting.

This is a non-substantive amendment to RFP 2003B, which the Commission previously found to be in compliance with the bidding guidelines established in Order No. 91-1383 and consistent with PacifiCorp's filed 2003 Integrated Resource Plan. Order 04-091 at 2 (Feb. 18, 2004). As set forth in the amendment, PacifiCorp will continue to evaluate proposals using the criteria identified in approved RFP 2003B.

The purpose of this amendment is to reopen the approved RFP to new bidders and to allow previous bidders to update their bids. Approval of this amendment will benefit ratepayers by allowing PacifiCorp to review renewable resource proposals from the entire pool of bidders currently available. PacifiCorp requests that the Commission issue an order finding that this non-substantive amendment is consistent with Order No. 04-091.

As set forth in the amendment, new and updated proposals are due April 12, 2006. This schedule provides for procurement of economical new renewable resources that can begin making deliveries by the end of 2007, with a target of 100 MW that can begin making deliveries by the end of 2006. This schedule also promotes cost effectiveness by facilitating the use of Production Tax Credits, which are anticipated to expire at the end of 2007. To facilitate this schedule, PacifiCorp requests expedited review of this amendment.

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If the Commission, its Staff or any other party has any questions with respect to this filing, please contact either the undersigned or Laura Beane at 503-813-5542.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

cc: Parties of record



March 21, 2006

Subject – RFP 2003B Call for New/Revised Bids

Bidders:

PacifiCorp's RFP 2003-B Section (1) (b) sets annual targets from for the acquisition of supply-side renewable resources. To assist PacifiCorp in meeting its near-term targets, PacifiCorp is requesting new and/or revised bids pursuant to RFP 2003B. PacifiCorp seeks economical new renewable resources that can begin making deliveries by the end of 2007, with a target of 100 MW prior to December 31, 2006.

PacifiCorp will continue to evaluate proposals using the criteria identified in RFP 2003B. Successful proposals will continue to have attributes that include: cost effective economics, a viable implementation schedule, verifiable major equipment availability (such as wind turbines and/or long lead-time equipment), appropriate ability to securitize the bidder's proposed obligation, transmission access and interconnection and conformance to Pro-Forma contracts (see below).

All bidders must provide the information PacifiCorp required in Appendices B and D to RFP 2003B. In addition to the information required in RFP 2003B, new bidders should provide the information listed below. Previous bidders to RFP 2003B should update information already supplied or indicate that no changes have occurred. Previous bidders must also provide any applicable additional information listed below.

To the extent your legal entity has not previously responded to RFP 2003B, applicable information can be found on PacifiCorp's web site:

http://www.pacificorp.com/Navigation/Navigation31203.html

All bidders (new or previous) are expected to submit proposals based on the Pro-Forma contract(s) contained in Appendices E and E-1 for Power Purchase Agreements, F-3 for Build own Transfers, G-3 for Site Agreements, and H3 for Engineering Procurement and Construction Contracts.

<u>Previous bidders should note that the pro-forma Power Purchase Agreement (Appendix E)</u> has been amended (Appendix E-1) and a redline version is contained in the appendices.

As previously, bidders may propose a wide variety of transactional structures. These structures may include, but are not limited to: Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), Build Own Transfer (BOT), sale of an existing site and associated assets (Site Agreement), and/or Engineering Procurement and Construction (EPC). To further facilitate proposals for the aforementioned structures, PacifiCorp has included Pro-Form contracts for BOT, Site Agreement, and EPC structures as appendices F-3, G-3, and H-3 respectively. Further information required is included

in the appendices for each resource option and the Pro-forma Contracts for PPA, BOT, Site Agreement, and EPC structures can be obtained on PacifiCorp's web site at http://www.pacificorp.com/Navigation/Navigation31203.html

Affiliates of PacifiCorp (and any bid dependent upon an affiliate) at the time proposals are evaluated will not be considered. PacifiCorp is currently in the process of being acquired by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC) and it is expected that the sale will be completed prior to the receipt and evaluation of bids hereunder. Bidders should be aware that it is anticipated that PPM Energy will not be an affiliate after the MEHC sale and, as such, will be considered an eligible bidder.

Along with other RFP 2003B requirements, all bidders will be required to submit their proposals as follows:

- 1) Identify each proposal using an assigned bid number. New bidders will receive a bid number when they submit their Notice of Intent to Bid Form and previous bidders who would like to propose new projects can likewise request a new bid number.
- 2) If a bid pertains to a wind project, PacifiCorp will require information to clarify the degree to which the bidder has contractual rights to wind turbines (*i.e.*, executed wind turbine purchase or turbine option agreements).
 - a. If such contractual rights exist, PacifiCorp will require copies of these agreements as well as written statements stipulating your willingness to dedicate the associated turbines to the bid proposal.
 - b. If no such contractual rights exist, PacifiCorp will require sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the bidder has adequate access to wind turbines. PacifiCorp reserves the right to not pursue proposals that are not able to sufficiently demonstrate access to wind turbines.
- 3) Provide representation that the proposed renewable resource project can be permitted, constructed, and can reasonably be expected to reach commercial operation on or prior to December 31, 2006 or December 31, 2007.
- 4) The required technical information outlined for each applicable resource option in Appendices C, E1-E2, F1-F2, G-1, G-2 and H1-H2 on the website. (http://www.pacificorp.com/Navigation/Navigation31203.html)

If you are a previous bidder, please also update any previously provided information, including:

- 1) Updated contract-pertinent information as to your corporate structure and/or project financing arrangements, if any.
- 2) Representation that land control has been accomplished, including all required leases or easements for construction of the project and its related and supporting facilities, including any transmission corridor right-of-ways.

- 3) Copies of all necessary land use or sitting approvals (e.g. Conditional Use Permit) by any applicable government authorities. In lieu of such approvals, submit a work plan for obtaining such approvals and include major data requirements and permitting milestones.
- 4) Documentation demonstrating completion of all necessary federal environmental reviews (e.g. NEPA, ESA). In lieu of such documentation, submit a work plan for obtaining this necessary information and include major requirements and milestones.
- 5) Copy of Interconnection Study and work plan showing completion of all interconnection and needed transmission facility upgrades, with milestones.
- 6) List of activities over the past 2 months undertaken to ensure transmission interconnection and any required transmission service will be available in a timely manner.

PacifiCorp is currently targeting the following schedule:

| Notice to the Market – PacifiCorp will be accepting new/revised proposals under RFP 2003B. | March 21,2006 |
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| RFP Bidder Conference | March 24, 2006 |
| Notice of Intent (NOI) to Bid Form Due | March 27, 2006 |
| Proposals Due by 5:00pm PPT | April 12, 2006 |
| Evaluation complete | April 19, 2006 |
| Target negotiations complete | June |

Bidders should note that the above schedule is a target which may change.

Bidders should also note that, as negotiations progress, it is PacifiCorp's intent to share proposal specific information to Regulators and regulatory stakeholders (subject to appropriate confidentiality provisions). Bidders who are unwilling to have such information shared may not be considered, at PacifiCorp's sole discretion.

Finally, please also note that RFP 2003B continues to provide that nothing herein shall obligate PacifiCorp to enter into any agreement with any responding entity and PacifiCorp shall have no obligation to any person or entity to reimburse any expenses incurred by said person or entity in responding hereto. All rights and remedies of PacifiCorp with respect to bids, proposals, and information set forth in RFP 2003B, and all disclaimers and reservations made by PacifiCorp, are reiterated as if set forth herein.

If you are interested in responding to this Solicitation, pertinent documentation regarding RFP 2003B can be located at (http://www.pacificorp.com/Navigation/Navigation31203.html).

Phone responses will not be accepted. If you have questions that you would like PacifiCorp to answer please provide them in writing via email to Supply.RFP@PacifiCorp.com prior to the RFP Bidders Conference and we will make every effort to provide answers at the Bidder Conference on March 24, 2006.

Resource Options:

Appendix A Notice of Intent to Bid due March 27, 2006

Existing and new bidders must submit a separate form for each project. If you have an existing Bid number, please indicate it below. Each new project will be given a new separate bid number. **Bidder must select by marking with an "X" for only one of the following agreement types.** Bidders may submit more than one Notice of Intent for each Resource Option

Only those who submit a Notice to Intent to Bid Form will be e-mailed further information. Please submit the NOI to the address and email outlined in the RFP 2003B under Section 2d.

□ Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) based on Appendix E, and updated Appendix E-1.

| ☐ Build/Own/Transfer (BO) | Γ) based on Appendix F-1, F-2, and F-3 (EPC and Site Agreement). |
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| ☐ Site Agreement based on . | Appendix G-1, G-2, and G-3. |
| ☐ Engineering, Procurement | t and Construction Agreement (EPC) Appendix H-1, H2 and, H3. |
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| Full Legal Name of Seller: | |
| Full Legal Name of Guarantor: | |
| Commercial Contact: | |
| Office Phone: | |
| Cell Phone: | |
| Email Address: | |
| Credit Contact: | |
| Title: | |
| Office Phone: | |
| Cell Phone: | |
| Email Address: | |
| Include a summary of the Proposed Resource Option at a minimum include the following information. | Commercial Operation Date Size (MW) Capacity Factor Site description Resource Type |

Turbine purchase agreement Turbine option agreement

Interconnection information

Status of Electric Interconnection Request and Studies

Addendum - RFP 2003B Call for New/Revised Bids

Power Purchase Agreement (PPA)

Appendix C in the 200B RFP contains an explanation of the information required if a bidder plans to pursue the PPA option. The bidder would agree to meet its contractual obligation within the PPA during the Term of the Agreement agreeing to sell the Project to the Company at the end of the term as outlined in Section 5.6 of the PPA (Appendix E-1). As part of your response, please return the completed technical data questionnaire in Appendix C of the 2003B RFP as well as indicate if there are any specific sections in the PPA proforma contract, Appendix E-1 the Bidder is unwilling to accept.

Build/Own/Transfer (BOT)

Appendix F1 and F2 contains an explanation of the information required if a bidder plans to pursue the BOT option. The bidder would complete all requirements in a Site Sale and an EPC option and transfer the facility upon commercial operation of the facility. This alternative requires that the bidder develop, finance, engineer, procure, construct, test and commission and turnover the generating facility to PacifiCorp not later than upon achievement of full commercial operation of the project. It also incorporates a technical data questionnaire as well as Appendix F-3 (which consists of two agreements - the Site Sale Agreement and the EPC Agreement) to which bidders generally are expected to adhere. As part of your response, please return the completed technical data questionnaire as well as indicate if there are any specific sections in the two Appendix F-3 pro-forma contracts the Bidder is unwilling to accept.

Sale of an Existing Site (Site Sale)

Appendix G-1 and G-2 contains a summary of what is required in a bid to pursue a Site Sale. The Site Sale will include all development rights at a date no later than the substantial completion of the development. PacifiCorp would prefer that the Bidder obtain all development rights necessary to construct including all land rights, permits and licenses (including all of those that are discretionary), transmission interconnection rights and for the bidder to perform all necessary development activities (e.g. wind studies, environmental phase 1 study, and other generation/location specific studies). In addition, the Bidder will be responsible to submit changes, if any, to the form of Site Sale Agreement in Appendix G3 that it is unwilling to accept.

Engineering/Procurement/Construction (EPC)

Appendix H-1, H-2 contain a summary of the information required if a bidder plans to pursue the EPC option. EPC contractor will be required to obtain all permits and licenses to initially own and operate the project, permits and licenses (including all of those that are discretionary). It also incorporates a technical data questionnaire as well as the pro-forma EPC contract to which bidders are expected to adhere. As part of your response, please return the completed technical data questionnaire as well as indicate if there are any specific sections in the EPC pro-forma contract, Appendix H-3, the Bidder is unwilling to accept. Please note the EPC option pertains exclusively to circumstances under which PacifiCorp could apply the EPC proposal to a bidders Site Sale agreement and the Parties would agree to submit a BOT.