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*Via Electronic Filing & U.S. Mail*

Hon. Lee Beyer, Commission Chair  
Hon. Ray Baum, Commissioner  
Hon. John Savage, Commissioner  
Oregon Public Utility Commission  
550 Capitol St NE #215  
PO Box 2148  
Salem OR 97308-2148

Re: Docket Nos. UM 1182 & UM 1056

Dear Commissioners:

Recently PacifiCorp re-initiated activities in Docket No. UM 1208 regarding a Request for Proposals ("RFP") for 2009, a docket temporarily suspended last year. The updated RFP seeks up to four baseload plants on the east side of the company's system in 2012, 2013 and 2014, and indicates that coal resources are the company's benchmark resource. The resources PacifiCorp intends to acquire are significant in terms of their quantity and probably also in terms of their policy implications for competitive procurement, resource planning, and cost recovery. NIPPC has filed a Petition to Intervene in UM 1208 and intends to fully participate in the RFP. Workshops may be scheduled as early as mid-August, 2006.

NIPPC is aware that the Commission has had a substantial workload of important matters in the past twelve months, and therefore NIPPC has understood that the Commission needed additional time to complete orders in the pending dockets. However, it is a complication to proceed with a RFP of this consequence but without Commission policy guidance in key dockets regarding resource planning and competitive procurement.

NIPPC respectfully requests that the Commission consider expediting its orders in the above-referenced dockets so that they are completed before the first scheduled workshop in UM 1208. This would permit the company, Staff and

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interested parties to apply the orders to the UM 1208 RFP process and hopefully achieve the policy results the Commission intends.

Very truly yours,

***/s/ Susan K. Ackerman***

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Re: UM 1182; NIPPC Letter to OPUC

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket is a NIPPC letter to the three Oregon Commissioner's regarding the timing of an order in this docket. A hard copy of will follow in the U.S. Mail.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

**/s/ Susan K. Ackerman**

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Enclosures

### **Certificate of Service**

I certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of record in UM 1182 by electronic mail to all parties or attorneys of parties indicated on the OPUC's service list for this docket published as of this date on the OPUC's website.

DATED this 21st day of July, 2006.

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