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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: In the Matter of Application of PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT (d/b/a PacifiCorp) for an Accounting Order

Docket No. UM \_\_\_\_

Enclosed for filing is PacifiCorp's Application for Deferred Accounting Order re MEHC Oregon Commitments 8 and 12. A copy of Exhibit A to this filing, the Notice of Application, has been served on all parties to PacifiCorp's previous general rate case, docketed as UE 170.

Very truly yours,

Sarah J. Adams Lien

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cc: UE 170 Service List

1	BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON			
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4 5	In the Matter of PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT (d/b/a PacifiCorp) Application for an Accounting Order	APPLICATION FOR DEFERRED ACCOUNTING ORDER RE: MEHC OREGON COMMITMENTS 8 AND 12		
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7	11 1 ODG 555 050 10 AD 060 005	-0300, PacifiCorp applies to the Public Utility		
8	Commission of Oregon (the "Commission") for an order authorizing the Company to defer			
9	certain rate credits associated with MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company's ("MEHC")			
10	acquisition of PacifiCorp. In support of this Application, PacifiCorp states:			
11	1. PacifiCorp is a public utility in the	he state of Oregon and is subject to the		
12	jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to its rates, service and accounting practices.			
13	PacifiCorp also provides retail electricity service in the states of California, Idaho, Utah,			
14	Washington and Wyoming.			
15	2. This Application is filed pursuant to ORS 757.259(2) which allows the			
16	6 Commission, upon application of a utility, to au	thorize deferral of certain items for later		
17	7 incorporation in rates.			
18	3. Communications regarding this	Application should be addressed to:		
19		Katherine A. McDowell		
20	Manager, Oregon Regulation PacifiCorp	Stoel Rives LLP 900 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 2600 Portland, OR 97204-1268 Telephone: (503) 294-9602 Facsimile: (503) 220-2480 E-mail: kamcdowell@stoel.com		
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In addition, PacifiCorp respectfully requests that all formal correspondence and data requests regarding this matter be addressed to:

3	By email (preferred)	datarequest@pacificorp.com
4	By regular mail	Data Request Response Center PacifiCorp
5		825 NE Multnomah, Suite 800 Portland, OR 97232
6	By facsimile	(503) 813-6060

- 7 4. In Order 06-082, amended by Order 06-121, the Oregon Commission
- 8 approved MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp. As a part of this order, the Commission
- 9 approved a Stipulation, the terms of which provided certain rate credits to Oregon customers.
- 10 Specifically, in Oregon Commitment 8, MEHC and PacifiCorp agreed to provide a monthly
- 11 credit of \$417,000 to customers associated with non-fuel cost reductions in the West Valley
- 12 lease. In Oregon Commitment 12, MEHC and PacifiCorp agreed to provide a monthly credit
- 13 of \$0.5 million associated with A&G cost savings. In both cases, these rate credits are
- 14 offsetable by a demonstration in a rate case that PacifiCorp has actually reduced the level of
- 15 the specific cost item.
- 16 5. In Oregon Commitment 8, MEHC and PacifiCorp agreed that "Beginning
- 17 with the first month after the close of the transaction to purchase PacifiCorp, Oregon's share
- 18 of the monthly rate credit will be deferred for the benefit of customers and accrue interest at
- 19 PacifiCorp's authorized rate of return." Similarly, in Oregon Commitment 12, MEHC and
- 20 PacifiCorp agreed that "Beginning with the first month after the close of the transaction,
- 21 Oregon's share of the \$0.5 million monthly rate credit will be deferred for the benefit of
- 22 customers and accrue interest at PacifiCorp's authorized rate of return."
- 23 6. In Order 06-121, the Commission added the following provision to the
- 24 approval of MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp: "PacifiCorp shall file a petition for an
- 25 accounting order to establish its authority to create deferral accounts, as necessary to make

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1	effective the terms of Oregon Commitments 8 and 12, set forth in Exhibit 1 to the
2	Stipulation."
3	7. Pursuant to ORS 757.259 and Orders 06-082 and 06-121, PacifiCorp proposes
4	to defer the rate credits as of April 1, 2006, the beginning of the first month after the close of
5	the MEHC acquisition of PacifiCorp, for future incorporation in PacifiCorp's rates.
6	ORS 757.259(2)(e) allows the deferral of utility expenses or revenues where necessary to
7	minimize the frequency of rate changes or the fluctuation of rate levels or to match
8	appropriately the costs borne by and benefits received by ratepayers. The revenues for which
9	PacifiCorp seeks deferral meet the requirement of subsection (2)(e).
10	9. The amount of the deferred account will be \$917,000 monthly. PacifiCorp
11	proposes to account for these costs in the following manner: Amounts related to the West
12	Valley Lease and A&G Cost Savings will be charged to Account 400, Operating Revenues,
13	with the credit being recorded in Account 254, Other Regulatory Liabilities. The
14	amortization of the balance would be accomplished by debiting Account 254 and crediting
15	Account 142, Customer Accounts Receivable. PacifiCorp will accrue interest expense on the
16	unamortized balance at a rate equal to its weighted average cost of capital most recently
17	approved by the Commission in UE 170.
18	10. PacifiCorp does not request a determination of ratemaking treatment of these
19	rate credits at this time and instead proposes to address amortization of these revenues in
20	PacifiCorp's pending Oregon rate case, UE 179.
21	11. A copy of the Notice of Application and a list of persons served with the
22	Notice are attached to this Application as Exhibit A.
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## Exhibit A

1	BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON		
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4 5	In the Matter of PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT (d/b/a PacifiCorp) Application for an Accounting Order  NOTICE OF APPLICATION		
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7	On March 31, 2006, PacifiCorp applied to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon		
8	(the "Commission") for authorization to use deferred accounting. Pursuant to ORS 757.259,		
9	PacifiCorp proposes to defer for later recovery in rates certain rate credits associated with		
10	MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company's acquisition of PacifiCorp. The granting of the		
11	Application will not authorize a change in rates, but will permit the Commission to consider		
12	allowing such deferred amounts in rates in a subsequent proceeding. Interested persons can		
13	obtain a copy of Application by contacting:		
14 15 16	Katherine A. McDowell Stoel Rives LLP 900 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 2600 Portland, OR 97204 Telephone: (503) 294-9602		
17	Any person may submit to the Commission written comment on the Application, in		
18	accordance with procedures prescribed by the Commission. The deadline for comments on		
19	the application is April 25, 2006.		
20	DATED: March 31, 2006.		
21	STOEL RIVES LLP		
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23	Katherine A. McDowell		
24	Sarah J. Adams Lien		
25	Of Attorneys for PacifiCorp		
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Page 1 - NOTICE OF APPLICATION

1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE			
2	I hereby certify that I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document on the			
3	parties of record from PacifiCorp's last general rate case, Docket UE 170, on the date			
4	indicated below by email and first-class mail, addressed to said parties at his or her last-			
5	known address(es) indicated below.			
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