

ISSUED: July 9, 2010

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 219

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER

Application to Implement the Provisions of
Senate Bill 76.

PREHEARING
CONFERENCE
REPORT

On July 7, 2010, a prehearing conference was held, by telephone, in the above-captioned docket. The primary purpose of the telephone conference was to discuss the cancellation of the planned hearing in this docket and the scheduling of a workshop instead. Representatives participated on behalf of Commission Staff (Staff), PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power (Pacific Power), Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU), the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB), the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association, Trout Unlimited, and the Oregon Department of Justice.

Conference participants discussed modifications to the procedural schedule to accommodate a workshop with the Commissioners. The workshop is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on July 23, 2010, and no other changes were made to the procedural schedule. All parties that submitted pre-filed testimony, with the exception of three state agencies (Oregon Departments of Fish and Wildlife, Environmental Quality, and Water Resources), will make the sponsoring witnesses available for questioning. A court reporter will be present, and a record of the workshop will be made part of the evidentiary record. Parties are reminded to consider the level of confidentiality of information discussed during the workshop.

After the telephone conference, I conferred with the Commissioners about workshop issues and format. The workshop will potentially address five issues, beginning with technical presentations by the witnesses, as appropriate, and involving free discussion and questions from the Commissioners, Administrative Law Judges and other parties. The issues are:

- 1) Comparative Cost-Benefit Analyses of Decommissioning vs. Relicensing: Pacific Power is asked to make a technical presentation on the issues. Staff will follow. Any other party may request an opportunity to make a presentation.


- 2) Calculation of the Surcharge (with attention to the issues raised by ICNU):
Pacific Power is asked to make a technical presentation, followed by ICNU, and then Staff. Any other party may request an opportunity to make a presentation.
- 3) Depreciation: Any party may request an opportunity to make a presentation.
- 4) Disclaimer of jurisdiction under ORS 757.480:
Pacific Power is asked to make a presentation followed by Staff. Any other party may request an opportunity to make a presentation.
- 5) Proposed Modifications to Schedule 199:
Pacific Power is asked to make a presentation, followed by Staff. Any other party may request an opportunity to make a presentation.

Requests to make a presentation on any issue are due, in writing, by 5:00 p.m. on July 16, 2010.

The Commission anticipates that attorneys will participate on behalf of parties and will be available to address any legal or policy questions that arise. The Commission also anticipates that persons other than attorneys or sponsoring witnesses may participate on behalf of parties. For example, I am aware that Mr. Bob Jenks will likely participate on behalf of CUB. I would appreciate being notified, due to room capacity, of any other persons that may participate.

If time permits, I will allow a party to swear a witness or witnesses in for the purpose of entering testimony, exhibits, and other evidence into the record to respond to questions raised during the workshop. Should time not be available, I will ask each party that has not already done so to make an appropriate motion.

Dated this 9th day of July, 2010, at Salem, Oregon.


Traci A. G. Kirkpatrick
Administrative Law Judge