

**BEFORE THE OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UA 110

In the matter of

PROPERTY OWNERS OF TAX LOT 501;
Petition to review Service Area for Tax Lot 501,

Petitioners,

and

PACIFICORP (dba PACIFIC POWER) and
HOOD RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.,

Respondents.

ANSWER OF PACIFICORP

In Answer to Petitioners' request and pursuant to OAR 860-13-0035 and OAR 860-13-0050(1)(a), PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power ("PacifiCorp" or the "Company"), a Respondent in the above-referenced proceeding, UA 110, replies as follows:

The Nature of the Case

Petitioners argue the service boundary for Tax Lot 501, in Sec. 7, T. 2 N., R. 11 E., Willamette Meridian, is bisected by the territory allocation between Respondents, and that the most efficient service territory allocation would be to have the entire lot served by Hood River Electric Cooperative ("Hood River").

1.

The territory boundary between PacifiCorp and Hood River was established by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon in Order #43350, UF 2606, dated January 12, 1967. Appendix A to Order #43350 shows the boundary for Tax Lot 501 on page 1, lines 9 through 12. The boundary for this area is "the tread of Whiskey Creek", with PacifiCorp serving the northerly side of Whiskey Creek and Hood River serving the southerly side of Whiskey Creek.

2.

PacifiCorp's property maps show Tax Lot 501 being north of the tread of Whiskey Creek, thus entirely within PacifiCorp's service territory. PacifiCorp disagrees with Petitioner's assertion that the service boundary bisects Tax Lot 501 so as to create two comparably equal, or even unequal, lots.

3.

PacifiCorp has an overhead distribution line less than 300 feet from Tax Lot 501, from which Tax Lot 501 may be served. PacifiCorp can easily construct facilities to meet the electricity needs of this tax lot. PacifiCorp's estimate of the cost to serve the Petitioners is based on PacifiCorp's line extension Rule 13 and reflects the close proximity of Petitioners to PacifiCorp's facilities.

4.

PacifiCorp received a request from the owner of Tax Lot 501 for a cost estimate to provide service to a dwelling on the property. After PacifiCorp supplied the cost estimate, the property owner then requested that Hood River be allowed to serve the dwelling instead. PacifiCorp will not honor this request since the property clearly lies within the Company's service territory. Additionally, the area surrounding Tax Lot 501 on PacifiCorp's side of the service territory boundary line is ripe for development and PacifiCorp stands to benefit from increased revenue potential.

Reply of PacifiCorp

1.

PacifiCorp disagrees with Petitioner's assertion that Tax lot 501, in Sec. 7, T. 2 N., R. 11 E., Willamette Meridian, is bisected by the territory allocation between Respondents.

2.

PacifiCorp disagrees that the territory allocation would be more efficient by modifying the territory boundary.

3.

Petitioners' petition fails to cite any authority for which the requested relief may be granted.

4.

Based on the above reasons, PacifiCorp opposes Petitioners' reallocation request, and prays for the denial of Petitioners' petition.

Dated this 1st day of March 2007.
Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the Answer of PacifiCorp on all known parties to UA-110 by mailing a properly addressed copy by first-class with postage prepaid to each party named in the official service list.

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