

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

3 UM 1208

4 In the Matter of

5 PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER &
6 LIGHT COMPANY

7 Draft 2009 Request for Proposals pursuant to
8 Order No. 91-1383

STAFF'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO
PACIFICORP'S REQUEST TO CLOSE
DOCKET

9 Comes now the staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) and
10 requests the Commission and the Administrative Law Judge issue an order or ruling denying
11 PacifiCorp's request to close this docket at this time. Instead, staff requests the docket remain
12 open to provide time to accomplish the following events: (1) allow staff to submit data requests to
13 PacifiCorp and to receive the company's responses, and (2) allow time for the Oregon Independent
14 Evaluator (IE) to complete and submit final comments in the acknowledgment proceeding given
15 the Company's recent decision to reject all bids in its 2012 Request for Proposals (RFP).

16 Staff's data requests are relevant because they seek information and analysis from
17 PacifiCorp to support its decision, after 2-1/2 years of effort by the Company, Commission staff,
18 parties and bidders, to terminate the 2012 RFP and explore other resource alternatives to meet its
19 needs beginning summer 2012. Staff anticipates it will take approximately three weeks to
20 accomplish the first event.

21 Commission Order No. 06-446 states that the Oregon IE participates in the RFP
22 acknowledgment proceeding. *See* Order No. 06-446 at 14-15; Appendix A at 4 (Guideline 13).

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1 Accordingly, it would be inconsistent with Order No. 06-446 for the Commission to close this
2 docket prior to receiving the Oregon IE's final comments on the acknowledgment proceeding.
3 Staff anticipates the Oregon IE's final comments will be filed before the end of March.

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5 DATED this 24th day of February 2009.

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

2 I certify that on February 24, 2009, I served the foregoing Staff Response upon all parties
3 of record in this proceeding by delivering a copy by electronic mail and by mailing a copy by
4 postage prepaid first class mail or by hand delivery/shuttle mail to the parties accepting paper
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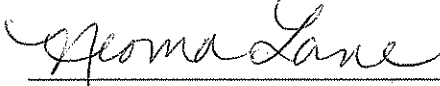
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