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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Public Utility Commission Attn: Filing Center 550 Capitol St. NE #215 P.O. Box 2148 Salem, OR 97308-2148

> Re: In the Matter of OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY STAFF Requesting the

Commission direct PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT

COMPANY, to file tariffs establishing automatic adjustment clauses under the

terms of SB 408 Docket No. UE 177

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant on Reconsideration on behalf of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities in the abovereferenced matter.

Thank you for your assistance, and please do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Brendan E. Levenick Brendan E. Levenick

Enclosures

cc: Service List

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant on Reconsideration on behalf of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities upon the parties, shown below, on the official service list by causing the foregoing document to be deposited, postage-prepaid, in the U.S. Mail, or by service via electronic mail to those parties who waived paper service.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 21st day of April, 2009.

<u>/s/ Brendan E. Levenick</u> Brendan E. Levenick

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UE 177

| In the Matter of |) |
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| OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY STAFF |) |
| Requesting the Commission Direct |))) PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ISSUE |
| PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, |) FUND GRANT OF THE INDUSTRIAL) CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES |
| to File Tariffs Establishing Automatic |) |
| Adjustment Clauses Under the Terms of |) |
| SB 408 |) |

Pursuant to Section 6.3 of the First Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA") approved by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon ("Commission") by Order No. 07-564 (December 19, 2007), the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU") files this Proposed Budget in UE 177 for an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$10,500. ICNU proposes that this grant be funded from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account. ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission act on this Proposed Budget within fourteen days of receipt, as provided in Section 6.4 of the IFA. The following information is provided in accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA:

(1) <u>Statement of the work to be performed by ICNU for which ICNU is seeking the Issue Fund Grant:</u>

ICNU has retained Davison Van Cleve, P.C. to represent ICNU in UE 177. The current reconsideration in UE 177 deals with specific questions of law and fact related to the review of PacifiCorp's 2006 tax report, for the establishment of an automatic adjustment clause

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pursuant to Senate Bill ("SB") 408. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as "any

Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities."

IFA, Section 1(c). UE 177 directly affects PacifiCorp, which falls under the definition of

"Participating Public Utility" in Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, UE 177 is an Eligible

Proceeding and an Issue Fund Grant may be made for this proceeding under Section 6.1 of the

IFA.

ICNU intends to participate fully in the proceedings on reconsideration. Pursuant

to the briefing schedule established on April 2, 2009, ICNU submitted an Opening Brief on

April 13, 2009. ICNU also intends to file a Reply Brief by April 30, 2009. In addition, ICNU

will participate in any other manner that the Commission may deem appropriate.

(2) <u>Description of the areas to be investigated by ICNU:</u>

ICNU intends to continue investigating and briefing upon the issue of whether

PacifiCorp's 2006 tax report is appropriate pursuant to SB 408, in a manner that is consistent

with the legislature's intent in enacting SB 408. In particular, ICNU will focus upon the validity

of OAR § 860-022-0041, the rule applied to PacifiCorp's tax report, in relation to SB 408.

(3) <u>Description of the particular customer class or classes that will benefit from the</u>

intervenor's participation:

ICNU's participation will directly benefit industrial and all other large non-

residential customers who purchase service from PacifiCorp in Oregon.

PAGE 2 – PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ISSUE FUND GRANT

DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C. 333 S.W. Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204 Telephone: (503) 241-7242 (4) Identification of the specific Fund Account from which ICNU is seeking the Issue Fund

Grant:

ICNU is seeking an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$10,500. ICNU proposes

that the grant amount be allocated from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account established under

IFA Section 4.2.3.

(5) <u>Budget showing estimated attorney and consultant fees and expert wi</u>tness fees:

Attached as Exhibit A is ICNU's proposed budget in UE 177.

(6) Matching Funds

ICNU represents that it will use matching funds in the form of either in-house

resources or outside funding to account for or pay at least 20% of the Eligible Expenses for

which ICNU is seeking an Issue Fund Grant.

Basis for Request

ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission grant its full request for this

Issue Fund Grant based on the following considerations:

1. The current reconsideration involves analysis of legal and factual issues

related to PacifiCorp's 2006 tax report filing pursuant to SB 408. As a result, this

reconsideration has a direct impact on all customers of PacifiCorp in Oregon.

2. This reconsideration is a continuation of proceedings that presented the

first review of utility tax filings under the rules adopted by the Commission pursuant to SB 408.

Therefore, this reconsideration involves very significant precedent and policy issues. The

Commission should continue to solicit as much input as possible from customers. The decision

that the Commission issues in this reconsideration could have a significant impact on customer

rates.

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3. ICNU has been pre-certified under Section 5.2(b)(2) of the IFA and

OAR § 860-012-0100(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant by Order No. 03-502, which

was entered on August 21, 2003.

4. ICNU represents the interests of industrial customers and has significant

experience participating in Commission proceedings involving rates and adjustment

mechanisms. ICNU's participation will benefit all PacifiCorp industrial customers. Moreover,

ICNU has been intimately involved with the issues now before the Commission on

reconsideration, not only in prior proceedings before the Commission, but also before the

Oregon Court of Appeals.

Therefore, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order

granting an issue fund grant in the amount specified above.

Dated this 21st day of April, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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UE 177 Exhibit A ICNU Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant

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| Category | <u>Personnel</u> | Hours | Rate | Cost | |
| Discovery | Sr. Attorney | 0 | 215.00 | 0.00 | |
| Draft data requests, respond to data | Assoc. Attorney | 0 | 155.00 | 0.00 | |
| requests, organize discovery, review discovery responses, discovery disputes, depositions | Paralegal | 0 | 125.00 | 0.00 | |
| Case Preparation Review filings and testimony, legal research, develop case strategy, prepare testimony, communications with expert witnesses, prepare issue statements | Sr. Attorney | 2 | 215.00 | 430.00 | |
| | Assoc. Attorney | 5 | 155.00 | 775.00 | |
| | Paralegal | 0 | 125.00 | 0.00 | |
| Procedural Matters Draft and review pleadings, hearings regarding procedural issues | Sr. Attorney | 0 | 215.00 | 0.00 | |
| | Assoc. Attorney | 1 | 155.00 | 155.00 | |
| Settlement | Sr. Attorney | 0 | 215.00 | 0.00 | |
| Prepare for and attend settlement meetings, draft settlement documents | Assoc. Attorney | 0 | 155.00 | 0.00 | |
| Communication | Sr. Attorney | 5 | 215.00 | 1,075.00 | |
| Meetings and communications with clients and third parties | Assoc. Attorney | 1 | 155.00 | 155.00 | |
| Hearings/Workshops Preparation and attendance at hearings, workshops and other Commission sponsored meetings | Sr. Attorney | 0 | 215.00 | 0.00 | |
| | Assoc. Attorney | 0 | 155.00 | 0.00 | |
| Briefing | Sr. Attorney | 10 | 215.00 | 2,150.00 | |
| Draft briefs, legal research related to briefs | Assoc. Attorney | 35 | 155.00 | 5,425.00 | |
| | Total Hours | 59 | Sub-Total | 10,165.00 | |
| Expert Consultant Fees | | | | | |
| Expert Consultant 1 | | | | 3,000.00 | |
| | | | Sub-Total | 3,000.00 | |
| Expenses The second of the se | | | | 0.00 | |
| Travel Expenses (Mileage) | | | | 0.00 | |
| Expert Expenses | | | | 0.00 | |
| Printing and Reproduction | | | | 0.00 | |
| | | | Sub-Total | 0.00 | |
| | | | Grand Total | 13,165.00 | |
| In-House Resources | | | | | |
| 20% of Eligible Expenses | | | | 2,633.00 | |

ICNU PacifiCorp Issue Fund Grant Budget Eligibility: \$ 10,532.00

Total ICNU PacifiCorp Issue Fund Grant Proposed Budget: \$ 10,500.00