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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

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

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(4)** 

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original Proposed Budget on behalf of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities in the above-referenced matter.

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

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Sarah A. Kohler Sarah A. Kohler

Enclosures

cc: Service List

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing Proposed Budget 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 30th day of November, 2010.

## /s/ Sarah A. Kohler Sarah A. Kohler

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#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### **OF OREGON**

**UE 177(4)** 

In the Matter of	)
OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY STAFF	)
Requesting the Commission Direct	) ) ) PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ISSUE
PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY,	FUND GRANT OF THE INDUSTRIAI 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(4) for an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$33,960. ICNU proposes that this grant be funded from the 2011 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(4).

These proceedings deal with the review of PacifiCorp's 2009 tax report for the automatic adjustment clause pursuant to Senate Bill ("SB") 408. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding

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as "any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public

Utilities." IFA, Section 1(c). UE 177(4) directly affects PacifiCorp, which falls under the

definition of "Participating Public Utility" in Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, UE 177(4) 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 attend all workshops, settlement conferences, hearings, and oral

arguments, if any, in UE 177(4). In addition, ICNU intends to sponsor expert testimony and

briefs as called for by the procedural schedule in this Docket.

(2) Description of the areas to be investigated by ICNU:

ICNU intends to investigate whether PacifiCorp's 2009 tax report is appropriate

pursuant to SB 408, in a manner that is consistent with the legislature's intent in enacting

SB 408.

(3) Description of the particular customer class or classes that will benefit from the

intervenor's participation:

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

residential customers who purchase service from PacifiCorp in Oregon.

(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 \$33,960. ICNU proposes

that the grant amount be allocated from the 2011 PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account established

under IFA Section 4.2.3. ICNU anticipates that the 2011 PacifiCorp Issue Fund will have

approximately \$125,000.

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(5) Budget showing estimated attorney and consultant fees and expert witness fees:

Attached as Exhibit A is ICNU's proposed budget in UE 177(4). The proposed

budget assumes a fully litigated case. In the event some or all of the issues in the case are

settled, ICNU's actual cost may be lower.

(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. UE 177(4) involves analysis of PacifiCorp's 2009 tax report filing

pursuant to SB 408. As a result, UE 177(4) has a direct impact on all customers of PacifiCorp in

Oregon.

2. UE 177(4) could have a significant impact on customer rates. The

Commission should solicit as much input as possible from customers.

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.

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DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C. 333 S.W. Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204 Therefore, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order granting an issue fund grant in the amount specified above.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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## UE 177(4) Exhibit A

#### ICNU Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant

Category	<u>Personnel</u>	Hours	Rate	Cost
Discovery	Sr. Attorney	4	225.00	900.00
Draft data requests, respond to data	Assoc. Attorney	5	185.00	925.00
requests, organize discovery, review discovery responses, discovery disputes, depositions	Paralegal	4	125.00	500.00
Case Preparation	Sr. Attorney	6	225.00	1,350.00
Review filings and testimony, legal	Assoc. Attorney	5	185.00	925.00
research, develop case strategy, prepare testimony, communications with expert witnesses, prepare issue statements	Paralegal	2	125.00	250.00
<b>Procedural Matters</b> Draft and review pleadings, hearings regarding procedural issues	Sr. Attorney	5	225.00	1,125.00
	Assoc. Attorney	4	185.00	740.00
	Paralegal	2	125.00	250.00
Settlement	Sr. Attorney	5	225.00	1,125.00
Prepare for and attend settlement meetings, draft settlement documents	Assoc. Attorney	2	185.00	370.00
	Paralegal	1	125.00	125.00
Communication Meetings and communications with clients and third parties	Sr. Attorney	2	225.00	450.00
Hearings/Workshops	Sr. Attorney	8	225.00	1,800.00
Preparation and attendance at hearings, workshops and other Commission sponsored meetings	Assoc. Attorney	6	185.00	1,110.00
Briefing	Sr. Attorney	5	225.00	1,125.00
Draft briefs, legal research related to	Assoc. Attorney	8	185.00	1,480.00
briefs	Paralegal	2	125.00	250.00
	Total Hours	76	Sub-Total	14,800.00
Expert Consultant and Witness Fees				
Expert Consultant/Witness 1				25,000.00
Expenses			Sub-Total	25,000.00
Expert/Consultant Expenses				2,500.00
Printing and Reproduction				150.00
			Sub-Total	2,650.00
		<u>G</u>	rand Total	42,450.00

In-House Resources

20% of Eligible Expenses

8,490.00

ICNU PacifiCorp Issue Fund Grant Budget Eligibility: \$ 33,960.00

Total ICNU PacifiCorp Issue Fund Grant Proposed Budget: \$\ 33,960.00