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Public Utility Commission 550 Capitol Street NE #215 Salem, OR 97301-2551

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- 2. Up until this time, PacifiCorp has been proceeding with the expectation that Commission review of the draft RFP 2009 could be concluded within the requested timeframe. PacifiCorp has received questions on its draft RFP 2009 and posted responses on its website at www.pacificorp.com.
- 3. As part of its routine IRP update process, PacifiCorp is currently undertaking a review and update of its resource assumptions. PacifiCorp expects to complete that update and file the results during October 2005. Initial indications from the update to PacifiCorp's forecasted resource gap are that load curtailment renewals and Qualifying Facilities contract assumptions will reduce or delay the need for 2009. Deferral of the time for a Commission order in this proceeding will provide PacifiCorp with an opportunity to ascertain what impact, if any, there will be to the amount and/or timing of the 2009 need and communicate with all parties. An extension of approximately 30 days is appropriate at this point so as not to jeopardize the ability to go forward with the RFP if necessary in a timely manner.

4. For these reasons, PacifiCorp requests that the RFP review process be delayed by approximately 30 days. While no formal schedule has been adopted by the Commission in this proceeding at this point, Order No. 91-1383 contemplates that the review process for draft RFPs will be approximately 60 days with a Commission public meeting for Staff and party comment. (Order No. 91-1383 at 8.) In light of the reasons set forth in this letter, PacifiCorp requests that the Commission consideration of the draft RFP 2009 be conducted at the October 25, 2005 Commission public meeting.

If the Commission or its Staff has any questions with respect to this filing, please contact the undersigned at (801) 220-2190 or Laura Beane, Oregon State Manager, at (503) 813-5542.

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