



UM 2183

RFP for Independent Evaluator of PacifiCorp's Coal Plant Decommissioning Cost Estimates

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Purpose of UM 2183 Proceeding



- Parties implement direction from Commission regarding investigation into decommissioning cost estimates for eight PacifiCorp coal plants
 - Robust review and verification of cost estimates is critical
 - Record in UE 374 inadequate to establish final decommissioning costs
 - Determine how to ensure transparency for future cost estimate study for four plants
- Establish record upon which Commission can establish final decommissioning cost estimates
 - “[W]e find the record of this [UM 374] proceeding is inadequate to establish final decommissioning costs. Accordingly, we will open a separate proceeding to determine final decommissioning cost estimates.” (Page 17 of Order No. 20-473)

Time Required To Date for Process Leading to RFP for IE



- December 18, 2020 Commission issues Order No. 20-473 in Docket No. UE 374
- January 2021 – May 2021 Multiple meetings/discussions with Oregon Parties and PacifiCorp
- July 8, 2021 PacifiCorp files testimony in Docket No. UM 2183
- August 30, 2021 Prehearing Conference
- August 2021 – March 2022 Identification of who hires IE and reach resolution of RFP language
- May 2022 Take RFP to Public Meeting



Staff's View of UM 2183 Milestones



- May 2022 Commission authorization of RFP for IE
- Late June/July? Contract with IE finalized
- Late Q3/early Q4? IE files report and associated materials
- TBD Second prehearing conference for Scheduling and certain procedural details
- Q4/early Q1 2023? Parties conduct discovery and file testimony



Coal Plant Status



Plant: Unit(s)	In Kiewit Studies?	Common Closure?	Current Closure	Oregon Exit per 20-473
Colstrip: 3 & 4	Yes	Yes	2025	2027
Craig	No	No	2025/2028	2025/2026
Dave Johnston	Yes	Yes	2027	2027
Hayden	Yes	N/A	2028/2027	N/A
Hunter	Yes	No	2042	Not requested
Huntington	Yes	No	2036	Not requested
Jim Bridger: 1 & 2	Yes	No	2023/2025 (convert)	2023 (1)/N/A (2)
Jim Bridger: 3	Yes	No	2037	N/A
Jim Bridger: 4	Yes	No	2037	N/A
Naughton: 1 & 2	Yes	Yes	2025	2025
Wyodak	Yes	No	2039	Not requested
9 Total Plants	8 Plants Included	3 are 100% “Yes”	5 prior to 2030	

Features of New RFP



- IE's ability to communicate with Kiewit to discuss methodology and process used in estimate development (page 2)
- IE's ability to submit information requests to PacifiCorp and to Kiewit regarding specific information (page 2)
 - Subject to and in accordance with the terms of any UM 2183 protective orders
- IE's development of independent cost estimates where IE (page 4)
 - Identifies that estimate in Kiewit Studies does not represent a reasonable AACE International Class 3 cost estimate
 - Estimates to reflect amounts/information known as of Q4 2019 (pages 1 and 2)
 - Believes an estimate should have been included, given the scope of the Kiewit Studies, and was not
- Ultimate payment for IE by PacifiCorp's Oregon customers only