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

Attn: Filing Center

RE: UE 217 - PacifiCorp's Motion for a Protective Order

Expedited Consideration Requested

PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power ("PacifiCorp or the Company") encloses for filing a Motion for Protective Order in the above-reference matter.

Please contact Joelle Steward, Regulatory Manager, at (503) 813-5542 for questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrea L. Kelly

Vice President, Regulation

Enclosure

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER's Request for a General Rate Increase in the Company's Oregon Annual Revenues

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Expedited Consideration Requested

Pursuant to ORCP 36(C)(7) and OAR 860-012-0035(1)(k), PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power ("Company") moves for entry of the Commission's standard protective order in this proceeding. The Company requests expedited consideration of this Motion in order to allow parties that execute the protective order to obtain prompt access to the confidential testimony filed in support of the request and to expedite any discovery in this proceeding. Good cause exists to issue a Protective Order to protect commercially sensitive and confidential business information related to the Company's request for a general rate increase. In support of this Motion, the Company states:

1. The Commission's rules authorize PacifiCorp to seek reasonable restrictions on discovery of sensitive commercial information and other confidential business information. See OAR 860-11-000(3) (adopting Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure ("ORCP"); ORCP 36(C)(7) (providing protection against unrestricted discovery of "trade secrets or other confidential research, development, or commercial information"). See also In re Investigation into the Cost of Providing Telecommunication Service, Docket UM 351, Order No. 91-500 (1991) (recognizing that protective orders are a reasonable means to protect "the rights of a party to trade secrets and other confidential commercial information" and "to facilitate the communication of information between litigants").

proprietary cost data and models, commercially sensitive load and resource projections, confidential market analyses and business projections, confidential employee data, and confidential information regarding contracts for the purchase or sale of electric power,

The Company anticipates that parties to this docket may request

5 power services, or fuel. This confidential business information is of significant

commercial value, which could expose the Company to competitive injury if disclosure

is unrestricted.

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3. It is substantially likely that Staff and others parties in this proceeding will seek to discover a large amount of information held by PacifiCorp, including confidential business information. "The Commission's standard blanket protective order is designed to facilitate discovery in cases involving discovery of large numbers of documents." *See In re Portland Extended Area Service Region*, Docket UM 261, Order No. 91-958 (1991). Issuance of a protective order will facilitate the production of relevant information and expedite the discovery process.

4. The Company requests expedited consideration of this Motion to allow parties who execute the protective order to obtain prompt access to the confidential exhibits and workpapers in support of the Company's request for a general rate increase and to expedite any discovery in this proceeding.

For the foregoing reasons, PacifiCorp requests expedited entry of the Commission's standard protective order in this docket.

DATED: March 2, 2010.

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