

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 171

In the Matter of PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT (d/b/a PacifiCorp) Klamath Basin Irrigation Rates)))) _____)	PETITION TO INTERVENE BY UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AND US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
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NATURE AND INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING: Reclamation is a party to the "historic On-Project contract" with PacifiCorp that is the subject of UE-171. Both Reclamation and the Service benefit from the current power rates under the "On-Project" contract between the United States and PacifiCorp and will be affected by the proposed rate increase. In addition, both Reclamation and PacifiCorp are parties to the ongoing proceeding before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) regarding relicensing of PacifiCorp's hydroproject on the Klamath River. The On-Project" contract is incorporated into the current FERC license for PacifiCorp.

THE ISSUES THE PETITIONER INTENDS TO RAISE AT THE PROCEEDING: Whether the OPUC should defer the issue raised in docket UE-171 until that issue is resolved in the ongoing relicensing process now before FERC because the "On-Project" contract is subject to FERC as it is a term and condition of the current FERC license.

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING FOR PACIFICORP'S HYDRO PROJECT: Reclamation is a party to the "On-Project" contract and has significant knowledge and experience related to the contract as the manager of the Klamath Project.

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, Petitioner requests to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. We have been made aware that Petitions to Intervene were to be filed in March 2005. While this petition may be filed after the deadline, we believe our interest in this proceeding supports our participation at this time. Further, we understand that responses to PacifiCorp's Motion for Summary Disposition that addresses the "single issue" in UE-171 is due on April 28, 2005. We are, at this time, not asking for any additional time and intend to file our response by April 28, 2005. Thus, we believe our participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-013-0021. Respectfully submitted.

/s/

Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

Date