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Via electronic and US Mail

Filing Center Administrative Hearings Division Public Utility Commission of Oregon PO Box 2148 Salem, OR 97308-2148

Re: In the Matter of PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT Application for a Deferred Accounting Order Regarding Certain Tax Expenses **Docket No. UM 1229**

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original and two copies of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities' Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced proceeding.

Please return one file-stamped copy in the enclosed, postage-prepaid envelope. Please call me if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

<u>/s/ Christian Griffen</u> Christian W. Griffen

Enclosures cc: Service List

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1229

In the Matter of)
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT (dba PACIFICORP))))
Application for a Deferred Accounting Order Regarding Certain Tax Expenses.)))

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-013-0021, the Industrial Customers

of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU") hereby petitions the Oregon Public Utility Commission

("Commission") to intervene in this proceeding with full party status as described in OAR § 860-

011-0035(5). In support of this petition, ICNU represents as follows:

1. The business address of ICNU is:

Michael Early Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities 333 S.W. Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204

2. ICNU will be represented in this proceeding by Davison Van Cleve, P.C.

All documents relating to these proceedings should be served on ICNU's attorneys and

consultant at the following addresses:

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3. ICNU is an incorporated, non-profit association of large industrial electric customers in the Pacific Northwest, with offices in Portland, Oregon. A list of ICNU members is included as Attachment A. Many members of ICNU are customers of PacifiCorp, as indicated on Attachment A.

4. ICNU has a substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding. PacifiCorp is requesting authorization to defer the amounts related to tax expenses that the Commission removed from PacifiCorp's rates in Order No. 05-1050. PacifiCorp is seeking to pass on to future customers, through an amortization of deferred tax expenses, amounts that the Company claims that it is incurring for current customers. ICNU believes that PacifiCorp's request is inconsistent with the deferred accounting statute and the Commission's standards regarding deferrals, and it is an impermissible challenge to a lawful Commission order. The Commission-approved rates removed these amounts to ensure that the estimated taxes included in PacifiCorp's rates align with the amount that PacifiCorp will eventually pay to the taxing authorities.

ICNU represents the interests of many of PacifiCorp's largest customers.
ICNU has participated in all of PacifiCorp's general rate cases since Docket No. UE 94. ICNU's

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DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C. 333 S.W. Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204 Telephone: (503) 241-7242 intervention in these proceedings will assist the Commission in resolving the issues in this proceeding and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay this proceeding.

6. As described above, ICNU has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding that will not be adequately represented by any other party, and may be affected by any Commission determination made in connection with these proceedings. It is in the public interest to allow ICNU to intervene in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition to intervene with full party status in this proceeding.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C.

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ATTACHMENT A INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES

Air Liquide Air Products BPB Gypsum, Inc. Blue Heron Paper Company Boeing *Boise Cascade CNC Containers, Northwest Chemi-Con Materials Corporation Dyno Nobel, Inc. *ConAgra Foods Eka Chemicals, Inc. *Evanite Fiber *Georgia-Pacific Grays Harbor Paper, L.P. *Hewlett-Packard Inland Empire Paper Co. Intel *J.R. Simplot Kimberly-Clark Corporation Longview Fibre Microsoft Corporation *Norpac Foods Noveon Kalama, Inc. **Oregon Steel Mills** PCC Structurals, Inc. Ponderay Newsprint Co Shell Oil Products US Simpson Paper Simpson Timber Solar Grade Silicon LLC Tesoro Refining and Marketing Co. *Wah Chang West Linn Paper Company *Weyerhaeuser

*Denotes PacifiCorp Customers

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served a copy of the Industrial

Customers of Northwest Utilities' Petition to Intervene upon the parties on the service list,

shown below, by causing the same to be mailed, postage-prepaid, through the U.S. Mail.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 7th day of December, 2005.

<u>/s/ Christian Griffen</u> Christian W. Griffen

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