COMPANY NAME: PacifiCorp
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January 29, 2024

## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
201 High Street SE, Suite 100
Salem, OR 97301-3398

## Re: RE 185—PacifiCorp's Final COVID-19 Costs, Savings, and Benefits Quarterly Report-Q4 2023

In compliance with the Stipulated Agreement on the Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Energy Utility Customers approved by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) in Order No. 20-401, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (PacifiCorp or Company) submits its final quarterly report itemizing the Company's costs, savings, and benefits resulting from COVID-19. The Company believes it is most meaningful to provide the information for the cumulative period of March 1, 2020, through December 31, 2023, rather than only the quarter ended December 31, 2023.

## Bad Debt Expense

The Company is specifically tracking bad debt expense (FERC account 904) through December 31, 2022. The Company calculates a provision for estimated bad debt expense on a monthly basis using historical write-offs (net of recoveries) as a percentage of the respective aging bucket. Those percentages are then applied to current aging buckets. The results of this monthly provision exercise, coupled with actual write-offs and recoveries, represents total bad debt expense. The Company estimates that Oregon bad debt expense is $\$ 5,393,667$ higher for the period of March 1, 2020, through December 31, 2022, than the amount collected in rates during that same time period due to the impacts of COVID-19. Please refer to Attachment A to this quarterly report for details.

## Waived Late Fees

The Company estimates it has waived approximately $\$ 10$ million of late fees for Oregon customers through September 30, 2022, using the methodology defined in the Stipulated Agreement. The Company resumed collection of late fees on October 1, 2022.

## Waived Reconnection Fees

For the period of March 13, 2020, through December 31, 2020, the Company has waived $\$ 238$ in reconnection fees.

## Bill Payment Assistance Funds

PacifiCorp's COVID-19 bill payment assistance program started in the second quarter of 2021. The Company incurred $\$ 13,075,724$ in costs for this program through December 31, 2023.

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## Additional Costs and Savings

The Company has identified the following additional costs and savings directly related to the Company's actions to ensure safe working conditions for employees (amounts are through December 31, 2023):

|  | Total Company | Oregon Allocated |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Increased labor and facility <br> costs to enable social <br> distancing | $\$ 2,234,464$ |  |
| Increased costs for personal <br> protective equipment, <br> cleaning supplies and contact <br> tracing | $\$ 2,344,426$ | $\$ 620,502$ |
| Increased technology costs to <br> enable employees to work <br> from home | $\$ 503,870$ | $\$ 651,038$ |
| Reduced employee expenses <br> related to travel and training | $(\$ 14,891,103)$ | $(\$ 4,135,200)$ |
| CARES Act savings | $(\$ 467,025)$ | $(\$ 129,691)$ |

It is respectfully requested that all formal data requests regarding this matter be addressed to:
By email (preferred): datarequest@pacificorp.com
By regular mail: $\quad$ Data Request Response Center
PacifiCorp
825 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 2000
Portland, OR 97232
Please direct any informal questions about this filing to Cathie Allen, Regulatory Affairs Manager, at (503) 813-5934.

Sincerely,


Matthew MoVe
Vice President, Regulatory Policy and Operations
Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

| Oregon Accounts Receivable Balances |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sum of Days 0 to 30 |  | Sum of Days 31 to 60 |  | Sum of Days 61 to 90 |  | Sum of Days 91 to150 |  | Sum of Days 151to 270 |  | Sum of 2720 Days |  | Total |  |
| 12/31/2023 | \$ | 82,613,935.04 | S | 12,873,054.67 | \$ | 6,114,187.98 | \$ | 7,388,182.69 | S | 7,262,908.77 | \$ | 12,858,004.41 | \$ | 129,110,273.56 |
| $\%$ of total |  | 64.0\% |  | 10.0\% |  | 4.7\% |  | 5.7\% |  | 5.6\% |  | 10.0\% |  | 100\% |
| 12/31/2019 | \$ | 66,837,268.58 | s | 8,881,611.25 | s | 2,890,661.63 | \$ | 2,637,427.00 | s | 1,706,159.28 | \$ | 879,780.89 | s | 83,832,908.63 |
| \% of total |  | 79.7\% |  | 10.6\% |  | 3.4\% |  | 3.1\% |  | 2.0\% |  | 1.0\% |  | 100\% |
| Increase (Decrease) 2023 vs 2019 |  | 23.6\% |  | 44.9\% |  | 111.5\% |  | 180.1\% |  | 325.7\% |  | 1361.5\% |  | 54.0\% |
| Historic ( $12 / 31 / 199 \%$ of aging bucket written off |  | 0.6\% |  | 3.0\% |  | 8.1\% |  | 19.7\% |  | 46.2\% |  | 44.0\% |  | NA |

## Oregon Bad Debt Exense

| 2022 | January |  | February |  | March |  | April |  | May |  | June |  | July |  | August |  | September |  | October |  | November |  | December |  | Total YTD |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bad Dett Provision | s | . | s | (299,031) | s | (37,842) | \$ | 200,941 | \$ | 28,707 | s | 234,291 | \$ | 325,925 | s | 151,007 | s | (156,971) | \$ | (159,363) | s | (327,178) | \$ | (127,408) | \$ | (166,922) |
| Write-offs |  | 710,504 |  | 663,317 |  | 691,435 |  | 1,056,352 |  | 1,224,660 |  | 905,192 |  | 880,922 |  | 820,775 |  | 714,445 |  | 806,430 |  | 923,981 |  | 838,708 | \$ | 10,236,720 |
| Recoveries |  | (159,910) |  | (177,025) |  | (184,210) |  | (213,951) |  | (167,150) |  | (134,660) |  | (169,668) |  | $(177,773)$ |  | (157,043) |  | (160,847) |  | (201,104) |  | (156,479) | \$ | (2,059,821) |
| Oregon total Bad Debt Expense | s | 550,594 | \$ | 187,261 | \$ | 469,382 | \$ | 1,043,342 | \$ | 1,086,217 | \$ | 1,004,823 | \$ | 1,037,178 | \$ | 794,009 | \$ | 400,431 | s | 486,220 | s | 395,699 | \$ | 554,821 | s | 8,009,977 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2021 |  | January |  | February |  | March |  | April |  | May |  | June |  | July |  | August |  | ember |  | ober |  | mber |  | ember |  | Total YTD |
| Bad Debt Provision | s | 121,010 | s | 78,396 | \$ | 687,824 | \$ | 265,806 | \$ | 276,539 | \$ | 394,821 | \$ | 450,319 | \$ | 97,211 | s | 13,228 | \$ | (469,762) | s | (83,145) |  | (457,827) | \$ | 1,374,420 |
| Writ-offs |  | 408,425 |  | 529,284 |  | 558,004 |  | 413,834 |  | 396,503 |  | 460,712 |  | 519,153 |  | 593,312 |  | 721,458 |  | 875,319 |  | 476,563 |  | 635,892 | \$ | 6,588,459 |
| Recoveries |  | (201,390) |  | (199,754) |  | (310,421) |  | (224,513) |  | (189,687) |  | (196,487) |  | (172,832) |  | (150,735) |  | (226,603) |  | (169,637) |  | (197,606) |  | (133,727) | S | (2,373,392) |
| Oregon total Bad Debt Expense | \$ | 328,045 | \$ | 407,926 | \$ | 935,407 | \$ | 455,127 | \$ | 483,355 | \$ | 659,046 |  | 796,640 | \$ | 539,788 | s | 508,083 | \$ | 235,920 | s | 195,812 | \$ | 44,338 | \$ | 5,589,487 |
| YTD Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | s | 1,256,400,000 |
| Bad debt as a\% of Revenue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.44\% |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Average 2010-2019 (informational } \\ \text { purposes) }\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | . $43 \%$ |



