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Public Utility Commission of Oregon 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 Salem, OR 97301-1166

Attn: Filing Center

RE: Docket UM 1102—Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting

Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants

PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power encloses for filing in the above-referenced docket its Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants.

If you have any questions, please contact Erin Apperson, Manager, Regulatory Affairs, at (503) 813-6642.

Sincerely,

R. Bryce Dalley

Vice President, Regulation

Enclosures

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I served a true and correct copy of PacifiCorp's Notice of Application on the parties listed below via electronic mail in compliance with OAR 860-001-0180.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 1102(12)

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER

Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants.

APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION OF DEFERRED ACCOUNTING

1	Under ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300, PacifiCorp, d/b/a Pacific Power
2	(PacifiCorp or Company), files this application (Application) with the Public Utility
3	Commission of Oregon (Commission) for an order reauthorizing the Company to record and
4	defer, on an ongoing basis, the cost of intervenor funding grants under ORS 757.259(3). The
5	Company respectfully requests reauthorization for a 12-month period commencing August 1,
6	2015.
7	In support of this Application, and in accordance with OAR 860-027-0300(3) and (4),
8	PacifiCorp states:
9	A. PacifiCorp
9 10	A. PacifiCorp PacifiCorp is a public utility in the state of Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of
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10	PacifiCorp is a public utility in the state of Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of
10 11	PacifiCorp is a public utility in the state of Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to rates, service, and accounting practices. PacifiCorp also
10 11 12	PacifiCorp is a public utility in the state of Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to rates, service, and accounting practices. PacifiCorp also provides retail electricity service in the states of California, Idaho, Utah, Washington, and
10 11 12 13	PacifiCorp is a public utility in the state of Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to rates, service, and accounting practices. PacifiCorp also provides retail electricity service in the states of California, Idaho, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

- allows for deferral of amounts provided in accordance with a financial assistance agreement entered into under ORS 757.072.
- 3 C. Communications
- 4 Communications regarding this Application should be addressed to:

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- 5 In addition, PacifiCorp requests that all data requests regarding this Application be
- 6 sent to the following:
- 7 By email (preferred): <u>datarequest@pacificorp.com</u>
- 8 By regular mail: Data Request Response Center

PacifiCorp

10 825 NE Multnomah, Suite 2000

Portland, Oregon 97232

- 12 Informal questions may be directed to Erin Apperson, Manager of Regulatory Affairs
- 13 at (503) 813-6642.
- 14 D. Basis for Application
- 15 1. Statutory Authority
- ORS 757.072 authorizes the Commission to approve an agreement between an energy
- 17 utility and a customer organization for intervenor funding. ORS 757.259(3) allows a utility to
- 18 recover intervenor funding in rates through deferred accounting:
- Upon request of the public utility, the commission by order shall allow deferral of amounts provided as financial assistance
- 21 under an agreement entered into under ORS 757.072 for later
- 22 incorporation in rates.

- 1 Deferred amounts under ORS 757.259(3) are not subject to the percentage of gross revenues
- 2 limitation on amortization or other provisions of subsections (5), (6), (7), and (8) of ORS
- 3 757.259.

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2. Commission Approval of the Intervenor Funding Agreement

- On July 2, 2003, pursuant to section 2 of the Intervenor Funding Act, the Commission
- 6 issued Order No. 03-388 in Docket AR 462, which, among other things, approved the
- 7 Intervenor Funding Agreement among PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company,
- 8 Northwest Natural Gas Company, Northwest Industrial Gas Users, Citizens' Utility Board of
- 9 Oregon (CUB), and Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU), dated February 5,
- 10 2003. On December 19, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 07-564 in Docket UM 1357
- approving the amended and restated Intervenor Funding Agreement that extended intervenor
- funding until December 31, 2012. On November 20, 2012, the Commission issued Order No.
- 13 12-452 in Docket UM 1357 approving the second amended and restated Intervenor Funding
- 14 Agreement (the Intervenor Funding Agreement) that extended intervenor funding until
- December 31, 2017. The Intervenor Funding Agreement sets forth the amount of funding to
- be contributed by each utility and the procedures for budget submittals by intervenors,
- 17 Commission approval of budgets, and the payment of grants by utilities. Additionally, the
- 18 Intervenor Funding Agreement allows intervenors to request grants at any time during the
- 19 calendar year.

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E. Request for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting

- 21 Under the instant docket, the Commission issued a series of orders authorizing
- 22 PacifiCorp's deferral of Intervenor Funding Agreement costs. The Commission originally
- 23 authorized deferral of the Intervenor Funding Agreement costs beginning September 17,

- 1 2003, in Order 03-560. The Commission has reauthorized this deferral annually, most
- 2 recently in Order No. 14-299, which reauthorized the deferral through July 31, 2015. The
- 3 Company seeks reauthorization of this deferral for a 12-month period beginning August 1,
- 4 2015.

5 F. Amounts Subject to Deferral

The Company anticipates that the maximum amounts to be deferred during the 12-

7 month period beginning August 1, 2015 will be as shown below.

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CUB Fund	\$ 66,125
Preauthorized Matching Fund	\$ 66,125
Issue Fund	<u>\$143,750</u>
Total	\$276,000

8 G. Accounting

Fund

- 9 The Company proposes to record payment of Intervenor Funding Grants in Account
- 10 182.3 Other Regulatory Assets. In the absence of approval of deferred accounting, the
- 11 Company would expense the amounts through FERC account 928 Regulatory Commission
- 12 Expenses.

13 H. Description and Explanation of Entries in the Deferred Account to Date

- 14 Attachment B provides the most recent entries in the deferred account to date of the
- 15 Application. These entries are for amounts paid to intervenors as ordered by the Commission
- pursuant to the Intervenor Funding Agreement adopted by Order No. 12-452.

¹ See Order No. 05-862 (entered July 18, 2005), Order No. 06-251 (entered May 25, 2006), Order No. 07-268 (entered June 11, 2007), Order No. 08-324 (entered June 13, 2008), Order No. 09-304 (entered August 3, 2009), in Order No. 10-323 (entered August 17, 2010), Order No. 11-388 (entered September 30, 2011), Order No. 12-364 (entered September 25, 2012), and Order No. 13-294 (entered August 20, 2013).

I. Reasons for Continuation of Deferred Accounting

- 2 The Company requests the continuation of deferred accounting in order to seek future
- 3 recovery of amounts approved pursuant to Order No. 14-299.

4 J. Use of Sub-accounts

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- 5 Ordering paragraph 2 of Order No. 10-323, Docket UM 1102, requires the Company
- 6 to separately account for each type of grant. The Company tracks intervenor funding grants
- 7 by grant type through different internal order numbers. Issue fund grant amounts paid to
- 8 ICNU are tracked through internal order number 313374. Issue fund grant amounts paid to
- 9 CUB are tracked through internal order number 313431. Matching fund grant amounts paid
- 10 to ICNU are tracked through internal order number 313430. Matching fund grant amounts
- paid to CUB are tracked through internal order number 313429.

12 H. Notice

- 13 A copy of the Notice of the Application of PacifiCorp for Reauthorization of
- 14 Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants is included with this Application
- as Attachment A. This notice will be served to the service list from the Company's most
- 16 recent general rate case.
- WHEREFORE, PacifiCorp respectfully requests that in accordance with ORS
- 18 757.259(3), the Commission reauthorize the Company to record and defer, on an ongoing
- basis and commencing as of August 1, 2015, Intervenor Funding Grants incurred by the
- 20 Company pursuant to the Intervenor Funding Agreement, as described in this Application.

DATED: July 30, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Etta Lockey, OSB #115826 Senior Counsel Pacific Power

ATTACHMENT A NOTICE

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 1102(12)

In the Matter

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER

Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants.

Notice of Application for Reauthorization to Defer Intervenor Funding Costs

On July 30, 2015, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (Pacific Power) filed an Application with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) for an order reauthorizing deferral of intervenor funding costs. Approval of Pacific Power's Application will not authorize a change in rates, but will permit the Commission to consider allowing such deferred amounts in rates in a subsequent proceeding. Persons who wish to obtain a copy of Pacific Power's filing should contact the following:

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Any person who wishes to submit written comments to the Commission must do so no later than August 20, 2015.

DATED: July 30, 2015.

Etta Lockey, OSB #115826

Senior Counsel

Pacific Power

ATTACHMENT B ENTRIES IN DEFERRED ACCOUNT TO DATE

Oregon Deferred Intervenor F	unding Grants S	ummary			
Account #187952					
Oct 10- Sept 15			.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
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	Posting		Internal		
New Funding Grants Paid	Date	Amount	Order No.	Commission Order (if have)	
ICNU Issue Fund	9/16/10	19,003.14	313374	UE 219	SB76, Klamath Dams
CUB Issue Fund Grant	10/11/10	15,740.00	313431	UE 219, Order No. 10-251	SB76, Klamath Dams
CUB Issue Fund Grant	12/16/10	12,191.00	313431	UE 217, Order No. 10-468	2010 GRC
CUB Issue Fund Grant	1/24/11	57,500.00	313431		2012 Funding Grants
ICNU Matching Fund	1/26/11	57,500.00	313430		2012 Funding Grants
ICNU Issue Fund	1/26/11	8,045.24	313374	UE 216, Order No. 11-033	2011 TAM
ICNU Issue Fund	4/19/11	33,960.00	313374	UE 177(4)	SB408 & MCBIT Inc Tax Adj
ICNU Issue Fund	5/12/11	37,724.71	313374	UM 1050, Order No. 11-169	Revised Protocol Allocation Methodology
CUB Issue Fund Grant	6/22/11	2,847.71	313431	(See Below)	
CUB Issue Fund Grant	7/7/11	15,330.00	313431	UM 1050, Order No. 11-198	Revised Protocol Allocation Methodology
ICNU Issue Fund	8/18/11	4,845.00	313374	UE 227, Order No. 11-322	2012 TAM
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/14/11	(2,847.71)	313431	(Reversal of amount above)	
ICNU Matching Fund	9/26/11	57,500.00	313430	UM 1357	2013 Funding Grants
CUB Issue Fund Grant	11/7/11	13,653.00	313431	UE 227, Order No. 11-418	2012 TAM
CUB Issue Fund Grant	11/16/11	2,500.00	313431	UM 1415, Order No. 11-437	Developing Electric Rate Spreads
CUB Issue Fund Grant	12/19/11	15,580.00	313431	LC 52, Order No. 11-487	2011 IRP
CUB Funding Grant	1/19/12	57,500.00	313429	UM1357(33), Order No. 12-009	2012 Funding Grants
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/9/12	6,819.00	313431	UE 245, Order No. 12-314	2012 TAM
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/10/12	35,000.00	313431	UE 246, Order No. 12-315	2012 GRC
ICNU Issue Fund	9/10/12	30,000.00	313374	UE 245, Order No. 12-329	2012 TAM
ICNU Issue Fund	11/23/12	24,000.00	313374	UE 246, Order No. 12-157	2012 GRC
ICNU Matching Fund	11/27/12	57,500.00	313430	UM 1357(37), Order No. 12-462	2013 Funding Grants
CUB Issue Fund Grant	11/27/12	22,711.00	313431	UE 246, Order No. 12-463	2012 GRC
CUB Issue Fund Grant	1/31/13	66,125.00	313431	UM 1357(41), Order No. 13-002	OMAG reclass
ICNU Issue Fund	3/31/13	407.00	313374	UM 1587	Direct Access
ICNU Issue Fund	4/1/13	6,895.65	313374	UM 1570	RPS
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/18/13	9,274.00	313431	UE 264, Order No. 13-315	2014 TAM
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/18/13	19,855.81	313431	UE 263, Order No. 13-316	GRC
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/18/13	2,356.40	313431	UM 1182, Order No. 13-313	Competitive Bidding
CUB Issue Fund Grant	9/18/13	1,785.00	313431	UM 1647, Order No. 13-314	Depreciation Rates
ICNU Issue Fund	10/14/13	28,352.19	313374	UE263, Order No. 13-364	2013 GRC
ICNU Issue Fund	10/14/13	30,248.81	313374	UE264, Order No. 13-365	2014 TAM
CUB Issue Fund Grant	10/14/13	30,270.00	313431	LC57, Order No. 13-368	2013 IRP
ICNU Issue Fund	11/17/13	5,312.12	313374	UM1616, Order No. 13-414	2013 RPS
ICNU Issue Fund	11/17/13	6,995.77	313374	UM1633	Pension Costs in Utility Rates
ICNU Issue Fund	2/9/14	17,388.68	313374	UM 1586(3), Order No. 13-383	MPI (Multi-State Process)
ICNU Issue Fund	2/9/14	5,300.00		UM 1633, Order No. 14-066	Pension Costs in Utility Rates
CUB Issue Fund Grant	2/9/14	8,333.00		UM 1633, Order No. 14-011	Pension Costs in Utility Rates
CUB Issue Fund Grant	2/9/14	66,125.00		UM 1586(4), Order No. 14-007	MPI (Multi-State Process)
CUB Issue Fund Grant	3/9/2014	7,454.00		UM 1586(5), Order No. 14-047	MPI (Multi-State Process)
ICNU Matching Fund	4/21/2014	31,297.65		UM 1357	2014 Funding Grants
ICNU Issue Fund	5/8/2014	8,304.23		UM 1633, Order No. 14-143	Pension Costs in Utility Rates
CUB Issue Fund Grant	6/8/2014	8,333.00		UM 1633, Order No. 14-172	Pension Costs in Utility Rates
CUB Issue Fund Grant	8/12/2014	18,987.00		LC 57, Order No. 14-284	2013 Integrated Resource Plan
ICNU Issue Fund	9/11/2014	22,046.06		UE 287, Order No. 14-308	2015 TAM
ICNU Issue Fund	9/11/2014	14,712.90		UM 1689, Order No. 14-310	Energy Imbalance Market
ICNU Issue Fund	11/25/2014	17,604.53		UM 1586(4), Order No. 14-412	Multi-State Process (MSP)
CUB Issue Fund Grant	11/25/2014	3,732.56		UM 1689, Order No. 14-408	Energy Imbalance Market
CUB Issue Fund Grant	11/25/2014	6,224.00		UM 1586(6), Order No. 14-410	Multi-State Process (MSP)
CUB Issue Fund Grant	12/8/2014	9,588.91		UE 287, Order No. 14-413	2015 Transition Adjustment Mechanism
CUB Issue Fund Grant	12/14/2014	3,224.50		UM 1690	Voluntary Renewable Energy Tariffs-Non Res.
ICNU Issue Fund	12/29/2014	542.48		UE 287, Order No. 14-439	2015 Transition Adjustment Mechanism
ICNU Issue Fund	12/29/2014	541.28		UM 1689, Order No. 14-440	Energy Imbalance Market
CUB Issue Fund Grant	1/13/2015	66,125.00		UM 1357(53), Order No. 15-001	2015 Intervenor Funding Agreement
ICNU Issue Fund	2/8/2015	24,717.28		UM 1633, Order No. 15-034	Pension Costs in Utility Rates
ICNU Issue Fund	2/8/2015	22,395.47		UM 1586(4), Order No. 15-035	Multi-State Process (MSP)
ICNU Issue Fund	4/8/2015	28,871.29		UM 1357 (58), Order No. 15-102	2014 Funding Grants
CUB Issue Fund Grant	6/22/2015	775.50		UM 1690, VRET, Order No. 15-187	Voluntary Renewable Energy Tariffs-Non Res.
CUB Issue Fund Grant	6/22/2015	14,933.52	313431	UM 1712, Order No. 15-172	Deer Creek