Portland, Oregon 97232



June 1, 2009

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

Attention: Filing Center

RE: Application of PacifiCorp

**Docket No. UM 1102(6)** 

Enclosed for filing by PacifiCorp dba, Pacific Power, is an Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants. Also attached is the Notice of Application by PacifiCorp, pursuant to OAR 860-027-0300(3)(e). An original and one copy will be provided via overnight delivery.

A copy of the Notice of Application will be sent to the service list for PacifiCorp's most recent general rate case, Docket UE 210, pursuant to OAR 860-027-0300(6).

The company respectfully requests that data requests regarding this matter be addressed to:

By E-mail (preferred): datarequest@pacificorp.com.

By regular mail: Data Request Response Center

**PacifiCorp** 

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Other questions with respect to this filing may be directed to Joelle Steward at (503) 813-5542.

Respectfully,

Andrea L. Kelly

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Service list for Docket No. UE-210

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served a true and correct copy of the Notice of Application to parties in Docket UE 210, on the date indicated below by email or US Mail if an email address has not been provided, addressed to said parties at his or her last-known address(es) indicated below.

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DATED: June 1, 2009.

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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 1102(6)

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFICORP for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF PACIFICORP

On June 1, 2009, Applicant PacifiCorp applied ("Application") to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon ("Commission") for reauthorization to use deferred accounting regarding intervenor funding grants. The Commission initially authorized PacifiCorp's deferred accounting for intervenor funding grants in Order No. 03-560. The Commission subsequently reauthorized this deferred accounting in Order Nos. 05-862, 06-251, 07-268 and 08-324.

On July 2, 2003, pursuant to section 2 of the Intervenor Funding Act, the Commission issued Order No. 03-388 in Docket No. AR 462, which, among other things, approved the Intervenor Funding Agreement among PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company, Northwest Natural Gas Company, Northwest Industrial Gas Users, Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon ("CUB"), and Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, dated February 5, 2003 (the "Intervenor Funding Agreement"). On December 19, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 07-564 in Docket No. UM 1357 approving the amended and restated Intervenor Funding Agreement that extends intervenor funding until December 31, 2012. The Intervenor Funding Agreement sets forth the amount of

funding to be contributed by each utility and the procedures for budget submittals by

intervenors, Commission approval of budgets, and the payment of grants by utilities.

Granting of the Application will not authorize a change in rates, but will permit

the Commission to consider allowing the deferred amounts in rates in a subsequent

proceeding.

A copy of the Application may be accessed through PacifiCorp's website at

www.pacificorp.com (Docket UM 1102) or by contacting Joelle Steward at (503) 813-

5542.

Any person may submit to the Commission written comments on the Application

in accordance with procedures set forth by the Commission. The deadline for submission

of comments is June 26, 2009.

**DATED:** June 1, 2009

Legal Counsel

Pacific Power

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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

# **UM 1102(6)**

In the Matter of the Application of PACIFICORP for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting Regarding Intervenor Funding Grants.

# APPLICATION OF PACIFICORP

1		Pursuant to ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300, PacifiCorp, d.b.a. Pacific
2	Powe	er (or "Company"), files this application ("Application") with the Public Utility
3	Com	mission of Oregon ("Commission") for an order reauthorizing the Company to
4	recor	d and defer, on an ongoing basis, the cost of intervenor funding grants under ORS
5	757.2	259(3). The Company respectfully requests reauthorization for a 12-month period
6	comr	nencing August 1, 2009.
7		In support of this Application, PacifiCorp states:
8	<b>A.</b>	PacifiCorp
9		PacifiCorp is a public utility in the state of Oregon and is subject to the
10	jurisd	liction of the Commission with regard to rates, service, and accounting practices.
11	Pacif	Corp also provides retail electricity service in the states of California, Idaho, Utah,
12	Wash	ington, and Wyoming.
13	В.	Statutory Authority
14		This Application is filed pursuant to ORS 757.259, which authorizes the deferral
15	of expenses or revenues of a public utility for later incorporation in rates.	
16	C.	Communications
17		Communications regarding this Application should be addressed to:

Application for Reauthorization of Intervenor Funding Deferral

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Michelle Mishoe Legal Counsel

1 In addition, PacifiCorp requests that all data requests regarding this Application

- 2 be sent to the following:
- 3 By email (preferred): datarequest@pacificorp.com
- 4 By regular mail: Data Request Response Center

5 PacifiCorp.

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- 8 Informal questions may be directed to Joelle Steward, Oregon Regulatory
- 9 Manager at (503) 813-5542.

#### 10 D. **Basis for Application**

- 11 1. **Statutory Authority**
- ORS 757.072 authorizes the Commission to approve an agreement between an 12
- 13 energy utility and a customer organization for intervenor funding. ORS 757.259(3)
- 14 allows a utility to recover intervenor funding in rates through deferred accounting:
- "Upon request of the public utility, the commission by 15
- order shall allow deferral of amounts provided as financial 16
- 17 assistance under an agreement entered into under ORS
- 757.072 for later incorporation in rates." 18
- 19 Deferred amounts under ORS 757.259(3) are not subject to the percentage of gross
- 20 revenues limitation on amortization or other provisions of subsections (5), (6), (7), and
- 21 (8) of ORS 757.259.

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#### 2. Commission Approval of the Intervenor Funding Agreement

Application for Reauthorization of Intervenor Funding Deferral

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- 2 Commission issued Order No. 03-388 in Docket AR 462, which, among other things,
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- 4 Electric Company, Northwest Natural Gas Company, Northwest Industrial Gas Users,
- 5 Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon ("CUB"), and Industrial Customers of Northwest
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- 7 19, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 07-564 in Docket UM 1357 approving the
- 8 amended and restated Intervenor Funding Agreement that extends intervenor funding
- 9 until December 31, 2012. The Intervenor Funding Agreement sets forth the amount of
- funding to be contributed by each utility and the procedures for budget submittals by
- intervenors, Commission approval of budgets, and the payment of grants by utilities.

## E. Request for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting

- The Commission originally authorized deferral of the Intervenor Funding
- 14 Agreement costs beginning September 17, 2003, in Order 03-560. The Commission has
- reauthorized this deferral annually in Order 05-862 (entered July 18, 2005), in Order No.
- 16 06-251 (entered May 25, 2006), in Order No. 07-268 (entered June 11, 2007) and most
- 17 recently, in Order No. 08-324 (entered June 13, 2008). Order No. 08-324 reauthorized
- the deferral until June 30, 2009. The Company seeks reauthorization of this deferral for a
- 19 12-month period beginning August 1, 2009.

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### F. Amounts Subject to Deferral

- 21 The Company anticipates that the maximum amounts to be deferred during the
- 22 12-month period beginning August 1, 2009 will be:

Fund

CUB Fund	\$ 57,500
Preauthorized Matching Fund	\$ 57,500
Issue Fund	\$125,000
Total	\$225,000

## 1 G. Accounting

- 2 The Company proposes to record payment of Intervenor Funding Grants in
- 3 Account 182.3—Miscellaneous Deferred Debits. In the absence of the Commission's
- 4 approval of this Application, the Company would not incur the cost of Intervenor
- 5 Funding Grants. Were such costs incurred, however, they would be recorded in Account
- 6 930—Miscellaneous General Expenses.
- 7 WHEREFORE, PacifiCorp respectfully requests that in accordance with ORS
- 8 757.259(3), the Commission reauthorize the Company to record and defer, on an ongoing
- 9 basis and commencing as of August 1, 2009, Intervenor Funding Grants incurred by the
- 10 Company pursuant to the Intervenor Funding Agreement, as described in this
- 11 Application.

DATED: June 1, 2009.

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Legal Counsel Pacific Power

Counsel for PacifiCorp