

June 27, 2022

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

Re: UM 2158(1)—Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting for a Balancing Account Related to Schedule 95, Pilot Program Cost Adjustment

PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power submits for filing its Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting for a Balancing Account Related to PacifiCorp's Schedule 95, Pilot Program Cost Adjustment.

PacifiCorp respectfully requests that all communications related to this filing be addressed to:

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Informal inquiries may be directed to Cathie Allen, Manager, Regulatory Affairs, at (503) 813-5934.

¹ Recovery for the Load Control Pilot was previously through Schedule 95, Pilot Program Cost Adjustment. In ADV 1344/Advice 21-022, PacifiCorp proposed funding the Load Control Pilot Program through Schedule 291, System Benefits Charge and canceling Schedule 95. The Commission approved the Company's filing on December

28, 2021.

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Enclosures

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 2158(1)

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER

Application for Approval of Deferred Accounting for a Balancing Account Related to Schedule 95, Pilot Program Cost Adjustment.

APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION OF DEFERRED ACCOUNTING

I. INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 757.259(2)(e) and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 860-027-0300, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (PacifiCorp or the Company) submits this application to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) for an order reauthorizing the company to maintain a balancing account to record the deferral of costs related to the Irrigation Load Control Program Pilot (Load Control Program) expense. PacifiCorp proposes to record in the balancing account expenses for the Load Control Program and the recovery those costs through Schedule 291, System Benefits Charge (Schedule 291).

II. CONTACT INFORMATION

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In addition, PacifiCorp requests that all data requests regarding this application be sent to the following:

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III. BACKGROUND

On March 4, 2016, PacifiCorp filed an application proposing its Irrigation Load Control Program Pilot, which is a demand response program for irrigation customers. On May 4, 2016, the Commission approved the program. On April 21, 2016, PacifiCorp filed Tariff Advice No. 16-07 to implement Schedule 95 to recover costs associated with the Irrigation Load Control Program Pilot. On May 5, 2016, the Commission approved PacifiCorp's Schedule 95. PacifiCorp filed an update to Schedule 95 under Advice No. 16-07 on May 12, 2017.

After discussions with Staff, PacifiCorp determined that it was appropriate to file a deferral to support the expenses in the Irrigation Load Control Pilot Program as they are recovered through Schedule 95. Therefore, the Company filed a deferral application to obtain approval for the deferred accounting necessary for the existing Load Control Program to track costs and allow for recovery of those costs through Schedule 95 on March 8, 2021. PacifiCorp is now filing for reauthorization to continue the deferred accounting necessary for the existing Load Control Program to track costs and allow for recovery of those costs through Schedule 291, the successor to Schedule 95.

IV. OAR 860-027-0300(3) AND (4) REQUIREMENTS

PacifiCorp respectfully requests authorization under ORS 757.259(2)(e) to establish and maintain a balancing account to record costs related to the Load Control Program.

As required by OAR 860-027-0300(3), PacifiCorp provides the following:

A. Description of Utility Expense

PacifiCorp proposes to use a Load Control Program balancing account to record Load Control Program expenses and collections from Schedule 291.

B. Reasons for Deferral

ORS 757.259(2)(e) allows the deferral of identifiable utility expenses in order to minimize the frequency of rate changes or the fluctuation of rate levels or to match appropriately the costs borne and received by customers. In this application PacifiCorp seeks the use of a deferral to support an existing rate tracking mechanism which matches the costs borne and benefits received by customers.

C. Proposed Accounting

If this application is approved, PacifiCorp will record both Load Control Program expenses and Schedule 95 recovery in FERC Account 182.3, Other Regulatory Assets. If this application is denied, Load Control Program expenses will be recorded in FERC account 557, Other Expenses, and the revenues from Schedule 291 will be recorded in FERC account 456, Other Electric Revenues.

D. Estimate of Amounts

At this time, the 2022 Load Control Program expense is forecast to be approximately \$125,000. This estimate aligns with the estimate provided in Advice 21-022. Generally, it is expected that the balancing account will zero out over time.

E. Notice

A copy of the Notice of Application and a list of persons served with the notice are attached as Exhibit A to this application.

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

As of May 31, 2022, the balance in the balancing account is approximately \$262,000. The amounts recorded include the expenses for the program and the revenue received through Schedule 95 and the successor tariff, Schedule 291.

V. CONCLUSION

PacifiCorp respectfully requests that, in accordance with ORS 757.259(2)(e), the Commission authorize the Company to maintain a balancing account related to PacifiCorp's Load Control Program expense and collection of the Load Control Program through Schedule 291.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of June, 2022.

By:

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EXHIBIT A

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NOTICE

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 2158(1)

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP d/b/a PACIFIC POWER

Application for Approval of Deferred Accounting for a Balancing Account Related to Schedule 95, Pilot Program Cost Adjustment.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION OF DEFERRED ACCOUNTING

On June 27, 2022, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (PacifiCorp or the Company) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) for an order authorizing the Company to establish and maintain a balancing account to record the deferral of costs related to the Irrigation Load Control Program Pilot (Load Control Program) expense. PacifiCorp proposes to record in the balancing account expenses for the Load Control Program and the recovery those costs through Schedule 291, System Benefits Charge (Schedule 291). The granting of this 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. To obtain a copy of the application, contact the following:

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Any person who wishes to submit written comments to the Commission must do so within 25 days of the date of PacifiCorp's application.

Respectfully submitted on June 27, 2022.

By:

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I delivered a true and correct copy of PacifiCorp's Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting for a Balancing Account Related to Schedule 95, Pilot Program Cost Adjustment on the parties listed below via electronic mail in compliance with OAR 860-001-0180.

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Dated this 27th day of June, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I delivered a true and correct copy of PacifiCorp's Application for Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting for Costs Related to Wildfire Risk Mitigation Measures and Vegetation Management on the parties listed below via electronic mail in compliance with OAR 860-001-0180.

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