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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA

2019 Integrated Resource Plan.

The Public Utility Commission of Oregon will hold a Special Public Meeting, Public Hearing and Commission Work Session in this proceeding as follows:

**DATE:** March 10, 2020

**TIME:** 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Public Utility Commission

**Hearing Room** 

201 High Street SE, Suite 100

Salem, Oregon 97301

This notice provides our agenda for the March 10 meeting, which is our only scheduled workshop before our May acknowledgment meetings.

We will focus discussion on the new resource and transmission categories in PacifiCorp's action plan, with other issues to be discussed if time permits, as further detailed below. PacifiCorp will be asked to begin discussion of each issue, followed by Staff and stakeholders, with Commissioner discussion throughout.

1. New Resource Actions: Discussion of whether the amount of capacity and/or energy acquired pursuant to the RFP described in Action Item 2b should be capped (below the 4400 MW of new generation and 600 MW of new batteries limit specified in the recently filed RFP, either in total or by resource type) to better align with capacity need, preferred portfolio resource types, a reasonable limit on energy surplus, or to otherwise better account for potential risks associated to customers (including those detailed in pages 12-14 of Staff's Final Comments). What additional analysis or information can benefit the Commission's understanding of such risks and the appropriate role of procurement limits or other mitigation options?

- 2. <u>Transmission Actions</u>: Discussion of whether analysis in the 2019 IRP demonstrates that particular transmission actions for which PacifiCorp seeks acknowledgment are least-cost, least-risk. Specific discussion of:
  - a. Boardman to Hemingway (B2H) transmission line modeling, Energy Gateway South (EGS) modeling, and impacts on preferred portfolio.
  - b. What transmission actions in the action plan are not dependent on the RFP, what is their total cost, and on what basis should the Commission acknowledge those transmission investments?
  - c. What transmission actions in the action plan are dependent on the RFP? Should they be acknowledged if IRP analysis cannot demonstrate they are least-cost, least-risk in advance of a RFP outcome?
  - d. With the information known at this time, what geographic areas have the most cost-effective interconnection availability?<sup>1</sup>
- 3. <u>Miscellaneous Commissioner Questions</u>: Time permitting, Commissioners may ask the company, Staff and stakeholders questions on miscellaneous subjects. These topics may include qualifying facility (QF) forecasts, Jim Bridger unit retirements, energy efficiency and demand response, the relationship among front office transaction analysis, regional resource adequacy studies and the reliability resource requirement, and concepts for the 2021 IRP related to continued analysis of coal fleet economics considering changing energy markets as envisioned in the Multi-State Protocol (MSP) agreement.
- 4. <u>Summary and Other Issues:</u> Time permitting, stakeholders and Staff will have five minutes each to summarize or comment on other issues from their Final Comments.

We also provide formal notice for the May 5 and May 7 Special Public Meetings, Public Hearing and Commission Work Sessions. They will occur as follows:

**DATE:** May 5, 2020

**TIME:** 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Public Utility Commission

Hearing Room

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Salem, Oregon 97301

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 2019 IRP Table 8.16; *PacifiCorp's Application for Approval of 2020 All-Source Request for Proposals*, Docket No. UM 2059, Attachment C-1, Locational Initial Shortlist Capacity Limits (Feb 24, 2020).

**DATE:** May 7, 2020

**TIME:** 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Public Utility Commission

**Hearing Room** 

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The Commission will provide a process update at the May 5 Special Public Meeting, but our current expectations are that the May 5 Special Public Meeting will focus on public comment and the May 7 Special Public Meeting will focus on Commission deliberation, with Staff and PacifiCorp available to answer Commission questions.

If you have questions, please contact the Administrative Hearings Division by telephone (503-378-6678) or by e-mail (<u>puc.hearings@state.or.us</u>).

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, at Salem, Oregon.

Megan W. Decker	Letha Tawney	Mark R. Thompson
Chair	Commissioner	Commissioner

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