## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

## **OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of PROPERTY OWNERS OF ) TAX LOT 501; Petition to Review Service ) Area for Tax Lot 501, Petitioners, and ) PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY ) and HOOD RIVER ELECTRIC ) COOPERATIVE, INC., Respondents. )

RULING

## DISPOSITION: PARTIES DIRECTED TO FILE JOINT STATEMENT

On April 4, 2007, I convened a telephone conference in this matter. The purpose of the conference was to determine (a) whether Tax Lot 501 was situated within the service territories of both PacifiCorp and Hood River Electric Cooperative (HREC), and (b) if so, whether the parties could reach an informal agreement as to which utility should serve Tax Lot 501. I requested that PUC Staff assist the parties in resolving these issues.

With respect to the first inquiry, I requested that the parties work together to determine whether or not Tax Lot 501 is within the service territory of both utilities. I understand that representatives of HREC, PacifiCorp and the petitioners met at the property on April 13, 2007, to determine where the service boundaries lie. On April 23, 2007, Mr. M. D. Van Valkenburgh filed correspondence on behalf of the petitioners that indicates that a "very small portion" of Tax Lot 501 falls within the service territory of HREC. Subsequently, Ms. Carole Rockney of PacifiCorp filed correspondence dated April 30, 2007, indicating that the parties agree that Tax Lot 501 falls within PacifiCorp's service territory.

My expectation was that the parties would be able to informally resolve any questions relating to the location of Tax Lot 501. The correspondence from Mr. Van Valkenburgh and Ms. Rockney, however, suggests that an outstanding dispute exists regarding this issue. Before convening another conference to establish formal procedures for resolving the boundary issue, I am directing the parties to submit a joint statement regarding this matter. The statement should indicate whether there is, in fact, disagreement regarding the location of Tax Lot 501, and if so, the specific facts in dispute. The statement shall be filed no later than May 21, 2007.

Dated at Salem, Oregon this 4th day of May, 2007.

Samuel Petrillo Administrative Law Judge