

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 407

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

Application for Approval of an
Automatic Adjustment Clause for
Recovery of Costs Associated with the
Company's Wildfire Protection Plan.

BENCH REQUEST

On December 29, 2022, PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, Staff for the Oregon Public Utility Commission, and the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (collectively the Stipulating Parties) filed a stipulation resolving all issues in this proceeding. These questions are directed to the Stipulating Parties. Should it wish, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, which objected to the stipulation, may also submit replies explaining its understanding of the stipulation on the date given.

Section 16 of the stipulation concerns cost recovery, stating that "expenditures associated with the WPP remain subject to a prudence review." Section 18 provides that "[r]ates for this WPP Adjustment mechanism will be effective approximately 120 days after PacifiCorp submits its annual filing."

1. Given this, please explain the process through which the Stipulating Parties envision prudence review will be conducted each year?
2. Please specifically lay out the division of time within that 120-day period that the Stipulating Parties envision will allow for review of the Company's filing, discovery, filing of any protests, and Commission review.
3. Does the stipulation allow for full litigation of particular prudence issues where necessary? If so, how?

The Stipulating Parties are directed to file responses by 3:00 p.m. on February 10, 2023.

Dated this 27th day of January, 2023 at Salem, Oregon.



Katharine Mapes
Administrative Law Judge