BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1208

In the Matter of)	
)	RULING
PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER &)	
LIGHT COMPANY)	
)	
Draft 2012 Requests for Proposals.)	

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO AMEND SCHEDULE GRANTED

On September 26, 2006, PacifiCorp filed a motion to amend the procedural schedule in this docket. The parties have already filed Opening Comments. Under the existing schedule, Reply Comments are due on October 2, 2006. PacifiCorp proposes that the company's Reply Comments, along with a revised draft of the 2012 Requests for Proposals (RFP), be due on October 4, 2006. Staff and Intervenor Reply Comments, responding to both the opening comments and PacifiCorp's October 4, 2006 filing, would be due on October 13, 2006. The Commission's Public Meeting on this matter would remain as scheduled on October 26, 2006.

PacifiCorp explains that the revisions to the schedule permit the company to respond to the parties' Opening Comments with specific changes to the 2012 RFP, while allowing the parties an opportunity to review these changes before submitting Reply Comments. PacifiCorp adds that the revised schedule tracks the newly revised schedule for RFP approval in Utah, allowing the Company to process the cases in an efficient manner in both states.

PacifiCorp has contacted representatives from the Public Utility Commission of Oregon Staff (Staff), the Northwest Independent Power Producers Coalition, Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon, and the Renewable Northwest Project, all of whom support this request. PacifiCorp adds that the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities also supports this motion, with the condition that it may need to seek additional time to reply, depending upon the nature and scope of the RFP revisions. Finally, PacifiCorp left messages with the Oregon Department of Energy, but did not receive a response.

PacifiCorp's motion is granted. The new schedule is adopted as follows:

EVENT	DATE
PacifiCorp's Reply Comments and RFP	October 4, 2006
Revisions due	
Reply Comments by all parties to	October 13, 2006
PacifiCorp's filing due	
Commission Public Meeting	October 26, 2006

Under the revised schedule, Staff will not prepare a Staff Report in advance of the Public Meeting. Nonetheless, parties may submit additional written comments up to that meeting. As previously indicated, any party filing such comments is encouraged to submit them as early as possible to facilitate Commissioner review. Finally, as PacifiCorp acknowledges in its motion, the Commission does not expect to render a decision at the October 26th Public Meeting. Rather, the Commission intends to take this case under advisement and render its decision in the form of a written order. The Commission will make every effort to issue an order by the target date of November 2, 2006.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 27th day of September 2006.

Michael Grant
Chief Administrative Law Judge