ISSUED: April 22, 2015

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

LC 62

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

2015 Integrated Resource Plan.

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM

On April 20, 2015, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a prehearing conference in this docket. Representatives appeared on behalf of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power; the Commission Staff; the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB); Renewable Northwest; NW Energy Coalition (NWEC); the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE), the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU); Sierra Club; Northwest Pipeline LLC; and the Renewable Energy Coalition (REC).

## **Petitions to Intervene**

IRP proceedings are not considered contested case proceedings under ORS 183.310(2)(a). However, obtaining party status is necessary to be placed on the service list for purposes of receiving copies of filings made by other parties and to be eligible to sign a protective order to obtain access to confidential information. For those reasons, the Commission will grant petitions to intervene in IRP dockets, even though party status does not confer the general rights and duties to individuals who participate in contested case proceedings. By statute, a person may petition to intervene at any time before the close of the record. <sup>1</sup>

Petitions to intervene granted to date in this docket were filed by the following: Renewable NW, Sierra Club, ICNU, NWEC, ODOE, Portland General Electric Company, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, and the Natural Resources Defense Council. CUB also intervened as a matter of right under ORS 774.180.

On April 9, 2015 and April 13, 2015, respectively, REC and Northwest Pipeline LLC filed petitions to intervene. No party attending the conference opposed the petitions. The petitions are granted.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See ORS 756.525.

## **Procedural Schedule**

The parties agreed to the following procedural schedule, which was adopted:

EVENT	DATE
Public Meeting Presentation by PacifiCorp	June 16, 2015, 9:30 a.m.
Workshop	August 6, 2015 <sup>2</sup>
Opening Comments, Staff and Intervenors	August 27, 2015
Reply Comments, PacifiCorp	September 24, 2015
Final Comments, Staff and Intervenors	October 15, 2015
Final Reply Comments, PacifiCorp	November 5, 2015
Staff Final Recommendation	December 3, 2015
Commission Special Public Meeting	December 17, 2015, 9:30 a.m.

Parties are reminded that attorneys not licensed in Oregon wanting to appear before the Commission in this docket must file an application for admission to appear pro hac vice.<sup>3</sup>

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2015, at Salem, Oregon.

Administrative Law Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Workshop dates are included in the schedule for the parties' convenience. The parties do not need Commission approval to reschedule workshops. <sup>3</sup> See UTCR 3.170, OAR 860-001-0320.