PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UE 191

STAFF CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY OF

Bill Wordley

In the Matter of PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY 2008 Transition Adjustment Mechanism.

August 9, 2007

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 CASE. PLEASE EXPLAIN THIS EXHIBIT.
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- A. Here is a basic description of the GRID model:
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Because of the actual operations of a system customers paid for, Staff believes that the Commission should accept Staff's proposed margin adjustment, which accounts for the current systematic exclusion of all the economic power trading activity from GRID. Staff recognizes that realization of these margins also takes effort and competent work by the

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STAFF EXHIBIT 201

Corrected Exhibit in Support of Supplemental Testimony

PacifiCorp - UE 191

Comparison between PGE and PacifiCorp wholesale margins not capured by the company's power cost modeling

PGE			
		\$/MWh	
2003	(\$1,078,195)	(\$0.13)	
2004	\$16,691,981	\$2.61	
2005	(\$23,764,917)	(\$2.62)	
Total	(\$8,151,131)		
Average	(\$2,717,044)		

PacifiCorp (Oregon)		
		\$/MWh
UE 134	\$16,181,407	\$3.97
UE 147	\$5,775,913	\$2.20
UE 170	\$26,643,514	\$4.20
Total	\$48,600,833	
Average	\$16,200,278	

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Example of \$/MWh Margins on Total and additional* Wholesale Transactions

		Test Period		per MWh
		Sales	Purchases	Margin
	I a			
GRID	\$	5,000	6,000	
	MWh	100	100	
	\$/MWh	50	60	-10
Actual	\$	15,000	15,500	
	MWh	300	300	
	\$/MWh	50	51.7	-1.7
"additional" v	vholesale 1	Transactions		
Actual	\$	10,000	9,500	
less	MWh	200	200	
GRID	\$/MWh	50	47.5	2.5

^{* &}quot;additional" wholesale transactions are the volume of short-term purchases and sales that occur in the actual operation of the company's power system, but are not captured by GRID and are not included in the PacifiCorp's filled case in UE 191

UE 191 - PacifiCorp TAM
Comparison of Actual short-term Wholesale Sales and Purchases to "as Filled"- Actual increase over "as Filled"

		Purchases	
		MWh	Act % Inc over as Filled
UE 134	Actual	18,190,389	
	as Filled	3,165,837	
Act Inc ove	r as Filed	15,024,552	474.6%
UE 147	Actual	17,706,193	
	as Filled	6,138,896	
Act Inc ove	r as Filed	11,567,297	188.4%
UE 170	Actual	29,132,314	
	as Filled	4,525,911	
Act Inc ove	er as Filed	24,606,403	543.7%
3 Yr Total	Actual	65,028,895	
	as Filled	13,830,644	
Act Inc ove	er as Filed	51,198,251	370.2%

Sales		
MWh	Act % Inc over as Filled	
19,574,764		
3,230,383		
16,344,381	506.0%	
18,928,022		
10,327,395		
8,600,627	83.3%	
34,387,824		
10,132,896		
24,254,928	239.4%	
72,890,610		
23,690,674		
49,199,936	207.7%	

Diff in "additional" Sales	
vs "additional" Purchases	
Sales less Purchases	
1,319,829	
(2,966,670)	
(351,475)	
(1,998,315)	

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