

Docket No. UE 344
Exhibit Joint Stipulating
Parties/100
Witnesses: Michael G. Wilding,
Scott Gibbens, and Bob Jenks

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

PACIFICORP

Joint Stipulating Parties' Testimony in Support of Stipulation

September 10, 2018

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Joint Testimony Supporting Stipulation 1

1 **Q. Please state your names, business addresses, and present positions.**

2 A. My name is Michael Wilding. My business address is 825 NE Multnomah Street,
3 Suite 600, Portland, Oregon 97232. My title is Director, Net Power Costs and
4 Regulatory Policy for PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power. My witness qualifications are
5 set forth in PAC/100, Wilding/1.

6 My name is Scott Gibbens. My business address is 201 High Street SE, Suite
7 100, Salem Oregon 97301. I am employed as a Senior Economist in the Energy
8 Rates, Finance and Audit Division of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon
9 (Commission). My Witness Qualification Statement is found in Exhibit Joint
10 Stipulating Parties/101.

11 My name is Bob Jenks. My business address is 610 SW Broadway, Suite 400,
12 Portland, Oregon 97205. I am the Executive Director of the Oregon Citizens' Utility
13 Board (CUB). My Witness Qualification Statement is found in Exhibit Joint
14 Stipulating Parties/102.

15 **JOINT TESTIMONY SUPPORTING STIPULATION**

16 **Q. What is the purpose of this Joint Testimony?**

17 A. Commission Staff, PacifiCorp, and CUB, collectively the Stipulating Parties, jointly
18 provide this testimony in support of the Stipulation, filed concurrent with this Joint
19 Testimony. The Stipulating Parties request that the Commission issue an order
20 approving the Stipulation and implementing its terms.

21 **Q. Have all parties to docket UE 344 joined in the Stipulation?**

22 A. Yes. After a settlement conference held July 20, 2018, all parties to docket UE 344
23 agreed that PacifiCorp's actual net power costs (NPC) would not result in a change in

1 rates to customers. After additional settlement communications, all parties executed
2 the Stipulation on September 10, 2018.

3 **Q. Does the Stipulation resolve all issues in docket UE 344?**

4 A. Yes. The Stipulation resolves all issues in docket UE 344. The Stipulating Parties
5 agree that the company's power cost adjustment mechanism (PCAM) for calendar
6 year 2017, as set forth in its initial filing, complies with Order No. 12-493 and results
7 in no change to PacifiCorp's rates. Commission approval of the Stipulation will
8 result in just and reasonable rates and an efficient resolution of this proceeding.

9 **Q. What is the purpose of PacifiCorp's PCAM?**

10 A. In Order No. 12-493, the Commission approved a PCAM to allow PacifiCorp to
11 recover the difference between actual NPC incurred to serve customers and the base
12 NPC established in the company's annual transition adjustment mechanism (TAM)
13 filing. The amount received from or refunded to customers for a given year is subject
14 to deadbands, sharing bands, an earnings test, and an amortization cap.¹ PacifiCorp
15 filed its 2017 PCAM for calendar year 2017, on May 15, 2018.

16 **Q. What was the variance between actual PCAM costs and base PCAM costs for
17 calendar year 2017?**

18 A. The variance between actual PCAM costs and base PCAM costs for calendar year
19 2017 was approximately \$2.3 million on an Oregon allocated basis.

20 **Q. Did the PCAM variance exceed the deadband for 2017?**

21 A. No.

¹ *In the Matter of PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power's Request for a General Rate Revision*, Docket No. UE 246, Order No. 12-493 at 15 (Dec. 20, 2012).

1 **Q. What is the rate impact resulting from the 2017 PCAM?**

2 A. PacifiCorp's 2017 PCAM results in no change to rates because the PCAM variance
3 did not exceed the deadband identified in Order No. 12-493.

4 **Q. Does this conclude your joint stipulating parties testimony?**

5 A. Yes.

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Exhibit Accompanying Joint Stipulating Parties' Testimony

Witness Qualification Statement of Scott Gibbens

September 10, 2018

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

NAME: Scott Gibbens

EMPLOYER: Public Utility Commission of Oregon

TITLE: Senior Economist
Energy Rates, Finance and Audit

ADDRESS: 201 High St. SE Ste. 100
Salem, OR 97301-3612

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science, Economics, University of Oregon
Masters of Science, Economics, University of Oregon

EXPERIENCE: I have been employed at the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) since August of 2015. My current responsibilities include analysis and technical support for electric power cost recovery proceedings with a focus in model evaluation. I also handle analysis and decision making of affiliated interest and property sale filings, rate spread and rate design, as well as operational auditing and evaluation. Prior to working for the OPUC I was the operations director at Bracket LLC. My responsibilities at Bracket included quarterly financial analysis, product pricing, cost study analysis, and production streamlining. Previous to working for Bracket, I was a manager for US Bank in San Francisco where my responsibilities included coaching and team leadership, branch sales and campaign oversight, and customer experience management.

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WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

NAME: Bob Jenks

EMPLOYER: Oregon Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

TITLE: Executive Director

ADDRESS: 610 SW Broadway, Suite 400
Portland, OR 97205

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science, Economics
Willamette University, Salem, OR

EXPERIENCE: Provided testimony or comments in a variety of OPUC dockets, including UE 88, UE 92, UM 903, UM 918, UE 102, UP 168, UT 125, UT 141, UE 115, UE 116, UE 137, UE 139, UE 161, UE 165, UE 167, UE 170, UE 172, UE 173, UE 207, UE 208, UE 210, UE 233, UE 246, UE 283, UG 152, UM 995, UM 1050, UM 1071, UM 1147, UM 1121, UM 1206, UM 1209, UM 1355, UM 1635, UM 1633, and UM 1654. Participated in the development of a variety of Least Cost Plans and PUC Settlement Conferences. Provided testimony to Oregon Legislative Committees on consumer issues relating to energy and telecommunications. Lobbied the Oregon Congressional delegation on behalf of CUB and the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates.

Between 1982 and 1991, worked for the Oregon State Public Interest Research Group, the Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group, and the Fund for Public Interest Research on a variety of public policy issues.

MEMBERSHIP: National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates
Board of Directors, OSPIRG Citizen Lobby
Telecommunications Policy Committee, Consumer Federation of America
Electricity Policy Committee, Consumer Federation of America
Board of Directors (Public Interest Representative), NEEA