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Public Utility Commission of Oregon 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 Salem, OR 97301-1166

Attn: Filing Center

RE: Advice No. 16-03

Schedule 215—Irrigation Time-of-Use Pilot Supply Service

The purpose of this letter is to request a continuation of PacifiCorp's d/b/a Pacific Power Schedule 215 – Irrigation Time-of-Use Pilot Supply Service. The company respectfully requests authorization to continue this program by April 15, 2018, to accommodate the 2018 irrigation season.

Background

In April 2016 in Advice No. 16-03, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) approved PacifiCorp's request to continue Schedule 215, Irrigation Time-of-Use Pilot Supply Service (pilot) for two years through the 2017 irrigation season. Around that same time, the company updated the Commission on its intent to roll out Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) to all Oregon customers (see April 6, 2016 letter in UM 1667 Annual Smart Grid Report docket).

In April 2017, PacifiCorp filed a compliance report on the pilot related to Advice No. 16-03. In that report the company concluded that when AMI is fully deployed the company will have more data and greater insight into actual customer loads than what is available with current metering. Additionally, as indicated in the report, with AMI the company will have the ability to reprogram meters remotely allowing changes to pricing structure and new participant enrollment without incremental expense.

Requested Continuation

PacifiCorp requests in this filing to continue the pilot in its current form in anticipation of the completion of the roll out of AMI to all Oregon customers by the end of 2019. Keeping the pilot in place in its current form until AMI deployment is complete will allow continuity for current pilot participants, more informed load and customer response evaluation in the future, and will save time and money by avoiding metering changes at this time. The company does not propose to add any additional participants on the pilot. Current participants will still have the option to remove themselves from the pilot at any time by contacting the company.

No changes are required to PacifiCorp's tariffs to effectuate this request therefore the company has proposed no tariff changes at this time. The proposed continuation would result in no rate change to customers.

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It is respectfully requested that all formal data requests regarding this matter be addressed to:

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Sincerely,

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