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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
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PACIFICORP)	ORDER
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Application for approval to secure insurance)	
coverage from Dornoch Risk International)	
Limited, an affiliated interest.)	

DISPOSITION: PACIFICORP'S MOTION TO BIFURCATE ISSUES GRANTED; MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF STATUTORY DEADLINE GRANTED; MOTION TO WITHDRAW GRANTED

On June 29, 2003, PacifiCorp filed an affiliated interest application pursuant to ORS 757.490, ORS 757.495, and OAR 860-027-0040. On November 3, 2004, PacifiCorp filed a motion to bifurcate issues and consented to an extension of the statutory deadline until March 31, 2005. PacifiCorp filed a separate motion on November 3, 2004 to withdraw a portion of its application.

DISCUSSION

The affiliated interest application filed by PacifiCorp sought authorization to secure property damage, liability, and workers compensation insurance from Dornoch Risk International Limited (Dornoch), a wholly owned subsidiary of ScottishPower plc (ScottishPower). PacifiCorp is also a subsidiary of ScottishPower, and therefore the business transactions to be conducted between PacifiCorp and Dornoch establish an affiliated interest.

In its motion, PacifiCorp sought to bifurcate the issue of providing liability insurance. PacifiCorp requests a bifurcation of the issue of liability insurance in order to obtain more definitive information on liability insurance premium costs, a concern expressed by Staff. Staff agreed to the motion on the condition that PacifiCorp consent to an extension of the statutory deadline for processing affiliated interest applications until March 31, 2005. PacifiCorp consents to the extension of time. PacifiCorp's request to bifurcate the issue and to secure property damage insurance was approved with conditions at the November 23, 2004 public meeting.

In the second motion filed separately, PacifiCorp sought to withdraw the portion of the application related to workers compensation. After discussions with Staff, PacifiCorp determined that it would withdraw its request to secure workers compensation insurance coverage from Dornoch at this time.

CONCLUSION

The motion to bifurcate the affiliated interest application of PacifiCorp is granted and through the consent of PacifiCorp, an extension of the statutory deadline is granted. The motion to withdraw a portion of PacifiCorp's application is also granted.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that

1. The motion to bifurcate the affiliated interest application of PacifiCorp is granted and an extension of the statutory deadline for processing the affiliated interest application is granted until March 31, 2005.
2. The motion to withdraw a portion of the application seeking authorization to secure workers compensation insurance is granted.

Made, entered, and effective _____.

Lee Beyer
Chairman

John Savage
Commissioner

Ray Baum
Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.