

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1209

In the Matter of)	
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MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS)	
COMPANY)	ORDER
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Application for Authorization to Acquire)	
Pacific Power & Light, dba PacifiCorp.)	

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO AMEND ORDER GRANTED

On February 24, 2006, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) approved the application of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC) to acquire Pacific Power & Light, dba PacifiCorp (PacifiCorp), subject to the terms and commitments in the Stipulation signed by MEHC, PacifiCorp, Commission Staff (Staff), and an additional ten parties. *See* Order No. 06-082. The Stipulation expressly permitted the Commission to “have an opportunity and the authority to consider and adopt in Oregon any commitments or conditions to which MEHC and PacifiCorp agree or with which MEHC and PacifiCorp are required to comply in other jurisdictions.” *See id.* at Appendix A, ¶ 14. The Stipulation also sets forth the process by which the parties and the Commission could consider commitments reached in other states, and adopt those commitments in a timely manner. *See id.*

MEHC and PacifiCorp held meetings among the Oregon parties on January 20 and March 7, 2006, to review the terms of the individual state stipulations and approval orders. On March 7, 2006, MEHC and PacifiCorp filed a stipulated motion to amend the final order to incorporate changes adopted through the “most favored states” (MFS) process. In response to MEHC and PacifiCorp’s request for expedited treatment, the time for responses to the stipulation was shortened. No responses in opposition to the stipulated motion were received.¹ Based on the process set forth in Order No. 06-082, and followed by the companies, the parties to the Stipulation either supported the stipulated motion or waived their right to participate in the MFS process.

¹ On March 8, 2006, the Oregon Department of Energy sent an electronic mail message indicating it did not oppose the stipulated motion. On March 13, 2006, the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations filed a response in support of the motion.

DISCUSSION

The parties agreed to recommend four changes in the Stipulation adopted by the Commission in Order No. 06-082, and the changes are reflected in the complete copy of the Stipulation attached as Appendix A to this order. The first amendment adds a paragraph to the end of the Stipulation itself, before the list of commitments, providing that MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide written notice of the transfer of control of PacifiCorp, along with copies of the instruments of transfer, a narrative, and organizational chart showing the relationship among PacifiCorp, MEHC, Berkshire Hathaway and their subsidiaries and affiliated business entities, as well as an indication of the owners of PacifiCorp and the percentages of PacifiCorp held by each entity, up to the level of Berkshire Hathaway. That paragraph also requires PacifiCorp to file a petition for an accounting order to create deferral accounts to effectuate Oregon Commitments 8 and 12 in the Stipulation.

The other proposed amendments affect the Commitments. Two changes add language to existing Commitments: In General Commitment 6, the Commission may determine the reasonableness of *the costs and* allocation factors used to assign costs to PacifiCorp and amounts subject to allocation or direct charges. General Commitment 12 was clarified to state that PacifiCorp or MEHC will notify the Commission *in writing* following an announcement of any acquisition of a regulated or unregulated business representing five percent or more of the capitalization of MEHC or the change in control of PacifiCorp. We recognize that any transfer of control of PacifiCorp would need to be approved by this Commission under ORS 757.511. The final change is the addition of Oregon Commitment 35, which provides that MEHC and PacifiCorp acknowledge that the Commission has jurisdiction to determine the prudence of PacifiCorp's wholesale power transactions and whether PacifiCorp's retail rates are just and reasonable, and will pursue litigation within the Commission process and appeal through an application for reconsideration, before turning to the courts.

The Commission has the authority to amend its order through ORS 756.568. In addition, the Stipulation contained a provision by which parties would have the ability to review the terms of each state's stipulation and order, and seek amendment to the Oregon order. *See* Order No. 06-082, Appendix A, pp 5-7. We conclude that we have jurisdiction to amend the order and that proper notice and opportunity to respond has been provided to the parties in this docket.

As to the amendments, we find that they strengthen an application for acquisition, which has already been found to serve the public interest. *See* ORS 757.511; Order No. 06-082, 17. The proposed changes clarify the notice and documents that the Commission will receive upon completion of this transaction and ensure that MEHC will provide the Commission with written notice upon substantial acquisitions by MEHC. Further, the amendments recognize the Commission's authority to determine the reasonableness of costs allocated to PacifiCorp, the prudence of wholesale power

transactions and the reasonableness of retail rates. Because the proposed amendments do not affect the application's benefits to ratepayers or harm Oregonians as a whole, we grant the stipulated motion and adopt the changes to the Stipulation approved in Order No. 06-082.

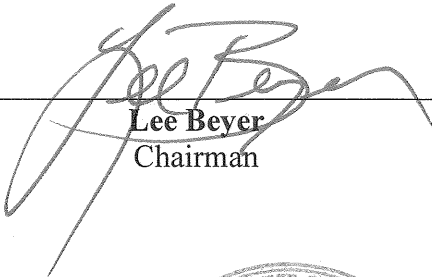
ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Motion to Amend Order No. 06-082 is granted.
2. MEHC and PacifiCorp shall notify the Director of the Utility Program in writing of the transfer of control of PacifiCorp as authorized herein. MEHC and PacifiCorp shall provide notice within 30 days of the date of the transfer. A true copy of the instruments of transfer shall be attached to the notification.
3. PacifiCorp shall file a petition for an accounting order to establish its authority to create deferral accounts, as necessary to make effective the terms of Oregon Commitments 8 and 12, set forth in Exhibit 1 to the Stipulation.
4. At the time of the closing of the transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp shall file with the Commission a narrative and an organizational chart showing the relationship among PacifiCorp, MEHC, Berkshire Hathaway, and their subsidiary and affiliated business entities. This documentation shall clearly show the owners of PacifiCorp and the percentages held, up to the level of the ultimate parent, Berkshire Hathaway.

5. The amended Stipulation, attached as Appendix A, is adopted and supersedes the Stipulation adopted in Order No. 06-082.

Made, entered, and effective MAR 14 2006.



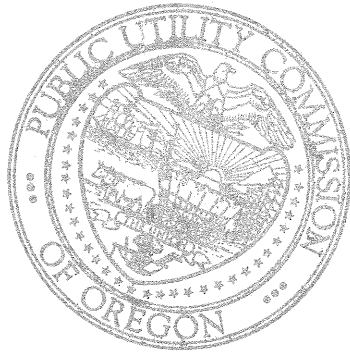
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Chairman



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 by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.



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**Re: Amended Stipulation and Commitments
Docket UM 1209**

On Tuesday, March 7, 2006, MEHC and PacifiCorp filed a Stipulated Motion to Amend Final Order to Incorporate MFS Changes. Following up on this filing, we are now submitting a final version of the UM 1209 Stipulation and Commitments, amended to incorporate the agreed-upon changes set forth in the Motion.

All parties to the Stipulation either support these changes or have elected not to participate in the MFS process. For this reason, and because of the relatively minor nature of the changes, the parties prefer not to formally re-execute the Stipulation, and instead suggest application of their previously submitted signatures to the Stipulation as amended.

A copy of this filing has been served on all parties to this proceeding as indicated on the attached certificate of service.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Katherine A. McDowell".

Katherine A. McDowell

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cc: Service List

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UM 1209

In the Matter of MIDAMERICAN
ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY
Application for Authorization to Acquire
Pacific Power & Light, d/b/a PacifiCorp

STIPULATION

This Stipulation is entered into for the purpose of resolving all issues in this proceeding by and among the parties as set forth below.

PARTIES

1. The initial parties to this Stipulation ("Stipulation") are MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company ("MEHC"), PacifiCorp, Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon ("Staff"), the Citizens' Utilities Board ("CUB"), the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU"), Renewable Northwest Project ("RNP"); Natural Resources Defense Council ("NRDC"); Community Action Directors of Oregon ("CADO"), Oregon Energy Coordinators Association ("OECA"), League of Oregon Cities; Sherman County; and Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations ("PCFFA") (together "the Parties" and individually "Party"). This Stipulation will be made available to other parties to this docket, who may participate by signing and filing a copy of this Stipulation.

2. The Parties, by signing this Stipulation, acknowledge that the Applicants have satisfied the "net benefits" standard in Oregon pursuant to ORS 757.511 for approval of the Application, amended as provided for in this Stipulation, and that the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (the "Commission") should issue an order approving the Stipulation and providing the approvals and declaratory rulings that the Applicants have requested in the Application.

3. The Parties agree to support Commission approval of the Application and this Stipulation. This Stipulation will be offered into the record of this proceeding as evidence pursuant to OAR 860-014-0085. The Parties agree to support this Stipulation throughout this proceeding and any appeal, provide witnesses to sponsor this Stipulation at the hearing and recommend that the Commission issue an order adopting the settlements contained herein. If any other party to this proceeding challenges this Stipulation, the Parties agree to cooperate in cross-examination and put on such a case as they deem appropriate to respond fully to the issues presented, which may include raising issues that are incorporated in the settlements embodied in this Stipulation.

BACKGROUND

4. On July 15, 2005, MEHC filed an Application with the Commission authorizing a proposed transaction ("Transaction") whereby MEHC would acquire all of the outstanding common stock of PacifiCorp from ScottishPower and PacifiCorp would thereafter become an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of MEHC. On August 17, 2005, MEHC filed revisions to the Application to reflect the repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act by the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Concurrent with the filing of this Stipulation, MEHC will file an amended Application including Berkshire Hathaway Inc. ("Berkshire Hathaway") as an applicant.

5. The Parties have reviewed the Application, the pre-filed testimony of the Parties, the amendments to the Application and MEHC's and PacifiCorp's responses to the extensive discovery requests submitted in this proceeding.

6. Since October 2005, the Parties have engaged in settlement discussions on the issues in this proceeding. The settlement discussions have been open to all parties to this Docket.

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MODIFICATION

7. The Parties have negotiated this Stipulation as an integrated document. If the Commission rejects all or any material part of this Stipulation or imposes additional material conditions in approving the Application, any Party disadvantaged by such action shall have the right, upon written notice to the Commission and all Parties within 15 business days of the Commission's order, to withdraw from this Stipulation, pursue their rights under OAR 860-014-0085 and/or seek reconsideration or appeal of the Commission's order. However, prior to withdrawal, the Party shall engage in a good faith negotiation process with the other Parties. No Party withdrawing from this Stipulation, including MEHC and PacifiCorp, shall be bound to any position, commitment, or condition of this Stipulation.

EFFECTIVE DATE

8. Subject to Paragraph 9 of this Stipulation, the effective date of this Stipulation shall be the date of the closing of the Transaction.

9. The obligations of MEHC and PacifiCorp under this Stipulation are subject to the Commission's approval of the Application in this docket on terms and conditions acceptable to MEHC and PacifiCorp, in their sole discretion, and the closing of the Transaction.

AGREEMENT

10. Concurrent with the filing of this Stipulation, MEHC will file an amended Application including Berkshire Hathaway as an applicant. The Application will also seek a declaration, based upon sworn statements that will be attached as exhibits, that neither Warren Buffett nor Walter Scott, Jr. (together, the "Shareholders") are necessary applicants under ORS 757.511. The sworn statements of Warren Buffett and Walter Scott, Jr. will provide that neither will exercise any control, directly or indirectly, on matters that pertain to PacifiCorp (except for matters relating to PacifiCorp that are ministerial in nature). The sworn statements will also

provide that the Shareholders will recuse themselves from voting as MEHC or Berkshire Hathaway directors on MEHC or Berkshire Hathaway Board of Directors matters concerning PacifiCorp activities or operations. The sworn statements will provide that the future transfer of the Shareholders' shares will require an agreement by the transferee to abide by the limitations recited above, as applicable, regarding the power to exercise substantial influence over PacifiCorp if, to the Shareholders' knowledge, the transferee would own 5% or more of the voting interests of MEHC or Berkshire Hathaway after such transfer.. By the foregoing, the Shareholders, PacifiCorp, MEHC and Berkshire Hathaway do not concede that such transferees are affiliated interests as defined by ORS 757.015(1)-(3).

11. Parties have reviewed final drafts of the amended Application and the Shareholders' sworn statements for the last five (5) business days preceding this filing, or have expressly agreed to waive the requirement of this review period. No more than (7) seven business days after the filing of the amended Application and the Shareholders' sworn statements, Parties may withdraw from the Stipulation if any of these documents has been significantly modified without agreement of the Parties.

12. The Parties agree that the filings described in Paragraph 10 of this Stipulation are sufficient to address the issue of the applicants necessary for approval of the Application under ORS 757.511 and the underlying Transaction, both in general and as specifically applied to Berkshire Hathaway, Warren Buffett and Walter Scott, Jr. The Parties will not advocate that Berkshire Hathaway, Warren Buffett and Walter Scott, Jr., as a result of the filings described in Paragraph 10 of this Stipulation and the underlying Transaction, are "public utilities" as defined by ORS 757.005. The Parties also agree that no additional discovery is necessary on Berkshire Hathaway or the Shareholders to process and approve the Application.

13. Exhibit 1 contains the complete list of Commitments that MEHC and PacifiCorp (and Berkshire Hathaway, as applicable) agree to as a part of this Stipulation (“Commitments”). The Commitments are comprised of two categories of commitments; commitments entered into by MEHC and PacifiCorp applicable to all the states in which PacifiCorp’s service territory extends and Oregon-specific commitments which apply only to the activities and operations of MEHC and PacifiCorp within Oregon. By virtue of executing this Stipulation, MEHC and PacifiCorp agree to perform all of the Commitments set forth in Exhibit 1 according to the provisions of each Commitment. Berkshire Hathaway shall perform the Commitments applicable to it as provided in Commitment O 5.

14. The Commitments may be expanded or modified as a result of regulatory decisions or settlements in other states. MEHC and PacifiCorp agree that the Commission shall have an opportunity and the authority to consider and adopt in Oregon any commitments or conditions to which MEHC and PacifiCorp agree or with which MEHC and PacifiCorp are required to comply in other jurisdictions, even if such commitments and conditions are agreed to after the Commission enters its order in this docket. This agreement does not preclude MEHC and PacifiCorp from requiring a state to substitute or eliminate certain commitments if there were explicit trade-offs agreed among commitments during settlement negotiations, that are memorialized in a Stipulation, Testimony or other settlement document.¹ If MEHC and PacifiCorp accept a commitment in another jurisdiction by which PacifiCorp agrees not to file a new rate case for a period of time, MEHC and PacifiCorp will not make such commitment the subject of a trade-off for an Oregon commitment. To facilitate the Commission’s consideration and adoption of the commitments and conditions from other jurisdictions, the Parties urge the

¹ Exhibit 1 explicitly identifies where such trade-offs were made by the Parties in Oregon. The Parties will also include a chart of these trade-offs in their Joint Testimony.

Commission to issue an order accepting this Stipulation as soon as practical, but to reserve in such order the explicit right to re-open Exhibit 1 to add (without modification of the language thereof except such non-substantive changes as are necessary to make the commitment or condition applicable to Oregon) commitments and conditions accepted or ordered in another state jurisdiction. To provide input to the Commission to facilitate a prompt decision regarding the desirability or lack of desirability for these out-of-state commitments and conditions to be adopted in Oregon, the Parties agree to and recommend the following process:

- Within five calendar days after a stipulation with new or amended commitments is filed by MEHC and PacifiCorp with a commission in another state jurisdiction, MEHC and PacifiCorp will send a copy of the stipulation and commitments to the Parties.
- Within five calendar days after a commission in another state jurisdiction issues an order that accepts a stipulation to which MEHC and PacifiCorp are a party or otherwise imposes new or modified commitments or conditions, that order, together with all commitments and conditions of any type agreed to by MEHC and PacifiCorp or ordered by the commission in such other state, will be filed with the Commission and served on all parties to this docket by the most expeditious means practical.
- Within ten calendar days after the last such filing from the other states (“Final Filing”), any party to the docket wishing to do so shall file with the Commission its response, including its position as to whether any of the covenants, commitments and conditions from the other jurisdictions (without modification of the language thereof except such non-substantive changes as are necessary to

make the commitment or condition applicable to Oregon) should be adopted in Oregon.

- Within five calendar days after any such response filing, any party to the docket may file a reply with the Commission. If the 5th calendar day falls on Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the next business day will be considered as the 5th day.

The Parties agree to support in their filings (or by representation of same by MEHC) the issuance by the Commission of an order regarding the adoption of such commitments and conditions as soon as practical thereafter, recognizing that the Transaction cannot close until final state orders have been issued.

15. The following provisions, applicable only to the Parties, will become effective upon the closing of the Transaction:

- a) MEHC and PacifiCorp will support a five-year renewal of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”) dated February 5, 2003, such that the current funding for the types of consumers represented by the signatories to the IFA who are currently receiving funding does not expire on December 31, 2007.
- b) Through December 31, 2011, MEHC and PacifiCorp will both confer with the signatories and provide drafts in a timely manner prior to introducing legislation in the Oregon Legislature that would impact Oregon utility regulation, including Oregon city franchise authority.
- c) MEHC has no current intention to acquire other public utilities as defined by ORS 757.005. If that intention should ever change, MEHC will confer with the signatories before public announcement of such an acquisition, subject to agreements regarding confidentiality.

- d) Within 90 days of the close of the Transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp will begin working with ICNU, and any other interested party, to evaluate and, if mutually agreed to be appropriate, file with the Commission service quality standards related to industrial customers, with a focus on high tech companies. MEHC, PacifiCorp and ICNU, and any other interested party, will report back to the Commission on the conclusions and recommendations reached no later than February 1, 2007. MEHC and PacifiCorp acknowledge that modifications to existing customer service guarantees and performance standards may result from this process and nothing in Commitments 1 or 45 will preclude these from being filed if mutually agreed-upon by the Parties.
- e) Senior executives of MEHC and PacifiCorp will make themselves available upon request to the signatories to discuss regulatory, customer service, and energy policy issues.
- f) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to notify Parties if PacifiCorp is contemplating changes to system operations that would adversely affect community renewable energy projects as described in Commitment O 28.
- g) MEHC and PacifiCorp agree that the provisions of this paragraph are subject to Commitment O 1, regarding enforcement and dispute resolution.
16. The Parties agree to support the specified amounts of the downgrade adjustments referenced in Commitment O 14 of Exhibit 1 to the extent such adjustments become necessary.
17. The Parties will not oppose in any proceeding the concept of the captive insurance affiliate for the purposes proposed in this Stipulation.

18. The Parties agree to support recovery over a reasonable period of prudent costs associated with the IGCC studies in Commitment O 33, consistent with Oregon law and regulatory practice.

19. PacifiCorp agrees that any rate case filed before the close of the Transaction will include pro forma adjustments, as appropriate, to allow for the implementation of Oregon Commitments O 8 thru O 12.

20. Parties will encourage the Commission to enter an order granting final Oregon approval as soon as possible but not later than February 28, 2006. The Parties agree not to request an extension of the suspension period in this case, which now expires on February 28, 2006, from MEHC and PacifiCorp.

21. Not later than the Final Filing, MEHC and PacifiCorp will disclose to the Parties any written commitments, conditions or covenants made in Oregon or another state jurisdiction (between the date of the filing of the Stipulation and the receipt of the last state order in the transaction docket) intended to encourage approval of the transaction or avoidance of an objection thereto.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

22. By executing this Stipulation, no Party waives any right to assert such positions regarding the prudence, just and reasonable character, rate or ratemaking impact or treatment, or public interest as they deem appropriate pertaining to any Commitment.

23. No commitments or conditions of this Stipulation are to be construed as mandating Commission enforcement of any settlement agreement solely subject to FERC jurisdiction nor pre-empting in any way FERC authority.

24. The Parties agree that this Stipulation represents a compromise in the positions of the Parties. As such, conduct, statements and documents disclosed in the negotiation of this Stipulation shall not be admissible as evidence in this or any other proceeding. By entering into this Stipulation, no Party shall be deemed to have approved, admitted or consented to the facts, principles, methods or theories employed by any other Party in arriving at the terms of this Stipulation, other than those specifically identified in the body of this Stipulation. No Party shall be deemed to have agreed that any provision of this Stipulation is appropriate for resolving issues in any other proceeding, except as expressly identified in the Stipulation.

25. By executing this Stipulation, the Parties agree that this Transaction and the Commitments as a whole are in the public interest, however, no individual Party is deemed to have agreed to each individual Commitment.

26. This Stipulation may be executed in counterparts and each signed counterpart shall constitute an original document.

27. The Parties request that the Commission include the following paragraphs in its order amending the final order to incorporate MFS changes:

MEHC and PacifiCorp shall notify the Director of the Utility Program in writing of the transfer of control of PacifiCorp as authorized herein. MEHC and PacifiCorp shall provide notice within 30 days of the date of the transfer. A true copy of the instruments of transfer shall be attached to the notification.

PacifiCorp is required to file a petition for an accounting order to establish its authority to create deferral accounts, as necessary to make effective the terms of Commitment numbers O 8 and O 12, set forth in Exhibit 1 to the Stipulation.

To help in finalizing the documentation for this case, MEHC and PacifiCorp shall file with the Commission, at the time of the closing of the transaction, a narrative and an organizational chart showing the relationship among PacifiCorp, MEHC, Berkshire Hathaway and their subsidiary and affiliated business entities. This documentation should clearly show the owners of PacifiCorp and the percentages held, up to the level of the ultimate parent, Berkshire Hathaway.

This Stipulation is entered into by each Party as of the date entered below:

Executed this _____ day of December, 2005.

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY

Mark C. Moench
Senior Vice President, Law

PACIFICORP

D. Douglas Larson
Vice President, Regulation

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ASSOCIATIONS

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HOOPA VALLEY TRIBE

**MEHC Acquisition of PacifiCorp
Oregon Docket No. UM 1209**

Consolidated List of Commitments

Commitments Applicable to All States:

- 1) MEHC and PacifiCorp affirm the continuation (through March 31, 2008) of the existing customer service guarantees and performance standards in each jurisdiction. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not propose modifications to the guarantees and standards prior to March 31, 2008. Refer to Commitment 45 for the extension of this commitment through 2011.
- 2) Penalties for noncompliance with performance standards and customer guarantees shall be paid as designated by the Commission and shall be excluded from results of operations. PacifiCorp will abide by the Commission's decision regarding payments.
- 3) PacifiCorp will maintain its own accounting system, separate from MEHC's accounting system. All PacifiCorp financial books and records will be kept in Portland, Oregon. PacifiCorp's financial books and records and state and federal utility regulatory filings and documents will continue to be available to the Commission, upon request, at PacifiCorp's offices in Portland, Oregon, Salt Lake City, Utah, and elsewhere in accordance with current practice.
- 4) MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide the Commission access to all books of account, as well as all documents, data, and records of their affiliated interests, which pertain to transactions between PacifiCorp and its affiliated interests or which are otherwise relevant to the business of PacifiCorp. This commitment is also applicable to the books and records of Berkshire Hathaway, which shall retain its books and records relevant to the business of PacifiCorp consistent with the manner and time periods of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's record retention requirements that are applicable to PacifiCorp's books and records.
- 5) MEHC, PacifiCorp and all affiliates will make their employees, officers, directors, and agents available to testify before the Commission to provide information relevant to matters within the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 6) The Commission or its agents may audit the accounting records of MEHC and its subsidiaries that are the bases for charges to PacifiCorp, to determine the reasonableness of the costs and allocation factors used by MEHC to assign costs to PacifiCorp and amounts subject to allocation or direct charges. MEHC agrees to cooperate fully with such Commission audits.

- 7) MEHC and PacifiCorp will comply with all applicable Commission statutes and regulations regarding affiliated interest transactions, including timely filing of applications and reports.
- 8) PacifiCorp will file on an annual basis an affiliated interest report including an organization chart, narrative description of each affiliate, revenue for each affiliate and transactions with each affiliate.
- 9) PacifiCorp and MEHC will not cross-subsidize between the regulated and non-regulated businesses or between any regulated businesses, and shall comply with the Commission's applicable orders and rules with respect to such matters.
- 10) Due to PUHCA repeal, neither Berkshire Hathaway nor MEHC will be registered public utility holding companies under PUHCA. Thus, no waiver by Berkshire Hathaway or MEHC of any defenses to which they may be entitled under *Ohio Power Co. v. FERC*, 954 F.2d 779 (D.C. Cir.), *cert. denied sub nom. Arcadia v. Ohio Power Co.*, 506 U.S. 981 (1992) ("*Ohio Power*"), is necessary to maintain the Commission's regulation of MEHC and PacifiCorp. However, while PUHCA is in effect, Berkshire Hathaway and MEHC waive such defenses.
- 11) a) Any diversified holdings and investments (e.g., non-utility business or foreign utilities) of MEHC following approval of the transaction will not be held by PacifiCorp or a subsidiary of PacifiCorp. This condition will not prohibit MEHC or its affiliates other than PacifiCorp from holding diversified businesses.
- b) Ring-fencing provisions for PPW Holdings LLC will include the provisions in Appendix 1. These provisions have been derived from those in effect for NNGC Acquisition, LLC as of December 1, 2005.
- 12) PacifiCorp or MEHC will notify the Commission in writing subsequent to MEHC's board approval and as soon as practicable following any public announcement of: (1) any acquisition of a regulated or unregulated business representing 5 percent or more of the capitalization of MEHC; or (2) the change in effective control or acquisition of any material part or all of PacifiCorp by any other firm, whether by merger, combination, transfer of stock or assets.
- 13) The Inter-company Administrative Services Agreement (IASA) will include the corporate and affiliate cost allocation methodologies. The IASA will be filed with the Commission as soon as practicable after the closing of the transaction. Approval of the IASA will be requested if required by law or rule, but approval for ratemaking purposes will not be requested in such filing. Refer to Commitment 14 (f). Amendments to the IASA will also be filed with the Commission.
- 14) Any proposed cost allocation methodology for the allocation of corporate and affiliate investments, expenses, and overheads, required by law or rule to be

submitted to the Commission for approval, will comply with the following principles:

- a) For services rendered to PacifiCorp or each cost category subject to allocation to PacifiCorp by MEHC or any of its affiliates, MEHC must be able to demonstrate that such service or cost category is necessary to PacifiCorp for the performance of its regulated operations, is not duplicative of services already being performed within PacifiCorp, and is reasonable and prudent.
 - b) Cost allocations to PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries will be based on generally accepted accounting standards; that is, in general, direct costs will be charged to specific subsidiaries whenever possible and shared or indirect costs will be allocated based upon the primary cost-driving factors.
 - c) MEHC and its subsidiaries will have in place positive time reporting systems adequate to support the allocation and assignment of costs of executives and other relevant personnel to PacifiCorp.
 - d) An audit trail will be maintained such that all costs subject to allocation can be specifically identified, particularly with respect to their origin. In addition, the audit trail must be adequately supported. Failure to adequately support any allocated cost may result in denial of its recovery in rates.
 - e) Costs which would have been denied recovery in rates had they been incurred by PacifiCorp regulated operations will likewise be denied recovery whether they are allocated directly or indirectly through subsidiaries in the MEHC group.
 - f) Any corporate cost allocation methodology used for rate setting, and subsequent changes thereto, will be submitted to the Commission for approval if required by law or rule.
- 15) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp will maintain separate debt and preferred stock, if any. PacifiCorp will maintain its own corporate credit rating, as well as ratings for long-term debt and preferred stock, from Moody's and S&P or their successor rating agencies.
 - 16) MEHC and PacifiCorp will exclude all costs of the transaction from PacifiCorp's utility accounts. Within 90 days following completion of the transaction, MEHC will provide a preliminary accounting of these costs. Further, MEHC will provide the Commission with a final accounting of these costs within 30 days of the accounting close.
 - 17) MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide the Commission with unrestricted access to all written information provided by and to credit rating agencies that pertains to PacifiCorp or MEHC. Berkshire Hathaway and MEHC will also provide the

Commission with unrestricted access to all written information provided by and to credit rating agencies that pertains to MEHC's subsidiaries to the extent such information may potentially impact PacifiCorp.

- 18) a) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp will not make any dividends to PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity capital below the following percentages of its Total Capital without Commission approval:
- 48.25% from the date of the close of the transaction through December 31, 2008;
 - 47.25% from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009;
 - 46.25% from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010;
 - 45.25% from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011;
 - 44.00% after December 31, 2011.
- b) PacifiCorp's Total Capital is defined as common equity, preferred equity and long-term debt. Long-term debt is defined as debt with a term of more than one year. For purposes of calculating the numerator of the percentage, common equity will be increased by 50% of the remaining balance of preferred stock that was in existence prior to the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MEHC. PacifiCorp and MEHC will work with Commission staff to determine a percentage of common equity credit to apply to preferred stock issued by PacifiCorp after the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MEHC. In the absence of such an agreement between Commission staff and the Companies, MEHC and PacifiCorp agree to treat new issuances of preferred stock as 100% debt, unless a Commission order approves a different percentage.
- c) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp will not make any dividends to PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity capital below 35% of its Total Adjusted Capital without Commission approval. For purposes of calculating the numerator of the percentage, common equity will not include any portion of PacifiCorp preferred stock issued and outstanding. PacifiCorp's Total Adjusted Capital is defined as common equity, preferred equity, long-term debt, short-term debt and capitalized lease obligations.
- d) The Commission, on its own motion or at the request of any party, may reexamine the minimum common equity percentages as financial conditions or accounting standards warrant.
- 19) The capital requirements of PacifiCorp, as determined to be necessary to meet its obligation to serve the public, will be given a high priority by the Board of Directors of MEHC and PacifiCorp.
- 20) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that neither PacifiCorp nor its subsidiaries will, without the approval of the Commission, make loans or transfer funds (other than

dividends and payments pursuant to the IASA) to MEHC, Berkshire Hathaway or their respective subsidiaries, or assume any obligation or liability as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise for MEHC, Berkshire Hathaway or their respective subsidiaries; provided that this condition will not prevent PacifiCorp, to the extent allowed by law, from making loans or transferring funds to a subsidiary of PacifiCorp or assuming any obligation or liability on behalf of a subsidiary of PacifiCorp. MEHC and Berkshire Hathaway will not pledge any of the assets of the business of PacifiCorp as backing for any securities which MEHC, Berkshire Hathaway or their respective subsidiaries, but excluding PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries, may issue.

- 21) MEHC and PacifiCorp will not advocate for a higher cost of capital as compared to what PacifiCorp's cost of capital would have been, using Commission standards, absent MEHC's ownership.
- 22) [This Commitment number has intentionally been left blank. Commitment 22 is not available if a state selects Oregon-specific Commitment O 12.]
- 23) PacifiCorp will continue a Blue Sky tariff offering in all states. PacifiCorp will continue to support this offering through innovative marketing, by modifying the tariff to reflect the developing green power market and by monitoring national certification standards.
- 24) PacifiCorp will continue its commitment to gather outside input on environmental matters, such as through the Environmental Forum.
- 25) PacifiCorp will continue to have environmental management systems in place that are self-certified to ISO 14001 standards at all PacifiCorp operated thermal generation plants.
- 26) MEHC will maintain at least the existing level of PacifiCorp's community-related contributions, both in terms of monetary and in-kind contributions. The distribution of PacifiCorp's community-related contributions among the states will be done in a manner that is fair and equitable to each state.
- 27) MEHC will continue to consult with regional advisory boards to ensure local perspectives are heard regarding community issues.
- 28) MEHC will honor PacifiCorp's existing labor contracts.
- 29) After the closing of the transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp will make no unilateral changes to employee benefit plans prior to May 23, 2007 that would result in the reduction of employee benefits.
- 30) PacifiCorp will continue to produce Integrated Resource Plans according to the then current schedule and the then current Commission rules and orders.

- 31) When acquiring new generation resources in excess of 100 MW and with a dependable life of 10 or more years, PacifiCorp and MEHC will issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs) or otherwise comply with state laws, regulations and orders that pertain to procurement of new generation resources for PacifiCorp.
- 32) Nothing in these acquisition commitments shall be interpreted as a waiver of PacifiCorp's or MEHC's rights to request confidential treatment for information that is the subject of any commitments.
- 33) [This Commitment number has intentionally been left blank. Oregon-specific Commitment O 1 substitutes for this Commitment 33.]
- 34) MEHC and PacifiCorp have identified transmission projects that MEHC and PacifiCorp believe will enhance reliability, facilitate the receipt of renewable resources, or enable further system optimization. Subject to permitting and the availability of materials, equipment and rights-of-way, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to use their best efforts to achieve the following transmission system infrastructure improvements¹:
- a) Path C Upgrade (~\$78 million) – Increase Path C capacity by 300 MW (from S.E. Idaho to Northern Utah). The target completion date for this project is 2010. MEHC and PacifiCorp assert that this project:
- enhances reliability because it increases transfer capability between the east and west control areas,
 - facilitates the delivery of power from wind projects in Idaho, and
 - provides PacifiCorp with greater flexibility and the opportunity to consider additional options regarding planned generation capacity additions.
- b) Mona - Oquirrh (~\$196 million) – Increase the import capability from Mona into the Wasatch Front (from Wasatch Front South to Wasatch Front North). This project would enhance the ability to import power from new resources delivered at or to Mona, and to import from Southern California by “wheeling” over the Adelanto DC tie. The target completion date for this project is 2011. MEHC and PacifiCorp assert that this project:
- enhances reliability by enabling the import of power from Southern California entities during emergency situations,
 - facilitates the acceptance of renewable resources, and
 - enhances further system optimization since it enables the further purchase or exchange of seasonal resources from parties capable of delivering to Mona.

¹ It is possible that upon further review a particular investment might not be cost-effective, optimal for customers or able to be completed by the target date. If that should occur, MEHC pledges to propose an alternative to the Commission with a comparable benefit.

- c) Walla Walla - Yakima or Mid-C (~\$88 million) – Establish a link between the “Walla Walla bubble” and the “Yakima bubble” and/or reinforce the link between the “Walla Walla bubble” and the Mid-Columbia (at Vantage). MEHC and PacifiCorp assert that either of these projects presents opportunities to enhance PacifiCorp’s ability to accept the output from wind generators and balance the system cost effectively in a regional environment. The target completion date for this project is 2010.
- 35) MEHC and PacifiCorp make the following commitments to improve system reliability:
- a) investment in the Asset Risk Program of \$75 million over the three years, 2007-2009,
 - b) investment in local transmission risk projects across all states of \$69 million over eight years after the close of the transaction,
 - c) O & M expense for the Accelerated Distribution Circuit Fusing Program across all states will be increased by \$1.5 million per year for five years after the close of the transaction, and
 - d) extension of the O&M investment across all states for the Saving SAIDI Initiative for three additional years at an estimated cost of \$2 million per year.
 - e) MEHC and PacifiCorp will support the Bonneville Power Administration in its development of short-term products such as conditional firm. No less than three months following the close of the transaction, PacifiCorp will initiate a process to collaboratively design similar short-term transmission products and will include stakeholders in this process. PacifiCorp will make every reasonable effort to complete a product by the end of 2008.
 - f) PacifiCorp will continue to offer its Partial Interim Service product, and will make commercially reasonable efforts to offer transmission customers as much firm service as the Company’s transmission studies show is available, including weeks within a month. PacifiCorp will also continue its OATT tariff provision that allows transmission customers to alter pre-scheduled transactions up to 20 minutes before the hour as long as such provision is consistent with established scheduling practices and does not jeopardize system reliability. PacifiCorp will notify parties to this proceeding if it proposes changes to these two elements of its OATT.
- 36) MEHC recognizes that it can and should have a role in addressing the critical importance of transmission infrastructure to the states in which PacifiCorp serves. MEHC also recognizes that some transmission projects, while highly desirable, may not be appropriate investments for PacifiCorp and its regulated customers.

Therefore, MEHC commits its resources and leadership to assist PacifiCorp states in the development of transmission projects upon which the states can agree. Examples of such projects would be RMATS and the proposed Frontier transmission line.

- 37) [This Commitment number has intentionally been left blank. Commitment 37 is not available if a state selects Oregon-specific Commitment O 14.]
- 38) [This Commitment number has intentionally been left blank. Commitment 38 is not available if a state selects Oregon-specific Commitments O 9 and O 11.]
- 39) In Commitment 31, MEHC and PacifiCorp adopt a commitment to source future PacifiCorp generation resources consistent with the then current rules and regulations of each state. In addition to that commitment, for the next ten years, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that they will submit as part of any commission approved RFPs for resources with a dependable life greater than 10 years and greater than 100 MW,—including renewable energy RFPs—a 100 MW or more utility “own/operate” alternative for the particular resource. It is not the intent or objective that such alternatives be favored over other options. Rather, the option for PacifiCorp to own and operate the resource which is the subject of the RFP will enable comparison and evaluation of that option against other viable alternatives. In addition to providing regulators and interested parties with an additional viable option for assessment, it can be expected that this commitment will enhance PacifiCorp’s ability to increase the proportion of cost-effective renewable energy in its generation portfolio, based upon the actual experience of MEC and the “Renewable Energy” commitment offered below.
- 40) MEHC reaffirms PacifiCorp's commitment to acquire 1400 MW of new cost-effective renewable resources, representing approximately 7% of PacifiCorp's load. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to work with developers and bidders to bring at least 100 MW of cost-effective wind resources in service within one year of the close of the transaction.

MEHC and PacifiCorp expect that the commitment to build the Walla-Walla and Path C transmission lines will facilitate up to 400 MW of renewable resource projects with an expected in-service date of 2010. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to actively work with developers to identify other transmission improvements that can facilitate the delivery of cost-effective wind energy in PacifiCorp’s service area.

In addition, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to work constructively with states to implement renewable energy action plans so as to enable PacifiCorp to achieve at least 1400 MW of cost-effective renewable energy resources by 2015. Such renewable energy resources are not limited to wind energy resources.

- 41) MEHC supports and affirms PacifiCorp's commitment to consider utilization of advanced coal-fuel technology such as super-critical or IGCC technology when adding coal-fueled generation.
- 42) a) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to participate in the Environmental Protection Agency's SF₆ Emission Reduction Partnership for Electric Power Systems. Sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆) is a highly potent greenhouse gas used in the electric industry for insulation and current interruption in electric transmission and distribution equipment. MEHC and PacifiCorp represent that over a 100-year period, SF₆ is 23,900 times more effective at trapping infrared radiation than an equivalent amount of CO₂, making it the most highly potent, known greenhouse gas. SF₆ is also a very stable chemical, with an atmospheric lifetime of 3,200 years. As the gas is emitted, it accumulates in the atmosphere in an essentially un-degraded state for many centuries. Thus, a relatively small amount of SF₆ can have a significant impact on global climate change. Through its participation in the SF₆ partnership, PacifiCorp will commit to an appropriate SF₆ emissions reduction goal and annually report its estimated SF₆ emissions. MEHC and PacifiCorp represent that this not only reduces greenhouse gas emissions, it saves money and improves grid reliability. Since 1999, EPA's SF₆ partner companies have saved \$2.5 million from the avoided gas loss alone. Use of improved SF₆ equipment and management practices helps protect system reliability and efficiency.
- b) Within six months after close of the transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp will establish a global warming working group composed of representatives of the regulatory, consumer, educational and environmental communities in the six states that PacifiCorp serves, as well as representatives of PacifiCorp and MEHC. PacifiCorp will work with the global warming working group to identify cost-effective measures to reduce PacifiCorp's greenhouse emissions. PacifiCorp will develop and file with the Commission its strategy, which MEHC supports, for reducing its greenhouse gas emissions.
- 43) Working with the affected generation plant joint owners and with regulators to obtain required approvals, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to install, to the extent cost effective, the equipment likely to be necessary under future emissions control scenarios at a cost of approximately \$812 million. Concurrent with any application for an air permit, MEHC and PacifiCorp will discuss its plans regarding this commitment with interested parties and solicit input. While additional expenditures may ultimately be required as future emission reduction requirements become better defined, MEHC believes these investments in emission control equipment are reasonable and environmentally beneficial. The execution of an emissions reduction plan for the existing PacifiCorp coal-fueled facilities, combined with the use of reduced-emissions coal technology for new coal-fueled generation, is expected to result in a significant decrease in the emissions rate of PacifiCorp's coal-fueled generation fleet. MEHC represents that the investments to which MEHC is committing are expected to result in a decrease in the SO₂ emissions rates of more than 50%, a decrease in the NO_x

emissions rates of more than 40%, a reduction in the mercury emissions rates of almost 40%, and no increase expected in the CO₂ emissions rate.

- 44) a) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to conducting a company-defined third-party market potential study of additional DSM and energy efficiency opportunities within PacifiCorp's service areas. The objective of the study will be to identify opportunities not yet identified by the company and, if and where possible, to recommend programs or actions to pursue those opportunities found to be cost-effective. The study will focus on opportunities for deliverable DSM and energy efficiency resources rather than technical potentials that may not be attainable through DSM and energy efficiency efforts. On-site solar and combined heat and power programs may be considered in the study. During the three-month period following the close of the transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp will consult with DSM advisory groups and other interested parties to define the proper scope of the study. The findings of the study will be reported back to DSM advisory groups, commission staffs, and other interested stakeholders and will be used by the Company in helping to direct ongoing DSM and energy efficiency efforts. The study will be completed within fifteen months after the closing on the transaction, and MEHC shareholders will absorb the first \$1 million of the costs of the study.
- b) PacifiCorp further commits to meeting its portion of the NWPPC's energy efficiency targets for Oregon, Washington and Idaho, as long as the targets can be achieved in a manner deemed cost-effective by the affected states.
- c) In addition, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp and MEC will annually collaborate to identify any incremental programs that might be cost-effective for PacifiCorp customers. The Commission will be notified of any additional cost-effective programs that are identified.
- 45) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to continue customer service guarantees and performance standards as established in each jurisdiction, provided that MEHC and PacifiCorp reserve the right to request modifications of the guarantees and standards after March 31, 2008, and the right to request termination (as well as modification) of one or more guarantees or standards after 2011. The guarantees and standards will not be eliminated or modified without Commission approval.
- 46) MEHC has significant experience in assisting its communities with economic development efforts. MEHC plans to continue PacifiCorp's existing economic development practices and use MEHC's experience to maximize the effectiveness of these efforts.
- 47) MEHC understands that having adequate staffing and representation in each state is not optional. MEHC understands its importance to customers, to regulators and to states. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to maintaining adequate staffing and

- presence in each state, consistent with the provision of safe and reliable service and cost-effective operations.
- 48) PacifiCorp will provide public notice and an invitation to encourage stakeholders to participate in the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) process. The IRP process will be used to consider Commitments 34, 39, 40, 41, 44, 52 and 53. PacifiCorp will hold IRP meetings at locations or using communications technologies that encourage broad participation.
 - 49) By June 1, 2007 and each June 1 thereafter through June 1, 2011, PacifiCorp will file a report with the Commission regarding the implementation of the Commitments. The report will, at a minimum, provide a description of the performance of each of the commitments that have quantifiable results. If any of the commitments is not being met, relative to the specific terms of the commitment, the report shall provide proposed corrective measures and target dates for completion of such measures. PacifiCorp will make publicly available at the Commission non-confidential portions of the report.
 - 50) PacifiCorp will maintain its current pension funding policy, as described in the 2005 Actuarial Report, for a period of two years following the close of the transaction.
 - 51) Subject to, and in consideration for, dismissal of all existing proceedings and no commencement of any future state regulatory proceeding against PacifiCorp involving or arising from the SEC PUHCA Audit Report of Scottish Power dated May 11, 2004, MEHC will contribute to PacifiCorp, at no cost to PacifiCorp, MEHC's stock ownership in the Intermountain Geothermal Company and the associated steam rights (approximately 70% of the total rights) to the steam resources serving PacifiCorp's Blundell geothermal plant and terminate MEHC's and Intermountain Geothermal Company's rights and obligations under the contracts. MEHC will assist PacifiCorp in determining the cost-effectiveness of acquiring the remaining 30% of the rights. No more than six months after the close of the transaction, MEHC will provide parties a clear and complete disclosure statement that details any potential liabilities and risks, identified by or for MEHC, associated with the ownership rights of MEHC in Intermountain Geothermal. MEHC also commits that PacifiCorp customers will not be harmed from the contribution to PacifiCorp of the Intermountain Geothermal steam resources and stock.
 - 52) Upon closing, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to immediately evaluate increasing the generation capacity of the Blundell geothermal facility by the amount determined to be cost-effective. Such evaluation shall be summarized in a report and filed with the Commission concurrent with the filing of PacifiCorp's next IRP. This incremental amount is expected to be at least 11 MW and may be as much as 100 MW. All cost effective increases in Blundell capacity, completed before January 1, 2015, should be counted toward satisfaction of PacifiCorp's

1400 MW renewable energy goal, in an amount equal to the capacity of geothermal energy actually added at the plant.

- 53) MEHC or PacifiCorp commit to commence as soon as practical after close of the transaction a system impact study to examine the feasibility of constructing transmission facilities from the Jim Bridger generating facilities to Miners, Wyoming. Upon receipt of the results of the system impact study, MEHC or PacifiCorp will review and discuss with stakeholders the desirability and economic feasibility of performing a subsequent facilities study for the Bridger to Miners 500 kV transmission project.

Oregon-Specific Commitments:

- O 1.a) If the Commission believes that MEHC and/or PacifiCorp have violated any of the commitments of the stipulation, or any conditions imposed by the Commission in its final order approving the Application (collectively, the "Conditions"), then the Commission shall give MEHC and PacifiCorp written notice of the violation.
- i) If the violation is for failure to file any notice or report required by the Conditions, and if MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both provide the notice or report to the Commission within ten business days of the receipt of the written notice, then the Commission shall take no action. MEHC or PacifiCorp may request, for cause, permission for extension of the ten-day period. For any other violation of the Conditions, the Commission must give MEHC and PacifiCorp written notice of the violation. If such failure is corrected within five business days of the written notice, then the Commission shall take no action. MEHC or PacifiCorp may request, for cause, permission for extension of the five-day period.
- ii) If MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, fail to file a notice or written report within the time permitted in subparagraph a. above, or if MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, fail to cure, within the time permitted above, a violation that does not relate to the filing of a notice or report, then the Commission may open an investigation, with an opportunity for MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, to request a hearing, to determine the number and seriousness of the violations. If the Commission determines after the investigation and hearing (if requested) that MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, violated one or more of the Conditions, then the Commission shall issue an Order stating the level of penalty it will seek. MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, as appropriate, may appeal such an order under ORS 756.580. If the Commission's order is upheld on appeal, and the order imposes penalties under a statute that further requires the Commission to file a complaint in court, then the Commission may file a complaint in the appropriate court seeking the penalties specified in the order, and MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, shall file a responsive pleading agreeing to

pay the penalties. The Commission shall seek a penalty on only one of MEHC or PacifiCorp for the same violation.

- iii) The Commission shall not be bound by the process provided in paragraph ii in the event the Commission determines PacifiCorp has violated any of the material conditions more than two times within a rolling 24-month period.
 - iv) PacifiCorp or MEHC, or both, shall have the opportunity to demonstrate to the Commission that the process provided in paragraph ii should not apply on a case-by-case basis.
- b) In the event of a dispute between Commission Staff and MEHC or PacifiCorp regarding a Commission Staff request made pursuant to acquisition conditions or commitments (including Berkshire Hathaway records requested pursuant to Commitment 4 or other applicable commitment), the parties agree that an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) shall resolve the dispute as follows: (i) within ten (10) business days MEHC or PacifiCorp shall deliver to the ALJ the books and records responsive to Staff's request and shall indicate the basis for the objection, including whether the request is overbroad, unduly burdensome or outside the scope of the Commission's jurisdiction; (ii) Staff may respond in writing and MEHC or PacifiCorp, or both, may reply; (iii) the ALJ shall review the documents in private; and (iv) the ALJ shall issue a ruling determining whether the documents are, directly or indirectly, relevant to PacifiCorp or reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence directly or indirectly relevant to PacifiCorp. The ALJ shall use this standard whether or not Staff is making the request in connection with an open docket. Nothing in this provision shall affect the right of MEHC or PacifiCorp to request that the Commission treat the documents as exempt from disclosure to third parties under applicable law.
- O 2.a) The corporate headquarters of PacifiCorp will remain in Oregon. MEHC commits to maintaining a balance of corporate and senior management positions between Oregon and Utah. To achieve such balance, MEHC may decide as appropriate to locate a few corporate and senior management positions, and associated staff, in Utah, if cost effective. By September 1, 2007, MEHC and PacifiCorp will file a plan with the Commission that explicitly sets forth: (1) corporate and senior management positions (and associated corporate personnel positions) that have been identified for location in Oregon and Utah; (2) the timeframe for implementing different stages of the plan; and (3) an economic analysis supporting the cost effectiveness of the plan. MEHC will promptly implement the plan pursuant to the timeframe. If corporate or senior managers, and related staff, are relocated from Oregon to Utah under the Plan, the costs of relocation will not be included in Oregon rates.
- b) PacifiCorp and MEHC will ensure that senior management personnel located in Oregon continue to have authority to make decisions on behalf of PacifiCorp

pertaining to (1) local Oregon retail customer service issues related to tariff interpretation, line extensions, service additions, DSM program implementation and (2) customer service matters related to adequate investment in and maintenance of the Oregon sub-transmission and distribution network and outage response. Such decisions will be subject to normal and prompt corporate approval procedures, senior executive approval and board approval, as appropriate. MEHC and PacifiCorp will include a description of the implementation of this commitment in the filing required in paragraph a).

- O 3. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that they will interpret Oregon Revised Statutes Sections 757.015 and 757.495 to require Commission approval of any contract between PacifiCorp and (i) any affiliate of MEHC or (ii) any affiliate of Berkshire Hathaway. This shall include the IASA. MEHC and PacifiCorp intend that by obtaining Commission approval of the IASA, PacifiCorp will avoid the need to seek individual approval of affiliate transactions which are subject to that agreement. The IASA is expected to address the provision of electric service to affiliates of MEHC or Berkshire Hathaway under tariffs approved by state or federal authorities.
- O 4. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that they will interpret Oregon Revised Statutes Sections 757.480 to require Commission approval of any transaction which results in a merger of PacifiCorp with another public utility, without regard to whether that public utility provides service in Oregon.
- O 5. Berkshire Hathaway acknowledges the Commitments made by MEHC and PacifiCorp and will not impede satisfaction of the Commitments. Berkshire Hathaway acknowledges that it is bound by Commitments 4, 5 and 17 and that it is subject to Commitments that are applicable to the affiliates of PacifiCorp and MEHC; provided, however, that Berkshire Hathaway does not guarantee or agree to be responsible for performance of Commitments made by MEHC and PacifiCorp.
- O 6. MEHC and PacifiCorp will request Commission approval, for cost allocation and affiliate transaction purposes, of the IASA and any amendments filed pursuant to Commitment 13.
- O 7. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to \$142.5 million (total company amount) of offsetable rate credits as reflected in Appendix 2 and as described in the following Commitments O 8 through O 12. These rate credits will be reflected in rates on the effective date of new rates as determined by the Commission in a general rate case. The rate credits will terminate on December 31, 2010, to the extent not previously offset, unless otherwise noted. The rate credits in Commitments O 8 and O 12 are subject to deferred accounting as specified therein. Where total company values are referenced, the amount allocated to Oregon will equal the Oregon-allocated amount using Commission-adopted allocation factors.

- 8.a) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to reduce the annual non-fuel costs to PacifiCorp customers of the West Valley lease by \$0.417 million per month (total company) or an expected \$3.7 million in 2006 (assuming a March 31, 2006 transaction closing), \$5 million in 2007 and \$2.1 million in 2008 (the lease terminates May 31, 2008), which shall be the amounts of the total company rate credit. Beginning with the first month after the close of the transaction to purchase PacifiCorp, Oregon's share of the monthly rate credit will be deferred for the benefit of customers and accrue interest at PacifiCorp's authorized rate of return. (This commitment is reflected in Row 1 of Appendix 2.)
- b) This commitment is offsettable, on a prospective basis, to the extent PacifiCorp demonstrates to the Commission's satisfaction, in the context of a general rate case, that such West Valley non-fuel cost savings:
- i) are reflected in PacifiCorp's rates; and,
 - ii) there are no offsetting actions or agreements by MEHC or PacifiCorp for which value is obtained by PPM or an affiliated company, which, directly or indirectly, increases the costs PacifiCorp would otherwise incur.
- 9.a) MEHC and PacifiCorp will hold customers harmless for increases in costs retained by PacifiCorp that were previously assigned to affiliates relating to management fees. The total company amount assigned to PacifiCorp's affiliates is \$1.5 million per year, which is the amount of the total company rate credit. This commitment expires on December 31, 2010. This Commitment is in lieu of Commitment 38, and a state must choose between this Commitment O 9 and Commitment 38. (The commitment is reflected in Row 2 of Appendix 2).
- b) This commitment is offsettable to the extent PacifiCorp demonstrates to the Commission's satisfaction, in the context of a general rate case the following:
- i) Corporate allocations from MEHC to PacifiCorp included in PacifiCorp's rates are less than \$7.3 million;
 - ii) Costs associated with functions previously carried out by parents to PacifiCorp and previously included in rates have not been shifted to PacifiCorp or otherwise included in PacifiCorp's rates; and
 - iii) Costs have not been shifted to operational and maintenance accounts (FERC accounts 500-598), customer accounts (FERC accounts 901-905), customer service and informational accounts (FERC accounts 907-910), sales accounts (FERC accounts 911-916), capital accounts, deferred debit accounts, deferred credit accounts, or other regulatory accounts.
- 10.a) MEHC commits to use an existing, or form a new, captive insurance company to provide insurance coverage for PacifiCorp's operations. The costs of forming such captive will not be reflected in PacifiCorp's regulated accounts, nor allocated directly or indirectly to PacifiCorp. Such captive shall be comparable in costs and services to that previously provided through ScottishPower's captive insurance company Dornoch. MEHC further commits that insurance costs incurred by PacifiCorp from the captive insurance company for equivalent coverage for

calendar years 2006 through 2010, inclusive, will be no more than \$7.4 million (total company). Oregon Commission Staff has valued the potential increase in PacifiCorp's total company revenue requirement from the loss of ScottishPower's captive insurance affiliate as \$4.3 million annually, which shall be the amount of the total company rate credit. This commitment expires on December 31, 2010.

- b) This commitment is offsetable if PacifiCorp demonstrates to the Commission's satisfaction, in the context of a general rate case, the costs included in PacifiCorp's rates for such insurance coverage is not more than \$7.4 million (total company). (This commitment is reflected in Row 3 in Appendix 2.)
- O 11.a) MEHC and PacifiCorp will hold customers harmless for increases in costs resulting from PacifiCorp corporate costs previously billed to PPM and other former affiliates of PacifiCorp. Oregon Commission Staff has valued the potential increase in total company revenue requirement if these costs are not eliminated as \$7.9 million annually (total company) through December 31, 2010 and \$6.4 million annually (total company) from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2015, which shall be the amounts of the total company rate credit. This commitment shall expire on the earlier of December 31, 2015 or when PacifiCorp demonstrates to the Commission's satisfaction, in the context of a general rate case, that corporate costs previously billed to PPM and other former affiliates have not been included in PacifiCorp's rates. This Commitment is in lieu of Commitment 38, and a state must choose between this Commitment O 11 and Commitment 38.
- b) This commitment is offsetable to the extent PacifiCorp demonstrates to the Commission's satisfaction, in the context of a general rate case, that corporate costs previously billed to PPM and other former affiliates have not been included in PacifiCorp's rates. (The commitment is reflected in Row 4 of Appendix 2.)
- O 12.a) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp's total company A&G costs will be reduced by \$6 million annually based on the A&G categories, assumptions, and values contained in Appendix 3 titled, "UM 1209 A & G Stretch". The maximum amount of the total company rate credit in any year is \$6 million. This commitment expires December 31, 2010. Beginning with the first month after the close of the transaction, Oregon's share of the \$0.5 million monthly rate credit will be deferred for the benefit of customers and accrue interest at PacifiCorp's authorized rate of return. This Commitment is in lieu of Commitments 22 and U 23 from the Utah settlement, and a state must choose between this Commitment O 12 and Commitments 22 and U 23.
- b) The credit will be offsetable on a prospective basis, for every dollar that PacifiCorp demonstrates, to the Commission's satisfaction, in a subsequent general rate case, that total company A&G expenses included in PacifiCorp's rates are less than \$6 million above the "Stretch Goal" and have not been shifted to other regulatory accounts. The 2006 Stretch Goal is \$222.8 million.

Subsequent Stretch Goals shall equal the 2006 Stretch Goal multiplied by the ratio of the Global Insight's Utility Cost Information Service (UCIS)-Administrative and General – Total Operations and Maintenance Index (INDEX CODE Series JEADGOM), for the test period divided by the 2006 index value. If another index is adopted in a future PacifiCorp case, that index will replace the aforementioned index and will be used on a prospective basis only. If this occurs, the Stretch Goal for future years will equal the Stretch Goal from the most recent full calendar year multiplied by the ratio of the new index for the test period divided by the new index value for that same most recent full calendar year.

- O 13. The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp (Acquisition Premium) will be excluded from the utility accounts of PacifiCorp. Further, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that they will not propose to recover the Acquisition Premium in Oregon retail rates, or include the Acquisition Premium in PacifiCorp's results of operations, unless this commitment is modified by the Commission, pursuant to a filing under ORS 756.568, to allow for the recovery of the Acquisition Premium. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not request or support a motion to modify this commitment to allow recovery of the Acquisition Premium unless a party in a proceeding before the Commission proposes an adjustment to PacifiCorp's revenue requirement that MEHC and PacifiCorp assert violates the regulatory theory of the matching principle. If PacifiCorp seeks recovery of the Acquisition Premium, then other Parties are free to oppose such recovery, including the validity of the matching principle.
- O 14.a) In the event of a ratings downgrade by two or more rating agencies of PacifiCorp's senior long-term debt that occurs within 12 months after the Commission approves the Transaction or issues an order adopting acquisition commitments from other PacifiCorp states, whichever comes later (the "Baseline Date"), and at least one such agency identifies issues related to MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp as a cause of the ratings downgrade, the assumed yield for any incremental debt issued by PacifiCorp after the downgrade will be reduced by 10 basis points for each notch that PacifiCorp is downgraded below PacifiCorp's rating on the Baseline Date. Such adjustment will continue until the debt is no longer outstanding. In the case where one rating agency issues a rating downgrade, but not two or more rating agencies, denoted as a split rating, the adjustment shall be 5 basis points for each notch. The adjustment imposed by this commitment will be eliminated for debt issuances following the ratings upgrade of PacifiCorp equal to the rating on the Baseline Date. This Commitment is in lieu of Commitment 37, and a state must choose between this Commitment O 14 and Commitment 37.
- b) In the event that debt issued by PacifiCorp within 12 months after the Baseline Date is recalled and refinanced, PacifiCorp agrees to hold customers harmless, for the term of the debt, as compared to the revenue requirements pursuant to subparagraph a) and its basis point reductions, of the originally financed debt.

- O 15.a) MEHC commits that immediately following the closing of the transaction, the acquiring company (PPW Holdings LLC) will have no debt in its capital structure. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that the consolidated capital structure of PPW Holdings LLC will not contain common equity capital below the following percentages of its Total Capital as defined in Commitment 18b:
- 48.25% from the date of the close of the transaction through December 31, 2008;
 47.25% from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009;
 46.25% from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010;
 45.25% from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011;
 44.00% after December 31, 2011.
- b) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that the consolidated capital structure of PPW Holdings LLC will not contain common equity capital below 35% of its Total Adjusted Capital as defined in Commitment 18c.
- c) MEHC will provide the Commission 30 days prior notice if PPW Holdings LLC intends to issue debt. MEHC and PacifiCorp acknowledge that if PPW Holdings LLC does issue debt, the Commission has the authority pursuant to a re-opener under ORS 756.568 limited to the consideration of additional ring-fencing provisions that may be appropriate.
- O 16. MEHC commits that no amendments, revisions or modifications will be made to the ring-fencing provisions of Commitment 11 b) without prior Commission approval pursuant to a limited re-opener under ORS 756.568 for the sole purpose of addressing the ring-fencing provisions.
- O 17. Within three months of closing of the transaction, MEHC commits to obtain a non-consolidation opinion that demonstrates that the ring fencing around PPW Holdings LLC is sufficient to prevent PPW Holdings LLC and PacifiCorp from being pulled into an MEHC bankruptcy. MEHC commits to promptly file such opinion with the Commission. If the ring-fencing provisions of this agreement are insufficient to obtain a non-consolidation opinion, MEHC agrees to promptly undertake the following actions:
- a) Notify the Commission of this inability to obtain a non-consolidation opinion.
- b) Propose and implement, upon Commission approval, such ring-fencing provisions that are sufficient to prevent PPW Holdings LLC from being pulled into an MEHC bankruptcy.
- c) Obtain a non-consolidation opinion.
- O 18. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that PacifiCorp will not make any dividends to PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC if PacifiCorp's unsecured debt rating is BBB- or

lower by S & P or Fitch (or Baa3 or lower by Moody's), as indicated by two of the three rating agencies.

- O 19. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to support renewal of the 3% public purpose charge under ORS 757.612 beyond 2011, provided that the Commission supports the renewal, the report to the legislature required under ORS 757.617 concludes that the Energy Trust continues to operate in a reasonable manner, and the legislation renewing the 3% public purpose charge is not included in a bill that MEHC and PacifiCorp otherwise deem objectionable. Additionally, with respect to potential modifications to the 3% public purpose charge arising from the 2007 report to the legislature required under ORS 757.617, MEHC and PacifiCorp agree to oppose any modifications that reduce the public purpose charge to less than 3% annually. In addition, provided the report to the legislature concludes the Energy Trust has operated in a reasonable manner and the Commission renews its contract with the Energy Trust, MEHC and PacifiCorp will support the Energy Trust.
- O 20. MEHC and PacifiCorp acknowledge that the \$10 million low-income bill payment assistance under ORS 757.612 does not expire in 2011. MEHC and PacifiCorp will oppose any reduction in the current amount of the fund.
- O 21. MEHC commits to provide shareholder funding to hire a consultant to study and design for possible implementation of an arrearage management project for low-income customers that could be made applicable to Oregon and other states that PacifiCorp serves. PacifiCorp will provide a resource for facilitation of a working group to oversee the project. The study shall commence no later than 180 days after close of the transaction and be completed, through the issuance of a formal report to the Commission, no later than 365 days after close of the transaction. MEHC recognizes that such a program may have to be tailored to best fit the unique low-income environment of each individual state. The project will be developed by PacifiCorp in conjunction with the relevant regulatory and governmental agencies, low-income advocates, and other interested parties in each state that is interested in participating. The goals for the project will include reducing service terminations, reducing referral of delinquent customers to third party collection agencies, reducing collection litigation and reducing arrearages and increasing voluntary customer payments of arrearages. The costs of this study will be at least \$66,000 on a total company basis paid for by shareholders. If less than six states participate, the amount of the shareholder funds will be reduced proportionally.
- O 22. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to a total contribution level for Oregon low-income bill payment assistance in the amount of \$400,000 annually, for a five-year period beginning July 1, 2006. The contributions may be comprised of contributions from corporate, employee, other sources, and customer donations. The corporate contribution will be recorded in non-utility accounts. Before the

end of the five-year period, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to work with low-income advocates and customer groups to evaluate additional contributions.

- O 23. MEHC and PacifiCorp agree to include representatives of both Community Action Directors of Oregon and Oregon Energy Coordinators Association in the list of interested parties participating in the DSM study under Commitment 44.
- O 24. MEHC and PacifiCorp acknowledge current city franchise authority including but not limited to a city's authority to control the use of its rights of way and collect charges for the use of the city's rights of way, as set forth and authorized by applicable Oregon law. Before any efforts to seek a legislative or regulatory change, MEHC and PacifiCorp will enter into discussions with the League of Oregon Cities regarding said modifications.
- O 25. To the extent available, MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to have 400 MW of cost effective new renewable resources in PacifiCorp's generation portfolio by December 31, 2007. The 400 MW will include Wolverine Creek (64.5 MW) and Cove Fort (42 MW). MEHC and PacifiCorp will analyze the projects consistent with applicable regulatory rules and orders in effect at the time and as informed by the IRP. Resource identification shall be performed using an RFP procedure. If PacifiCorp fails to meet this 400 MW target it will disclose to signatories (excluding any bidders and affiliates of bidders) the cost-effectiveness analysis it used when rejecting the lowest cost projects. PacifiCorp shall file a report, on the status of meeting this target, with the Commission no later than six months after close of the transaction. In evaluating acquisition of renewable energy, all other things being equal, MEHC and PacifiCorp will not prefer ownership of facilities.
- O 26.a) Concurrent with its next IRP filing, PacifiCorp commits to file a ten-year plan for achieving the 1400 MW renewables target, including specific milestones over the ten years when resources will be added. The filing will include a ten-year plan for installing transmission that will facilitate the delivery of renewable energy and the achievement of its 2015 goal of at least 1400 MW of cost-effective renewable energy. Within six (6) months after the close of the transaction, MEHC and PacifiCorp will file with the Commission a preliminary plan for achieving the 1400 MW renewable target.
- b) PacifiCorp commits to address as part of its next IRP the appropriate role of incremental hydropower projects in meeting the 1400 MW renewables target.
- O 27. MEHC and PacifiCorp will support cost effective and safe community renewable energy projects in Oregon using PURPA contracts implemented under avoided cost tariffs approved by the Commission. If PURPA is no longer in effect in Oregon before an alternate market for community renewable energy is developed, PacifiCorp will work with Oregon stakeholders and the Commission to develop replacement procedures for new contracts. For the purpose of this Commitment, community renewable energy projects are defined as: Locally owned renewable

energy projects. normally 1-10 MW standard contract PURPA projects and industrial co-gen type projects above 10 MW that use negotiated PURPA contracts. Projects can be: 1. Private ownership (example - several farmers in a wind project); 2. Municipal ownership (irrigation district small-hydro or local school; wind turbine); or 3. Combined municipal/private ownership projects (local community partnered with landowners).

- O 28. To the extent consistent with the interests of PacifiCorp's retail customers, MEHC and PacifiCorp will support through action and policy the emerging community renewable energy market in Oregon. PacifiCorp will also consult with community renewable energy representatives if PacifiCorp is contemplating changes to system operations that would adversely affect community renewable energy projects.
- O 29. MEHC and PacifiCorp agree that once a FERC license is issued and (a) PacifiCorp either (i) affirmatively accepts the license, or (ii) is deemed to have accepted the license pursuant to the terms of the license and FERC rules and procedures, and (b) the license's conditions are not subject to further appeals, PacifiCorp shall have the ability to fund implementation of all final license conditions. This provision is generally applicable, but also specifically applies to the following PacifiCorp hydropower projects: Klamath, Lewis River, and Prospect.
- O 30. MEHC and PacifiCorp renew PacifiCorp's commitment to implement the Condit (FERC No. 2342, settlement signed Sept. 22, 1999, amended Feb. 28th, 2005), Lewis (FERC Nos. 935, 2071, 2111, 2213, settlement signed November 30, 2004) and Powerdale (FERC No. 2659, settlement signed June 26, 2003), settlement agreements. As circumstances evolve, PacifiCorp will continue to approach the agreements in a spirit of cooperation with other stakeholders and to attempt through constructive dialog with the parties to find ways to accomplish the goals identified in the agreements. MEHC and PacifiCorp agree to make reasonable attempts to accomplish the objectives of those agreements even in the face of changing circumstances, to the extent it is consistent with customer interests.
- O 31. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to form an IGCC Working Group, sponsored by PacifiCorp to discuss various policy and technology issues associated with IGCC, carbon capture, and sequestration. Working Group members would include representatives from major stakeholder and regulatory groups, PacifiCorp and MEHC officials, and others as appropriate. The Working Group will include Oregon stakeholders as well. Some issues and challenges to development that would be considered by the Working Group would include:
- the status of development of carbon sequestration policy and methods, including requirements for monitoring and verifying sequestration options;
 - information sharing, so that, to the extent possible, all parties develop a shared understanding of expected IGCC technology benefits, expected capital and O&M costs, and potential risks;

- information sharing to understand such terms and associated requirements with concepts such as “carbon capture ready” and “permanent sequestration”;
- issues related to technology of and permitting for IGCC air emissions, waste disposal, water use and site usage;
- commercial terms and conditions associated with IGCC plant development, construction, and maintenance; and
- implications of Utah SB 26 on development of IGCC plants given the implications of long development lead times, development costs, project risk, and cost uncertainty.
- the allocation of risk between shareholders and ratepayers of additional carbon dioxide emissions in the event PacifiCorp proceeds with a coal unit that is not able to capture and store carbon emissions.

The IGCC Working Group would meet periodically to discuss the above issues and identify possible solutions, and to stay abreast of the evolving technology and commercial environment.

O 32. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to the following:

- a) MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to study the economics and viability of an IGCC option and will present the results of this study as a resource alternative to inform the resource selection and RFP process under consideration in Docket 05-035-47. PacifiCorp will also file the results of this study and the draft RFP with the OPUC for review and public comment. PacifiCorp will suggest procedural schedules that will facilitate this commitment. As soon as practical, but not later than three months after the closing of the transaction, PacifiCorp will provide to the parties estimated cost and timeline ranges for completion of an IGCC project, as well as potential resource alternatives if an IGCC design is not reasonably achievable in time to economically meet the resource need presently identified in 2012 from a customer and shareholder perspective.
- b) PacifiCorp will perform initial conceptual and siting studies, general feasibility studies, and, where appropriate, other more detailed studies and engineering work, for an IGCC plant for the 2014 resource need identified in the October 2005 IRP Update. The studies will include an evaluation of the expected cost and performance impacts of constructing a plant to be carbon capture ready. These studies will be performed in parallel with similar studies to evaluate other generation technologies. Such studies will be completed within the next IRP cycle.
- c) PacifiCorp will include a utility self-build option of an IGCC unit in any RFPs for the 2014 and later non-renewable resource needs, whether or not the IGCC option is found to be PacifiCorp’s preferred cost-based alternative, and present PacifiCorp’s evaluation of the IGCC option against another self-build alternative(s) as part of the Utah SB 26 process. This will include an

evaluation of the cost and performance impacts of the IGCC resource being constructed to be carbon capture ready.

- O 33 Prior to January 1, 2016, MEHC and PacifiCorp will not support Oregon legislation to eliminate or impair retail access as defined by SB 1149 and relevant Commission rules.
- O 34. MEHC and PacifiCorp acknowledge that the Commitments are being made by MEHC and PacifiCorp and are binding only upon them (and their affiliates where noted). MEHC and PacifiCorp are not requesting in this proceeding a determination of the prudence, just and reasonable character, rate or ratemaking treatment, or public interest of the investments, expenditures or actions referenced in the Commitments, and the Parties in appropriate proceedings may take such positions regarding the prudence, just and reasonable character, rate or ratemaking treatment, or public interest of the investments, expenditures or actions as they deem appropriate.
- O 35. With respect to any proceeding, including but not limited to any rate case, tariff filing, pass-through application, show cause, complaint or other proceeding, wherein PacifiCorp's Oregon retail rates are based, in whole or in part, upon PacifiCorp's wholesale power transactions, PacifiCorp and MEHC acknowledge that the Commission has jurisdiction to determine the prudence of PacifiCorp's wholesale power transactions and whether PacifiCorp's retail rates are just and reasonable. To the extent PacifiCorp contends the Commission is required to include the costs of the wholesale power transactions in Oregon retail rates, PacifiCorp and MEHC commit that PacifiCorp will raise and litigate such issues before the Commission. To the extent decisions regarding such issues are within the areas reserved to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission, PacifiCorp and MEHC agree that any challenge to the Commission order will be in the form of an appeal of that order. In the event that PacifiCorp anticipates a court challenge to a Commission order that would trigger the provisions of Commitment O 35, PacifiCorp will (1) seek a rehearing of such Commission order; and (2) identify in writing in its petition for rehearing those contested issues which it believes are and are not within the areas reserved to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commission.