BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

ORDER

Advice 25-015, Schedule 401, Service to New Large Energy Use Facilities.

DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED; PACIFICORP'S REQUEST FOR INTERIM RATE SCHEDULES DENIED; AWEC'S MOTION TO DISMISS DENIED

On October 2, 2025, PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, filed tariff sheets in Advice No. 25-015 to be effective January 1, 2026. The filing seeks establish a new rate schedule, Schedule 401–Service to New Large Energy Use Facilities, and implement revisions to Schedule 47–Large General Service Partial Requirements 1,000 KW and Over Delivery Service, Schedule 48–Large General Service 1,000 KW and Over Delivery Service, and Schedule 90–Summary of Effective Rate Adjustments.

On October 31, 2025, Amazon Data Services, Inc. (ADS) filed a petition requesting the Commission suspend Schedule 401 and open a contested case hearing to investigate. According to ADS, "PacifiCorp's Tariff Filing does not accurately implement HB 3546 and raises a series of issues that require the Commission and stakeholders' evaluation."

November 10, 2025, PacifiCorp filed a response to ADS's petition, asking the Commission to approve Schedule 401 on an interim basis subject to investigation and revision, and for an expedited investigation process.

On November 17, 2025, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC) filed a motion to dismiss PacifiCorp's Schedule 401. AWEC contends that PacifiCorp's filing fails to meet the requirements of HB 3546 to include a cost-of-service rate option with actual stated rates. ADS supports AWEC's motion, but PacifiCorp opposes.

¹ ADS Petition to Suspend Tariff Filing and Initiate Investigation and Contested Case Hearing at 2 (Oct. 31, 2025).

We find good and sufficient cause exists to investigate the propriety and reasonableness of the tariff sheets under ORS 757.210 and 757.215. ORS 757.215(1) authorizes the suspension of a rate filing for a period up to ten months. While we conclude at this time that a ten-month suspension is necessary to investigate this tariff filing and deny PacifiCorp's petition for interim rate schedules, we acknowledge PacifiCorp's arguments that customer protection requires timely decision making. We also deny AWEC's motion to dismiss. The contested case investigation will address both timing concerns and the requirements of HB 3546 and other statues and rules.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Advice No. 25-015 filed by PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, is suspended for a period of time of up to ten months from January 1, 2026, the effective date of the tariff sheets.
- 2. The petition for interim rate schedules, filed by PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, is denied.
- 3. The motion to dismiss, filed by the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers, is denied.

² Effective July 17, 2025, the Oregon Legislature amended ORS 757.215(1) to allow suspensions of up to ten months from the date that the rates would otherwise go into effect. House Bill 3179 (2025).