ORDER NO. 00-287

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of the Revised Tariff Schedules in Oregon filed by PacifiCorp, d.b.a. Pacific Power and Light Company.

AMENDING ORDER

DISPOSITION: PETITION TO AMEND GRANTED

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On April 26, 2000, PacifiCorp, d.b.a. Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp) filed a petition to modify Order No. 98-191 pursuant to ORS 756.568 and OAR 860-013-0020. In Order No. 98-191, the Commission approved an alternative form of regulation (AFOR) applicable to PacifiCorp's Oregon distribution operations. Among other things, the order requires PacifiCorp to provide an annual earnings report for the most recent calendar year by April 30 of each year.

In its petition, PacifiCorp states that the company is currently processing four general rate cases, including UE 111 in Oregon, and that its regulatory personnel are extremely busy. Due to current workload issues, PacifiCorp seeks an amendment of Order No. 98-191 to allow a one-month extension of time to May 31, 2000, to file the company's earning report reflecting its 1999 earnings experience. The company clarifies that this request applies only to this year's earnings report filing and does not seek an amendment of the order to govern future filings. PacifiCorp asserts that no party will be unduly prejudiced by the extension, and adds that it has discussed this petition with members of the Commission Staff, who do not oppose the request.

No party filed an objection to PacifiCorp's request, and the time for doing so has expired. The Commission has reviewed PacifiCorp's petition and grants it. The Commission agrees that no party will be unduly prejudiced by the one-month extension. As PacifiCorp explains in its petition, if the earnings report show that an earnings band adjustment is required under the terms of the AFOR, the company will attribute an appropriate carrying charge to any earnings adjustment amount shown to be necessary.

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IT IS ORDERED that Order No. 98-191 is amended to allow PacifiCorp, d.b.a. Pacific Power & Light Company, a one-month extension of time to May 31, 2000, to file the company's earning report reflecting its 1999 earnings experience.

Made, entered, and effective ______.

Ron Eachus Chairman Roger Hamilton Commissioner

Joan H. Smith 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 of 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. A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.

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