
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,)	
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)	Docket No. 03-035-28
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Claimant,)	
v.)	PREPARED REBUTTAL
)	TESTIMONY OF
PACIFICORP, dba UTAH POWER,)	JOHN R. CORDOVA
)	FOR PACIFICORP
Respondent.)	
)	July 14, 2004
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1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is John R. Cordova. My business address is 320 North 100 West,
3 Moab, Utah.

4 **Q. By whom are you employed and what is your position?**

5 A. I am employed by PacifiCorp as Distribution Operations Manager. I have been
6 employed by PacifiCorp and Utah Power and Light for the past 29 years.

7 **Q. During your employment with PacifiCorp, did you ever hold a position within the**
8 **Transmission and Distribution (T&D) Infrastructure Management Department?**

9 A. Yes. I worked for that department during the time period between January
10 2003 and December 2003 when I was employed as the Southeast Supervisor.

11 **Q. What were your job responsibilities in this position?**

12 A. My job responsibilities as the Southeast Supervisor included oversight of
13 inspections related to application and permit processing for work performed by third

1 parties on PacifiCorp's poles in the Salt Lake Valley area and the districts south of that
2 area.

3 **Q. Have you read the direct testimony offered by Rodney Bell and Michael**
4 **Harrelson, on behalf of Comcast in the above captioned proceeding?**

5 A. Yes. I have reviewed their testimony.

6 **Q. What areas will your testimony address?**

7 A. My testimony will address Mr. Harrelson's inaccurate interpretation of my
8 deposition testimony and Mr. Bell's characterization of a meeting between the two of
9 us in 2002.

10 **Q. In his direct testimony, Mr. Harrelson claims that you stated in your deposition**
11 **testimony that PacifiCorp had no formal permitting procedures in place prior to**
12 **2002. Is this an accurate interpretation of your deposition testimony?**

13 A. No. First, PacifiCorp did have formal permitting and application requirements
14 in place prior to 2002. Second, I never indicated otherwise in my deposition testimony.

15 **Q. Then can you explain what you were referring to when you stated in your**
16 **deposition that there were "gaps" in the process?**

17 A. When I made that statement, I was referring to the fact that I had been informed
18 that-third party attachers were not following the appropriate permitting procedures. To
19 be clear, I was in no way stating that the "gaps" were in PacifiCorp's requirements.
20 Rather, in making this statement, I was noting that the "gaps" were in the compliance
21 with those requirements by third parties. I also indicated in my deposition testimony I

1 did not believe that there was any one individual in the field whose responsibility it
2 was to police third-party compliance with the permitting requirements. Thus, although
3 PacifiCorp had formal permitting requirements, attachers sometimes did not follow
4 those requirements, and PacifiCorp was forced to create processes and personnel to
5 concentrate on attachments and ensure that these compliance gaps were consistently
6 fixed.

7 As I explained in my deposition, I cannot speak to the specifics of PacifiCorp's
8 permitting process during the mid-1990s because I was not involved with joint use
9 permitting during that time period. The extent of my knowledge of the process prior to
10 2003, when I joined T&D Infrastructure, was my awareness that Corey Fitz Gerald was
11 going to the various field offices in 1996 training field personnel as to the appropriate
12 procedures pertaining to joint use.

13 **Q. In his direct testimony, Mr. Bell discussed a meeting that took place in 2002**
14 **between the two of you. Is Mr. Bell's characterization of this meeting accurate?**

15 A. No. First, I never indicated to Mr. Bell that I was "putting together" or
16 otherwise creating any database. Second, I never indicated that I was going to
17 implement changes to PacifiCorp's permitting process and requirements. The purpose
18 of this meeting was to maintain and encourage a cooperative joint use program. In this
19 spirit, I told Mr. Bell that I hoped to make the process move more quickly by
20 facilitating more coordination and communication between PacifiCorp and Comcast.

1 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

2 **A. Yes it does.**