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<u>Rate Design</u> Please identify and describe in detail any meetings, discussions, or phone conversations that were held between Division of Public Utilities, persons representing or testifying on behalf of Division of Public Utilities and any parties in this Rate Case prior to filing of Direct Testimony on February 22, 2010, pertaining to the Division's revenue decoupling proposal.

## DPU Response to UCE / SWEEP Set 1 Data Request 1

On or about 12/23/09 – Phil Powlick and Artie Powell propose exploring decoupling to Jeff Larsen (RMP). DPU to develop model mechanism and tariff for RMP consideration.

On or about 12/30/09 – Phil Powlick call to Jeff Larsen (RMP) inquiring about RMP/Pacificorp reaction to decoupling. RMP reservations discussed. Meeting to walk through mechanism discussed.

1/13/10 – Meeting between DPU (Artie Powell, Phil Powlick, Abdnasir Abdulle, Marlin Barrow) and RMP/Pacificorp (Jeff Larsen, Dave Taylor, Bill Griffith by phone). Explanation of Questar decoupling mechanism. Discussion of mechanism details. Discussion of rate design implications. General agreement on concepts to be pursued. DPU to continue working on details.

1/21/10 – Phil Powlick informs Sarah Wright (UCE) that decoupling will be proposed. Discussion of DPU reasoning and motivation. No details of mechanism discussed.

On or about 1/25/10 – Phil Powlick informs Gary Dodge (UAE) that decoupling will be proposed. General discussion of mechanism and DPU reasoning. General discussion of UAE past positions and potential reservations.

1/28/10 – Phil Powlick informs Michele Beck (OCS) that decoupling will be proposed. General discussion that mechanism will be similar to Questar. General discussion of pro's and con's of decoupling.

2/10/10 – Phil Powlick and Gary Dodge discuss UAE reservations about decoupling.

## **Exhibit OCS- 8.4 SR Beck**

2/16 – Phone conference between DPU (Artie Powell, Phil Powlick, Abdinasir Abdulle) and RMP (Bill Griffith, Dave Taylor, James Zhang). Walked through DPU prepared spreadsheet showing an example of how to apply the Questar decoupling mechanism to RMP.

2/18/2010 – Phil Powlick informs Bob Reeder (UEIC) that decoupling will be proposed as part of wide-ranging discussion of current issues.