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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Gary Widerburg Commission Secretary Public Service Commission of Utah Heber M. Wells Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: PacifiCorp Notice of Affiliate Transaction

Docket No. 05-035-54

Dear Mr. Widerburg:

Pursuant to Commitment U3(2), incorporated in the Public Service Commission of Utah's *Report and Order* approving the *Acquisition of PacifiCorp by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company*, issued January 27, 2006, as amended March 14, 2006, and June 5, 2006, Rocky Mountain Power hereby provides notice of an affiliate interest transaction. Filed concurrently as Attachment A is the Right of Way Easement ("Easement") between PacifiCorp, and BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF"), Work Order No. 05679950.

PacifiCorp is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company ("MEHC"). MEHC is a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. BNSF is also a subsidiary of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. Therefore, Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.'s ownership interest in MEHC and BNSF may create an affiliated interest in some PacifiCorp jurisdictions.

The Company provides retail electric service to BNSF's depot located in Yakima, Washington. BNSF is relocating a section of its tracks leading to the depot to accommodate the City of Yakima's street improvement project near the depot. As a result, the Company must relocate a portion of the underground facilities used to serve BNSF at this location, which requires a new easement. Without the Easement, the Company's ability to provide adequate, safe, and reliable service to its customers would be diminished.

Typically, BNSF charges \$3,000 to \$5,000 for easement agreements of this nature. However, because the Easement is needed so that the Company can provide electric service to BNSF, there will be no charge for the Easement. There is a \$600 application fee that was paid by the City of Yakima.

Obtaining the Easement is in the public interest because it allows the Company to install and maintain facilities necessary to provide electric service and to meet its obligation to provide

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safe and reliable electric service. Not having the Easement would mean that PacifiCorp would not be able to meet its obligation to provide electric service. As the property owner, BNSF is the only entity that can provide this Easement to the Company. Additionally, the Easement allows the Company to provide electric service to BNSF.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

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Enclosures

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