

1 Q Please state your name, business address and present position with PacifiCorp (the  
2 Company).

3 A. My name is Daniel C. Peterson. My business address is One Utah Center, Suite 2300,  
4 201 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84140-2300 and my present position is  
5 Manager, Revenue Requirement.

6 Q. Have you previously submitted pre-filed direct testimony in this proceeding?

7 A. Yes.

### 8 **Purpose of Testimony**

9 Q. What is the purpose of your supplemental testimony?

10 A. I address certain normalizing adjustments contained in the Company's Results of  
11 Operations Report for the twelve months ended September 2000 which has been filed as  
12 an exhibit to the supplemental testimony of Company witness Doug Larson. As  
13 discussed in Mr. Wright's supplemental testimony, the updated test period for this case is  
14 now the twelve-month period ending September 30, 2000. My testimony explains  
15 normalizing adjustments 4.6, 4.9, 4.17 and 4.19 in Tab 4 (O&M expense), the  
16 adjustments in Tab 6 (Depreciation and Amortization), the adjustments in Tab 7 (Tax  
17 Adjustments) and adjustments 8.9, 8.14, 8.15 and 8.16 in Tab 8 (Rate Base). As  
18 explained by Mr. Larson, the adjustments are presented in pre-tax dollars, where  
19 applicable. The tax effect of each adjustment is calculated and reflected on the summary  
20 page following each tab.

### 21 **Normalizing Adjustments**

22 Q. Please explain O&M adjustments 4.6, 4.9, 4.17 and 4.19 contained in Tab 4.

1 A. **Uncollectible Accounts** (Adjustment 4.6) – This adjustment normalizes bad debt  
2 expense based on 2000 actual experience. Adjustment 4.6 reduces Utah expense by  
3 \$575,942.

4 **Noell Kempf Climate Action Project** (Adjustment 4.9) – This adjustment amortizes the  
5 total actual expenditures on the Noell Kempf Climate Action Project over five years, with  
6 the unamortized balance in rate base, as ordered by the Commission in Docket No. 99-  
7 035-10. Adjustment 4.9 increases Utah allocated expense by \$65,311 and increases rate  
8 base by \$249,996.

9 **Miscellaneous General Expenses** (Adjustment 4.17) – This adjustment removes  
10 membership and dues expense for the Utah Taxpayers Association and the Utah  
11 Manufacturers Association, as well as certain miscellaneous expenses as ordered by the  
12 Commission in Docket No. 99-035-10. Adjustment 4.17 reduces Utah expense by  
13 \$62,331.

14 **Postage Allocation** (Adjustment 4.19) – The Commission’s order in Docket No. 99-035-  
15 10, as modified by the Order on Reconsideration dated October 6, 2000, requires that a  
16 portion of postage expense be borne by unregulated activities. This adjustment allocates  
17 postage expense for the twelve months ended September 30, 2000 between regulated and  
18 unregulated activities in accordance with the Commission order. Adjustment 4.19  
19 reduces Utah allocated expense by \$149,609.

20 Q. Please explain the depreciation and amortization adjustments summarized under Tab 6,  
21 page 6.0.

22 A. **Correct Accumulated Depreciation Reserve** (Adjustment 6.1) – PacifiCorp began  
23 booking increased depreciation expense in Utah beginning in December of 1997

1 (effective January 1, 1997) and continuing through June of 1998 based on a 1996  
2 depreciation study of the Company's depreciable electric plant. The 1996 depreciation  
3 study was not acted upon by the Commission. As a result of booking depreciation  
4 expenses based on the 1996 depreciation study, PacifiCorp booked total additional  
5 expenses of approximately \$29 million Company-wide (\$28.3 million excluding  
6 Centralia). In the Stipulation approved by the Commission in Docket No. 98-2035-03,  
7 the parties agreed that the Company should reverse the booking of the change in  
8 depreciation rates based on the 1996 depreciation study. However, this reversal was not  
9 recorded in the Company's accounting records until April 2000. Therefore, Adjustment  
10 6.1 is necessary to restate accumulated depreciation for the twelve months ended  
11 September 30, 2000 to the proper level. This adjustment reduces Utah accumulated  
12 depreciation (thereby increasing rate base) by \$4,394,505. In addition the Commission  
13 ruled in Docket No. 99-035-10 that the additional depreciation expense associated with  
14 Condit not be allowed. This adjustment removes 1997 and 1998 depreciation expense for  
15 Condit from the reserve balance increasing Utah rate base an additional \$2,042,900.

16 **Depreciation Accounting Adjustment** (Adjustment 6.2) – The parties to the Stipulation  
17 in Docket No. 98-2035-03 also agreed that Utah's share of the \$29 million accounting  
18 adjustment would be amortized over 24 months. After removing the Centralia Plant, the  
19 adjustment is reduced to approximately \$28.3 million total company. Adjustment 6.2 is  
20 necessary to reverse the accounting amortization of the \$28.3 million and to reflect 12  
21 months of regulatory amortization. Since the new depreciation rates include the recovery  
22 of \$2 million of Condit Dam removal costs each year, this adjustment also reflects the  
23 first year of a five-year amortization of \$5.5 million of Condit removal costs previously

1 disallowed by the Commission. Adjustment 6.2 reverses the accounting amortization by  
2 increasing Utah-allocated O&M expense by \$2,615,132 and substitutes in the regulatory  
3 amortization, net of the Condit removal amortization, by reducing Utah-allocated  
4 depreciation expense by \$3,985,925. Adjustment 6.2 also reduces Utah rate base by  
5 \$204,290.

6 **Annualized Depreciation Expense** (Adjustment 6.3) – The current Commission-  
7 approved depreciation rates (from Docket No. 98-2035-03) were applied to September  
8 30, 2000 depreciable plant balances to calculate the on-going level of depreciation  
9 expense using existing rates. This annualized depreciation expense was compared to the  
10 actual expense booked to Account 403 for the same period. This adjustment to booked  
11 depreciation expense is necessary to reflect on-going depreciation expense based on the  
12 depreciation rates in effect and the depreciable plant balances reflected in the test period.  
13 Adjustment 6.3 increases Utah allocated expense by \$1,827,484.

14 **Annualized Accumulated Depreciation** (Adjustment 6.4) – Adjustment 6.3 annualized  
15 depreciation expense, and any change made to depreciation expense has a direct impact  
16 on the accumulated depreciation reserve balance. Adjustment 6.4 is necessary to reflect  
17 the impact of adjustment 6.3 on the accumulated depreciation reserve. This adjustment  
18 decreases Utah allocated rate base by \$ 913,742.

19 Adjustments 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, and 6.4 exclude accumulated depreciation impacts  
20 related to the Centralia Plant and Mine. Accumulated depreciation associated with the  
21 Centralia Plant and Mine is removed from test period results in Adjustment 8.18.

22 Q. Please explain the interest and tax adjustments summarized under Tab 7, page 7.0.

1 A. **Interest True-up** (Adjustment 7.1) – The amount of interest expense included in the test  
2 period is a cost of financing rate base through debt securities. Therefore, it is appropriate  
3 to synchronize or true up the amount of interest expense with the amount of rate base.  
4 This true up was accomplished by multiplying the jurisdiction specific adjusted rate base  
5 by the weighted cost of debt. The interest determined in this manner was then compared  
6 to the actual interest recorded for twelve months ended September 30, 2000 to determine  
7 the necessary adjustment. For ratemaking purposes, interest expense is a deduction in  
8 determining income taxes. Therefore, the revenue requirement impact of the interest true  
9 up is reflected as a change in income tax expense. Adjustment 7.1 increases interest  
10 expense allocated to Utah by \$7,259,088, thereby reducing income tax expense by  
11 \$2,761,408.

12 **Wyoming Wind Tax Credit** (Adjustment 7.2) – This adjustment normalizes a federal  
13 income tax credit the Company is entitled to take as a result of placing its Wyoming wind  
14 generating plant into service before June 30, 2004. The credit, which is based on the  
15 generation of the plant, will expire after June 2004 unless renewed by the federal  
16 government. Adjustment 7.2 reduces Utah income tax expense by \$767,856.

17 Q. Please explain Rate Base adjustments 8.9, 8.14, 8.15 and 8.16 contained in Tab 8.

18 A. **Update Cash Working Capital** (Adjustment 8.9) – This adjustment is necessary to true-  
19 up cash working capital for the normalizing adjustments made in this filing. Cash  
20 working capital is calculated by taking total operation and maintenance expense allocated  
21 to Utah (excluding depreciation and amortization) and adding Utah's allocated share of  
22 taxes, including state and federal income taxes and taxes other than income. This total is  
23 then divided by the number of days in the year to determine the Company's adjusted daily

1 cost of service. The daily cost of service is multiplied by the Company's net lag days to  
2 produce the cash working capital. Adjustment 8.9 increases Utah allocated rate base by  
3 \$15,661,060.

4 **Reverse Accounting Write-Downs Part 1** (Adjustment 8.14), **Part 2** (Adjustment 8.15)  
5 and **Part 3** (Adjustment 8.16) – These adjustments remove from test period results of  
6 operations certain accruals and asset write-downs that are not appropriate for electric  
7 operations. The adjustments also reflect a three-year amortization of other one-time  
8 write-offs that do relate to electric operations but which should be normalized for  
9 ratemaking purposes. Adjustment 8.14 decreases Utah allocated expense by \$7,527,232,  
10 increases Utah allocated rate base by \$153,130 and reflects deferred tax effects.  
11 Adjustment 8.15 increases Utah revenues by \$1,401,214, decreases Utah allocated  
12 expense by \$1,002,878, increases Utah allocated rate base by \$416,723 and reflects  
13 deferred tax effects. Adjustment 8.16 increases Utah revenues by \$667,306, reduces Utah  
14 allocated expense by \$462,199, increases Utah allocated rate base by \$38,051 and reflects  
15 deferred tax effects.

16 **Conclusion**

17 Q. In summary what conclusion does your testimony support?

18 A. My testimony demonstrates that the normalizing adjustments described above are  
19 reasonable and necessary to fairly reflect PacifiCorp's results of operations for the twelve  
20 months ended September 30, 2000.

21 Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

22 A. Yes.