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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., a Pennsylvania corporation,

Docket No. 03 035 28

Claimant,

vs.

PACIFICORP, dba UTAH POWER, an Oregon corporation,

Respondent.

DEPOSITION OF JOHN CARDOVA

TAKEN AT:

Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll

201 S. Main Street, Suite 600

Salt Lake City, Utah

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Deposition of John Cardova 2 May 21, 2004 3 'PROCEEDINGS 4 John Cardova, called as a witness for and on behalf of the Claimant, being first duly 5 6 sworn, was examined and testified as follows: 7 EXAMINATION 8 BY-MR. THOMAS: 9 Q. Good morning--good afternoon, Mr. 10 Cordova. 11 Α. Good afternoon. 12 My name is Dave Thomas, and I'll be 13 taking your deposition this afternoon. represent Comcast in the current dispute that's 14 15 before the Public Service Commission here. 16 Could you please state your full name 17 for the record. 18 Α. John Robert Cordova. Yeah. 19 And by whom are you employed? Ο. 20 Α. PacifiCorp. 21 Q. And what's your business address, 22 please? 23 320 North 100 West, Moab, Utah. Α. 24 Have you had your deposition taken Q. 25 before?



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Q. What I'd like to do is just go over a few preliminary matters with you in case--you probably have heard some of this from your counsel already, but it's important that you speak audibly because everything is being recorded by the court reporter.

If I ask you a yes or no question, when you nod to me I know what you are saying but that's not necessarily going to be picked up in the transcripts.

A. Okay.

No.

Q. I am going to try and ask you clear questions. I'm not necessarily going to succeed in doing that, so if you don't understand my question, please ask me to restate it because I want you to be, you know, comfortable with the questions.

If you need to take a break at any time, feel free to do so.

If you have a question that—if there is a question that I've asked and is pending and you started to answer the question, I would appreciate it if you could finish the answer before consulting with your counsel if you decide



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that you want to, in fact, consult with counsel. 1 2 And if at any time during the course of 3 the deposition you reflect back on an answer that you may have given previously that you wish to 4 clarify or supplement, please feel free to do so. 5 6 It's important to do that because this is a--the 7 record of our conversation today, and it may be-you know, may be used in proceedings in the 8 future or in this proceeding in the future. 9 10 A couple of more preliminary questions just in the nature of nailing down specifics for 11 12 the deposition. 13 Are you on any medication or drugs that would make it difficult for you to answer the 14 15 questions completely and honestly? 16 Α. No, none. 17 Okay. Are you under a doctor's care for anything that would make it difficult for you 18 19 to answer? 20 Α. No. 21 Have you had an alcoholic drink Okay. within the last eight hours or so that would make 22 it difficult for you to answer the questions? 23



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Is there any other reason why you

wouldn't be able to answer the questions 1 completely and truthfully? 2 T see none. Α. 3 Okay. Mr. Cordova, could you please tell me your full title and a description of your 5 job responsibilities at this time for PacifiCorp. 6 I am the Distribution Operations Α. 7 Manager. The duties are the line crews. I am 8 responsible for line crews. We build power lines, 9 keep the power lines, essentially. I also have a 10 person that does the design, an estimator, service 11 coordinator. 12 Do the estimators report to you? 13 They do. There is one estimator. 14 Yeah. For the Moab, Blanding, Green River area. 15 Essentially Grand and San Juan Counties. 16 Now, was there a time when you were 17 responsible for joint use in other parts of Utah 18 for PacifiCorp? 19 Yes. 20 Α. When was that? 21 ο. '03--pretty much all of '03, from about 22 January through December. I transitioned to this 23



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new job in December, so there was a little bit of

overlap in December. I officially started this

1	new job January 5 of '04.
2	Q. The one where you are responsible for
, 3	line crews out of Moab?
4	A. Correct.
5	Q. And from the roughly January through
6	December 2003 time frame could you give me your
7	job title and anyou know, a descriptive overview
8	of your responsibilities in that role.
9	A. I was the T&D Infrastructure Manager
10	for the southeast area which is North Salt Lake
11	through the rest of the state going south.
12	Q. And what does that mean, T&D?
13	A. Transmission and distribution. It's a
14	title.
15	Q. A title?
16	A. Really, the bottom line wewe were the
17	contacts for thethe joint use or thethe third
18	party contacts.
19	Q. Were you based in Utah or based in
20	Portland?
21	A. Based here, here in Salt Lake.
22	Q. In Salt Lake.
23	Prior to January of 2003, where were
24	you employed?
25	A. Here again. I have been
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estimator.

In '97 I moved down here to North Temple supporting--essentially supporting



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1 estimators as a business analyst. Training, 2 system type things, system support. 3 And I think in--in '01 I shifted to a transmission group which deals with the large 4 5 power lines. Did that for two years. 6 And after that I--I took the job with 7 the T&D Infrastructure Management Group or joint 8 use. It's a long word for joint use. 9 Q. And then January 5 of '04 you started 10 in your current job in Moab? 11 Α. Correct. 12 Okay. Backing up to 1975, you said you 13 started as a meter reader? 14 Α. Correct. 15 Q. And for how long, approximately, were 16 you a meter reader? 17 Α. Eighteen months. 18 Q. So sometime in '76, '77? 19 Yeah. Probably '76 I became a ground man. About a year later I became a tree trimmer. 20 Maybe a year later became an equipment operator, 21 22 something like that. 23 Let's just take these in sequence. 24 ground man, can you give me an overview of what a 25 ground man does?



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1	A. The line crews that work essentially on
2	city streets, in this case right downtown Salt
3	Lake. All the power is underground and in vaults
4	and you are just ground support.
5	(Discussion off the record.)
6	Q. And it was an underground construction
7	at that point?
8	A. No.
9	Q. Not construction?
10	A. It's underground construction there
11	existing, but they are just like buildings like
12	this. They are like rooms, they are huge rooms.
13	Q. The vaults you are describing?
14	A. Huge vaults with power in them.
15	Q. Okay. That was when you were a ground
16	man from '70for a year '77, '78?
17	A. Yeah, roughly a year.
18	Q. And then you became a tree trimmer?
19	A. Tree trimmer in Ogden.
20	Q. So you went from the vaults underground
21	to the bucket trucks aerially?
22	A. Correct, trimming trees.
23	Q. Trimming trees, keeping power lines and
24	the rights of way clear?
25	A. Exactly.



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1	Q. And how long did you do that for?
2	A. About a year or so.
3	Q. Okay. And then after tree trimming?
4	A. I went back to the line crews as an
5	equipment operator, wanted to run a bucket that
6	the line truck, drill the holes, set the poles,
7	you know, just the basics, just ground support
8	again.
9	Q. Ground support again but more in
10	aerial? Were you
11	A. Yes. This time it was aerial, yes.
12	Q. Okay. So you would
13	A. And underground butyeah, typically
14	new construction or rebuilds.
15	Q. So you would be operating those big
16	trucks with the big derricks that
17	A. Correct.
18	Qdrilled the holes and you would have
19	the pole on the trailer or on the back and you
20	stick them in, the hole replacement, that sort of
21	thing?
22	A. Yeah.
23	Q. And you were one of the operators for
24	that?
25	A. Correct. I was ground support.
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Did you actually go up and--were you a 1 0. lineman, did you actually transfer from 2 facilities--3 No. I was never a lineman. 4 Α. Never a lineman. 0. 5 Just ground support. 6 Α. So what year are we in now roughly when 7 0. vou're equipment operator? 8 That was '77 through probably '80, 9 Λ. something like that. Just under three years, you 10 know, give or take. 11 And then around in 1980, what did you--12 13 Α. I took an estimator's job, which design--designing the power lines, essentially, in 14 15 the Ogden area. And what--what did an estimate--you 16 said designing the power lines. Could you 17 describe to me in a little bit more detail what 18 you did as an estimator? 19 Well, at Utah Power if--if you live in 20 a home, you typically need somebody like an 21 estimator to build--to design the power to get 22 there, or if you build a new subdivision or a 23



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the estimator--that's the engineering piece of--of

commercial unit or anything, it typically takes

1 Utah Power. So I do the construction, the
2 design, order materials, assign man hours,
3 whatever is required.

- Q. And it was primarily for--primarily for the design of electric facilities to new homes and businesses?
 - A. New homes, yes.
 - Q. New homes?

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- A. And businesses. Or if--if it's an old power line, rebuilds, you know, the older areas, you typically have to upgrade them, so for upgrades also.
- Q. Now does the term estimator relate to the cost of doing something? Would you go out and say, we need to do these functions, and it's going to cost X, or would it be more like, we need to do these things, and somebody else figures out what it's going to cost?
- A. No, it was the cost, it was the whole deal. It was the design of the job.
- Q. And would you include in that if there were other people on the poles, street lights, traffic signals, Qwest, cable, would you--would you be looking at those facilities and factoring those costs into the estimates that you were



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preparing?

- A. I don't know if factoring in the costs would be as much as you take them into account. You would coordinate, you know, their transfers, things like that.
- Q. So if, for example, if a new subdivision were going in, and you had to put in higher capacity distribution circuits out there, you would need a--maybe a taller pole to do that--to accommodate that, you would go out, look at the pole, see who is on there, figure out the work that needs to be done for the electric facilities?
- A. Yeah. Typically. And--and if there was another--somebody else attached to it, you would deal with them, whether it was Qwest--in those days it was U.S. West and TCI. They were typically the two that were in the Ogden area.

Also Insight cable was in the Ogden or the Box Elder County area.

- Q. And this was--and you started as an estimator in about 1980, did you say?
 - A. Correct.
 - Q. How long were you an estimator for?
 - A. Roughly 11 years and then associated



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1	with itstill associated with it so
2	Q. Once an estimator always an estimator?
3	A. Well, roughly 11 years in one window,
4	came back for another year.
5	Q. And when youokay. Well we'll get
6	to
7	A. Changed jobs. Changed jobs again.
8	Q. So in 1991 you changed jobs and
9	A. Changedwe had ayeah, there was a
10	lot of reduction in forces, and I was kind of
11	forced into picking a different route, so I just
12	picked a different route.
13	Q. Different route meaning a different
14	career route?
15	A. Different career route, correct,
16	customer service route, yes.
17	Q. That's when you went into customer
18	service, was in 1991, and then you came back to
19	estimating in '96?
20	A. In '96. Yeah, '96.
21	Q. Okay.
22	A. In the Layton area.
23	Q. Back in the 1980 to 1991 time frame,
4	when you were estimator, chapter one, did you have
5	involvement with joint use issues other than just
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new circuit design or power upgrade? 1 The--at one point when cable TV first 2 Α. came through the area, the Davis County area. 3 When was that, roughly? Q. Early '80s. Α. 5 Early '80s. 6 0. Maybe '81, something like that. 7 early '80s anyway. 8 They came in and said, we want to be on 9 these poles. I would essentially go out and do 10 the walkout and see if they could physically 11 attach to those poles. 12 And how did--how did that normally 13 occur? And when I say normally occur, was this 14 the first time that cable started to build in the 15 area that you were familiar with? 16 Yes. It was at least in the Davis Α. 17 County area, yes, it was. 18 In Davis County, okay. Ο. 19 And you would be approached by whom for 20 permission to come on the poles? 21 Typically they had a person that was 22 their--I'll say coordinator. That wasn't their 23



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specific maps, and this item they called--that was

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title. But they would come to us with maps,

1	part of the contract in those days called an
2	Exhibit A. Said, "We want to attach to these
. 3	poles." We drive it out and
4	Q. Would there be a map attached to the
5	Exhibit A, for example?
6	A. There was. There was a map with it.
7	Q. And were these employees of the cable
8	company or were they contractors working for the
9	cable company or both?
10	A. II don't know for sure. I would
11	assume they are both. I know one person was an
12	employee for sure. I don't
13	Q. Who was that?
14	A. His name was Kim Thadell. Kim Thadell.
15	Yeah.
16	Q. Do you know whether any of those people
17	that you dealt with from the cable companies back
18	then are still around? And I'm talking
19	theprobably the early 1980's time frame, the
20	initial build period?
21	A. Not that I'm aware of. They have
22	changed companies several times.
23	Q. I've heard.
24	A. Yeah. This was the original TCI. Kim
25	Magness was another one, and he was a family



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member of the owner or something like that. 1 (Discussion off the record.) 2 And Kim Magness was one of the 3 Q. individuals that you dealt with? 4 He was. He was. We would meet in the 5 Α. 6 field, things like that. 7 And you would walk out the pole lines Q. 8 with--At times we did it together, yeah, or--9 10 or I would give them an estimate, give them a design, and then we would walk it out afterwards, 11 12 just to clarify. And then what--what would happen after 13 you had walked out, after you had walked out the 14 pole line after receiving the applications? 15 me rephrase. You look confused. 16 17 Α. Okay. They would come to you with an Exhibit 18 A with a map attached, and then you would walk 19 out the pole line with the cable representative. 20 Or do it by myself, correct. 21 Α. Or by yourself. 22 Q. 23 And what would you be looking for when you had the -- the map and the Exhibit A, when you 24



were doing the walkout?

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A. Well, basic clearance. Clearance from the ground, clearance from power lines, you know, the very obvious things. I don't know the clearance requirements from the '80s, but I always had a cheat sheet with me. I didn't have to know them. I carried—I carried all the tools I needed.

So I would measure, do all the measurements, and when I was done with that, do the design, you know, redesign it. We would essentially show them their portion of the cost, they would pay it, we would do the construction. We would move on to the next project.

- Q. And would you go--would you go and give them a piece of paper back that would say, "Okay to attach on this pole at 24 feet, okay to attach on this pole or. . ."
 - A. Not--not at heights, no.
 - O. No?

- A. No, we would just give them clearance to attach.
- Q. Were the poles--were the poles crowded back then, or was it pretty much just power and maybe some telephone up there?
 - A. It was--it was power and some



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telephone, but they were shorter poles, too. 2 How tall were they? Ο. 3 Α. Probably around 35-foot, which is 10-4 foot shorter than you see out there today. 5 Typically today you see 45s? Ο. 6 Α. Correct. 7 And did they have to do a lot of pole 0. 8 replacements in order to get up? 9 Α. There was--there was--I don't know if 10 there was a lot. There was pole replacements. I 11 wouldn't call it a lot, but there was pole 12 replacements, yes. 13 Q. And are--were there other individuals 14 at Utah Power at the time who did this kind of 15 work with cable companies to help them get on the 16 poles, or were you the only person in the state? 17 No, I was not the only person in the 18 state. I had a geographic area: northern Utah, 19 Davis County, Weber County, Box Elder County. 20 How many other--how many other 21 individuals would you estimate there were 22 performing essentially the same function, 23 assisting cable operators? 24 It's hard to estimate, but 25 realistically they would have to--somebody would



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1 have to be in place in every district to do the 2 same thing. 3 And there were approximately how many Q. 4 districts, do you know? No, I don't. 5 6 0. 20, 30? 7 Α. Maybe: Maybe 30. Maybe 20. 8 So would there be roughly 20 or 30 9 others who would have the same joint use function, I guess, that -- that you did in those other 10 11 districts? 12 I don't know that because I didn't have--I didn't deal with others. You know what I 13 mean? 14 15 You knew what was going on in your 16 district but not necessarily with--17 I dealt with Ogden and Ogden things. 18 Pretty much ended there. I didn't really have a 19 lot of contact throughout the company so. . . 20 0. You had enough to take care of in your 21 own district? 22 Α. Oh, yeah. 23 Right. Were there--when you got the--Q. 24 the application materials from--TCI, I believe you 25 said was the operator at that time was building



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through first. TCI and Insight. 2 Α. And Insight. Any others or just those 3 Q. 4 two? Not that I'm aware of. 5 Α. Okay. After you walked out and gave 6 approval for attachment, how did you do that? 7 How did you give approval? Did you write a 8 Did you make a phone call? Did you... 9 letter? You know, I don't know for sure. 10 Α. suspect it was a phone call. I don't know. 11 12 0. Right. It could--I don't know. 13 Α. It may have been--well, could it have 14 been different approvals for different projects or 15 different parts of projects? 16 You know, not necessarily. I don't--I 17 don't--I don't know how would we--we would approve 18 those, though. It may have went through the 19 managers at the time. I don't think--as it 20 wasn't my job in those days to actually give 21 approval. I was the -- I had a function. 22 Did you countersign the Exhibit A or 23 put additional instructions on that? 24



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1	Q. That wasn't really your job?
2	A. No.
3	Q. But you would have the Exhibit A, and
4	you'd have your cheat sheet, right?
5	A. The map, do you mean?
6	Q. No, you said you had a cheat sheet
7	which would be NESC standards, I think you
8	testified.
9	A. Yeah.
10	Q. So you would have that, and then you
11	would have the map where you could walk the route
12	along
13	A. Correct.
14	Qcorrect?
15	After you walked the route out and
16	estimated what needed to be done, thenthen what
17	happened toin the next step?
18	A. In my process?
19	Q. Yes.
20	A. I would essentially turn it over to
21	construction to be done pretty muchpretty much
22	ended my process, my portion of it. There was
23	always a construction copy in the packet that you
24	would make up actual packets with material lists.
25	You order materials, you draw maps, whatever it



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1 took, make a construction packet to go to the
2 line crews and make an approval packet to go to
3 managers.

- Q. Would this go to construction if there were no make-ready to be done?
 - A. No.

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- Q. Only if it were make-ready it would go to construction?
 - A. Yeah. Yeah.
- Q. But were there a lot of--did most projects require make-ready, that you recall, or was it mixed?
- A. It was a mix. It was a mix. The poles weren't extremely crowded in those days, you know, it was, as you mentioned initially, there wasn't a lot of players on the poles, or not a lot of additional, you know, people attempting to use the poles.
 - Q. But they were shorter?
- A. And they were shorter. The--the '50s construction, it was shorter. A lot of times you had older poles, 60s 70s.
- Q. So only if there was electric makeready to be done, say a transformer needed to be moved up or something, only then would



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construction get a packet, correct? 1 2 Yes. 3 0. But if there was no make-ready to be 4 done then what -- what happened then? 5 They didn't--they didn't come through 6 me. What they would do, in those days, is they 7 would walk it out initially. 8 0. They being the cable company, Kim 9 Magness? They would give their own assessment. 10 Α. 11 ο. Okay. 12 And I'd essentially have something that they looked at and said, "We think this needs to 13 be done," and I would essentially validate it or--14 15 or... 16 Ο. Contradict it? 17 Α. Correct. So typically it was--it was-that was part of their--that was part of their 18 map, coming to me. They walked it out initially. 19 And then you would take--then you would 20 21 take the map, and if there was no make-ready to 22 be done, would you say, Yeah, right, no make-ready 23 to be done, go ahead and attach? 24 Well, no. See, if there was no make-25 ready, again, they typically didn't come to me.



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1	It wasit was only if there was something that
2	needed to be done, some kind of construction.
3	They would look at it initially and say, Yeah,
4	this needs to be done, and then I'd validate
5	that.
6	Q. Okay. So if there was nothing that
7	needed to be done, if the poles were completely
8	clear, what was the process in that case?
9	A. I don't know because I wouldn't see
10	those.
11	Q. Did anybody see those at PacifiCorp? I
12	mean Utah Power, at the time? Sorry.
13	A. Well, I can assume that somebody saw
14	those.
15	Q. Right?
16	A. I didn'tI didn't see those.
17	Q. But you would have only come into the
18	process if there were a real
19	A. I came in the process because I was
20	part of the construction. Part of the
21	construction process is validating that
22	information.
23	(Discussion off the record.)
24	Q. Just so that I understand, Mr. Cordova,
25	you would only get involved if there was actually



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1 estimation to be done, make-ready that needed to be performed, and to figure out what was involved 2 3 and what the costs of that would be. Α. Correct. Correct. Do you--well, let's skip over your work 5 6 as a CSR for the moment and go to your time as an 7 estimator back in--I believe you said 1996 to 8 1997? 9 Α. In Layton again. 10 Q. In Layton. 11 Was that roughly the same kind of responsibilities and functions that you had in 12 13 your first go round as a estimator? 14 Yeah. They were roughly the same, with 15 the exception that there wasn't a lot of cable TV 16 being rebuilt in those days, so there was no 17 jobs. I don't remember any cable TV jobs. that had passed in the early '80s. 18 19 So you didn't have much in the way of 20 permit applications coming in during that period? 21 Α. None. 22 Ο. None that you can remember. None. 23 Α. None. 24 And this was in Ogden, you said? Q. 25



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It was initially in Ogden, and then in

'96 was in Layton.

- Q. I want to skip ahead to January of 2003 and the year that you were in T&D Infrastructure Management. Was it where you were a manager or supervisor?
 - A. Supervisor.
 - Q. Supervisor.

I was wondering if you could walk through the application process from initial application to--make that through post inspection. And let's use Comcast as an example because, I think, Comcast during 2003 was probably about the most active company in that--in that regard.

A. The process typically didn't come through me, as a supervisor. It went through the coordinator in Portland. They would--a lot of times they would come back 'cause we wouldn't go out there to validate it.

We also had field people, four field employees that would validate that information.

But it went from Comcast to the service coordinator in Portland to the field people.

- Q. And what was your role in that first chain you described?
 - A. I was their immediate supervisor.



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1	Q. The immediate supervisor of the
2	A. Of both the coordinator in Portland and
. 3	the field people here in Salt Lake, Salt Lake
4	area.
5	Q. Who was the coordinator in Portland?
6	A. There was Roz Holstrom.
7	Q. And she was the only one?
8	A. She was.
9	Q. And who were the
10	A. Well, she was the only one for this
11	area. At times there were others supporting and
12	helping. She was the only one assigned to this.
13	She workedshe worked immediately for me. At a
14	later date she shifted to work for a supervisor
15	in Portland.
16	Q. Who was that supervisor?
17	A. Laura Raypush.
18	Q. And what's Laura Raypush's
19	responsibilities, functions?
20	A. I don't know all of them, to be honest,
21	but she'sshe is the immediate supervisor for
22	thethe ASCs. What does A stand for? ASCs.
23	It's service coordinators.
24	Q. I think
25	A. I am not exactly what A means.



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1	Q. I thinkI think we have it from
2	someone else's deposition, so we can look it up.
3	I think it's administrative support coordinator or
4	something like that.
5	A. Close enough. It is administrative.
6	Q. Okay.
7	A. Service coordinator, yes.
8	Q. We could probably think of some other
9	acronyms, too, but I think that's good for now.
10	How many inspectors, at the time, did
11	you say were here in Saltin the Salt Lake area?
12	A. Well, essentially three in the valley;
13	one for metro, one for Jordan Valley, which is
14	further south, about a hundred south, and then
15	there was one in American Fork. But the work was
16	typically in this area, and so I kept all three
17	of them in this area.
18	There is also one additional one inin
19	Cedar City, but, again, the work being here, most
20	of his time was spent here.
21	Q. And who were thosethose four
22	individuals who were inspectors?
23	A. Dianne Graham, Dianne Loumis, Ken Bell,
24	and KevinKevin, Kevin. I am missing his last



name. Out of Cedar City.

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1	Q. Kevin was from Cedar City?
2	A. It will come to me.
3	Q. We can come back to that. Maybe you
4	will remember.
5	So Comcast would file a permit
6	application with Roz Holstrom in Portland,
7	correct?
8	A. Correct.
9	Q. Then what would Roz do with it? And I
10	am interested in the smallthe smaller steps in-
11	between, to the extent you know. So Roz would
12	get it from someone at Comcast. Then what would
13	Roz do with it?
14	A. Well, II can't tell you all her small
15	steps, not knowing her job, but essentially it
16	would come back to the field specialists, and they
17	would go out and do an inspection, the ones that
18	worked for me.
19	(Discussion off the record.)
20	Q. My question was, she would send it to
21	the field specialists?
22	A. Correct.
23	Q. And the field specialists were the four
24	individuals that you just named a moment ago?
25	A. Correct.



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1	Q. And is the work that these field
2	specialists did from the application materials
3	that Roz gave to them roughly comparable to the
4	work you did as an estimator in your own career?
5	A. No, because there was reallythey
6	they don't have construction responsibilities.
7	They don't have the authority to rebuild. They
8	pass that on to estimators who still exist today.
9	And if there was some construction that needed to
10	be done, that was forwarded on to them.
11	Q. So these four individuals were
12	inspectors?
13	A. Correct.
14	Q. And their function was what?
15	A. Is to process the applications coming
16	from Comcast. Seeing if they could or could not
17	attach to the poles.
18	Q. And the material that they received
19	from Comcast through Roz, correct?
20	A. (Witness nods head.)
21	Q. Was there engineering data on there
22	that needed to be verified?
23	A. Typically that wasthat was askedwe
24	asked for that continually. Rarely got it.



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Typically it was a simple sheet with not much

engineering data behind it.

You really didn't know the -- the cable that they attempted to use, you really didn't know how tight they were attempting to pull it in, which is a factor.

You didn't know a lot of stuff. Although they kept saying they had the information available, we rarely got it. We rarely received that type of information.

- Q. So would you have to go out and reengineer the pole yourself, for example?
- A. These three aren't--these four aren't capable of re-engineering the poles so--so, no, we did not. They--it wasn't--they are not capable.
- Q. But you--you needed that information in order to be able to approve an attachment request?
- A. Not every single attachment request, but, yes--you need the information. It's part of--part of the process.

You really need to--if there's a--for example, a structure that--that is old, and they may need specifics on that, they may need to run a calculation on that, then you would need that information, typically on a transmission-type structure, the larger ones.



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- Q. When you say--you said calculation? You mean like a load calculation?
 - A. Load study.
- Q. Had--had you done load studies on poles?
- A. We did not. We did not. We would have to send it to somebody else. We would have to send it to the engineering group to get that done.
- Q. And did the engineering group do load studies?
- A. Not a lot, because we rarely got the data that we needed. Typically when we'd ask for that data, they would pick a different route, so I don't remember any being done because they would change their mind and just pick a different route.
- Q. So what could happen is you would get the material, inspector would go out and say, Sheesh, this pole looks pretty loaded up. I think we are going to need to do a load study before we can process this application, and then Comcast would come back and say, Oh, never mind, we'll do another route, is that correct?
- A. Well, Comcast really didn't come back and say, never mind, we'll do another route, they



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Deposition of John Cardova 05/21/04 just went away. 1 It was just one of those pending 2 things that stayed out there. 3 That they never followed up on? 4 Α. They are still out there pending, I am 5 sure. 6 Was the process the same for 7 overlashing to an existing attachment as for a brand new attachment? 8 Α. 9 Yes. 10 And it would be inspected in--in the field to see if it could accommodate the 11 additional fiber to be overlashed? 12 13 Α. Yeah, the measurements. They are 14 checking for clearances also--or checking for 15 clearance from power, clearance from the ground, you know, just the basics. NESC violations or 16 17 NESC potential violations. 18 And if there were violations on the 19 pole, let's say there was not sufficient clearance 20 between an existing--and we are talking about an

- overlashing now--if there were not sufficient clearance between the existing cable attachment and, say, a power transformer, what would happen in that case?
 - The -- the inspectors would notify that, Α.



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they would mark that on the sheet. That would be 1 returned to Roz, and Roz would notify them. 2 Roz would notify whom? 3 0. 4 Α. The cable company. Sorry. And would there be an estimate of what 5 Q. the cost to make the correction would be? 6 No, not with that. 7 Α. Not with that? 8 Ο. Because, again, the inspectors don't 9 Α. have the ability to do that. 10 Okay. So Roz--inspector would say, 11 Q. Need to move transformer. That would go to Roz, 12 and then Roz would send that back to Comcast? 13 14 Α. And she would ask them, Do you want an estimate? and wait for them to reply back. 15 And then Comcast would say yes, or in 16 Q. 17 some cases--18 In some cases they said yes. Typically you didn't hear another word. 19 Let's take the case of when they said 20 yes, rare as it may be. What happened then? 21 It would--I don't know if Roz would 22 send it to the estimator. The estimator got it 23 one way or another. 24



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The estimator who is with the

construction department?

A. With--correct, with Utah Power. They do the design, give them a price quote, This is what it will cost, and get that to the cable companies. I'm not sure how it would get to the cable companies because that wasn't--I didn't deal with that.

And then they would wait for them to pay the check, I guess.

- Q. They are required to pay in advance of the work being performed?
- A. There are construction practices out there. The Public Service Commission has a whole series of requirements, and—and one of the line extension requirements—and this would be one of them, not necessarily line extension but just construction practices. It would at least be required to pay a portion of it, if not all of it.
- \mathbb{Q} . So some form of advanced payment was required before--
- A. And that's no different than with any other customer. If--no different than with you, if you were building a home.
 - Q. If--if I needed a line extension to



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1	my
2	A. Correct.
3	Qranch?
4	A. Correct.
5	Q. I wish I had a ranch.
6	A. Yeah, me too.
7	Q. You wish I had ranch, or you wish you
8	had a ranch?
9	A. I wish you had a ranch.
10	Q. Then I probably wouldn't be here. Then
11	we wouldn't have any fun.
12	So the estimator would estimate the
13	costs of electric make-ready and somehow that
14	would get back to Comcast, in that specific case.
15	A. Somehow, correct.
16	Q. But you are not exactly sure
17	A. I wasn't part of that process.
18	Q. So you don't know if it went back to
19	Roz, and then Roz sent it back to Comcast, or it
20	went directly from the estimator to Comcast.
21	A. I don't know the exact process.
22	Q. Okay. What about when the inspector
23	goes out, looks at the pole, and says, Qwest
24	needs to move down. Would that ever happen?
25	A. Yes.



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1	Q. What would happen in that situation, if
2	the inspector makes that notation, Qwest needs to
3	move down?
4	A. It goes back to Roz again. The
5	inspector sends it back to Roz. Roz notifies the
6	phone company through atypically a joint pole
7	notice orI think through a notice. One way or
8	another she notified them. And you'd have to
9	wait until they actually did their work.
10	Q. Mr. Cordova, I have a document that we
11	marked this morning as Clifton Exhibit 1.
12	Genevieve, do we have extra copies of
13	that?
14	Would you mind, Counsel, sharing that
15	one?
16	And I just want to ask you a few
17	questions about this document. It carries a
18	title, Joint Pole Notice, at the top, and it'sin
19	the lower, right-hand corner it has a number that
20	says ccc, a bunch of zeros, and a one. Do you
21	see that?
22	A. I do.
23	Q. Is this a PacifiCorp form?
24	A. I don't know. I wouldI don't know.
25	Q. Did you everhave you ever seen a form

1	like this:
2	A. Yes, I have.
3	Q. Have you seen a lot of forms like this?
4	A. Yes, throughthroughyeah.
5	Q. Through working with Roz and the
6	inspectors?
7	A. Exactly, through the inspectors,
8	through Roz, exactly. It would come from the
9	cable companies.
10	Q. You'll see down about two-thirds of the
11	way on the page, it says "foreign utility will."
12	What's a "foreign utility" refer to there?
13	A. Anyany other company other than Utah
14	Power attaching to the pole.
15	Q. Do you think it would be a reasonable
16	conclusion that if this says "foreign utility"
17	that this would be a PacifiCorp form?
18	A. Well, you are asking me to assume
19	there. I don'tI don't know where the form came
20	from. I don't know the origination.
21	Q. Okay.
22	A. ItI didn't generate it.
23	Q. Fair enough. Fair enough.
24	I think we are finished with thatthat
25	document. In the time that you were with T&D



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Infrastructure Management from--during the year of 2 2003, was the pole application process different from what it was previously, say, in 2002 or 1982, to the best of your knowledge?

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It would be different for the obvious Α. reason. The department didn't exist before then. It wasn't an organized department within PacifiCorp before -- I don't know the exact year, but I was the first supervisor of this--this geographic territory, so it was a new position.

So it would--assuming it was a brand new job, it would have to be a--a new process to a certain point. I don't know. But I wasn't a part of it, also, so I can't really tell you historically what the process was.

Do you know what I mean?

Ο. I understand your answer, yes.

Were--was part of the reason that T&D Infrastructure was created was to bring more processes into place to deal with joint use?

I--I don't know that--all the reasons Α. because, again, I wasn't part of that. probably the last piece of the whole group to be added, and I wasn't-others could give you a better answer than--than I could.



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- Q. Well, in the course of the--in the course of your working on the processes for 2003, did you ever have discussions with Corey or perhaps other--other people in T&D Infrastructure Management about the way things were done previously in Utah on pole attachments?
- A. And are you asking about the--the attachment process?
 - Q. Yes.

A. I--there were gaps. It was an incomplete process. I know there are locations where they are installed with no permission whatsoever. The linemen would say that, in-Have they been here? you know, or They installed new construction, so there was--there was no checks, there was no checks and balance in place.

PacifiCorp changed pretty dramatically from the early '90s to--you know, ten years after that, a lot of personnel left. There were a lot of--there were a lot of--a whole lot of changes, and so I don't--I don't know that--that anybody was really concentrating on the attachments as they should have been.

- Q. During this--from 1990 to 2000?
- A. Yeah, or so, yeah.



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1	Q. When didwhen did Utahwhen did Utah
2	Power get acquired by PacifiCorp or merge
3	A. I believe it was '89. '89ish, '89,
4	'90.
5	Q. So you were here for the transition, so
6	you saw a lot of changes, right?
7	A. Correct.
8	Q. Did you really get the sense that there
9	was a newa new sheriff in town as of 1989,
10	1990, when PacifiCorp took over Utah Power, in
11	terms of implementing changes and restructuring?
12	And I am talking about one the 1990, 2000 time
13	period.
14	A. There was restructuring. There was a
15	lot of streamlining, a lot of jobs were
16	consolidated, a lot of jobs were displaced and
17	actually
18	Q. A lot of layoffs?
19	A. There were layoffs, yeah. Exactly.
20	Q. And this was the time period where you
21	transitioned from an estimator to a customer
22	service person?
23	A. Correct.
24	Q. So part ofat least, as it affected
25	you, youyou had somesome options, and the most



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attractive option, I take it, was going and working on the customer service side of things, at least for a period.

A. Correct. I was displaced, and I shifted into customer service.

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- Q. Did a similar restructuring, that you just described that happened in the 1990s, occur when Scottish Power took over PacifiCorp?
- A. Somewhat, but at the corporate level, mostly. They shifted—they consolidated offices.

 A lot of functions that were handled in Salt Lake were shifted to Portland. Corporate functions essentially.
- Q. Did you have--once Scottish Power took over, did you have more people working in joint use in Utah or T&D Infrastructure Management, I quess, than had been there previously?
- A. Well, again, the department was newly formed.
 - Q. That's right.
- A. And I was the new--I was the only and the first supervisor for this area. And that was in January of 2003.
- Q. You mentioned a few moments ago that there were gaps, I think, in the way of doing--of



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doing things and dealing with joint use. 2 you be--be more specific in terms of what you 3 mean by gaps? 4

- Well, I don't think there was anybody Α. specifically assigned to--to--to take care of that type thing. I don't think there was anybody specifically assigned--assigned to--to watch out for third party attachees on the pole, so they typically installed it where they wanted.
- Ο. If there was nobody assigned to joint use and--how would a cable company know how to apply for a pole?
- Let me clarify it. There was--there Α. was nobody assigned to it specifically locally. There was--there was a joint use department in Portland. I am sure they always had some kind of process there, but I wasn't a part of it.
 - Q. Okay.

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- Nor did I -- nor did I know the process, nor did I deal with him. I didn't have reason There was something in place, but--but I wasn't a part of it. So--you know, I just wasn't a part of it so. . .
 - I understand. Are you aware that there is a \$250



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1	penalty that PacifiCorp applies to undocumented
2	foreign attachments?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. Were you involved in developing that
5	penalty at all?
6	A. No.
7	Q. Do you know who was?
8	A. No.
9	Q. Do you know how it was derived?
10	A. I don't. I really don't.
11	Q. You just know it's there?
12	A. I know it's there.
13	Q. Do you know when it was derived?
14	A. I don't. No, I don't.
15	Kevin Rowley. That's his last name.
16	Rowley.
17	Q. Excellent. Can you spell that?
18	A. I think it's r-o-w-l-e-y.
19	Q. That was why I was waiting.
20	A. You did well.
21	Q. Ever since the beginning of the case, I
22	wanted that guy's name.
23	A. Rowley.
24	Q. To your knowledge, Mr. Cordova, has
25	there been aa change in procedures for permit



1	applications in calendar 2004? I know that you
2	started, you know, January 5, in your new job,
3	but do you know whether there have been changes
4	in the procedures or speed with which applications
5	are being processed by PacifiCorp?
6	A. No.
7	Q. You haven't heard of any talk about
8	that?
9	A. No. II've took a new job. My hands
10	are full. I do make small talk with the guys,
11	but we are friends.
12	Q. Right.
13	A. But it ends there, you know? We don't
14	talk shop a lot.
15	Q. When you say the guys, you mean the
16	guys in other departments at Utah Power or the
17	Comcast guys?
18	A. Joe, for example.
19	Q. Joe?
20	A. Joe Clifton. He was just in here.
21	Occasionally call, Hey, how you doing, small
22	talk. Yeah. Butbut, no, we don't bore
23	ourselves with the process development in those
24	conversations.
25	Q. I thought that's all you talked about.



- Q. Do you know whether the \$250 charge that we had spoken about recently--whether they are assessed as part of the permit or licensing process as maybe another component like make-ready or like inspection?
- A. It is not. It's--it's a--I don't know.
 A penalty, I guess, for a lack of a better word.
- Q. That is charged through some other process?
 - A. Correct.
- Q. You seem to have a particularly long and distinguished history with Utah Power all the way through the changes. Is there anybody else in PacifiCorp, who works in the areas of joint use or T&D Infrastructure Management, who has been around as long as you have?
- A. I don't know. You know, it--my evolution is just what we can do here. It's an opportunity that we do have available to us here at Utah Power so--I don't know.
- Q. But do you know--do you know everybody who works in T&D Infrastructure in Utah today?
- A. Yes, because it's a small group. It's still just a five-person department.



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1	Q. So nobody has been here since 1975?
2	A. Oh, no.
, 3	Q. And
4	A. Well, you lost me there.
5	Q. TheI intended it to be a simple
6	question.
7	A. Okay.
8	Q. You have been with Utah Power since
9	1975. Has anybody else who works in this area of
10	joint use been there as long?
11	A. I don't think so.
12	Q. During the course of 2003, do you
13	recall having any meetings withwith Comcast
14	about the permit application process?
15	A. Yes. Wewe had meetings trying to
16	trying to make it easier for all. II had a lot
17	of meetings with Kaei Majors trying to make the
18	whole process better. I met with Marty Pollock.
19	I met with Cheryl Peterson. But Kaei was their
20	director. Kaei was the director of the group.
21	Q. Kaei was the director?
22	A. Yeah. So we had a lot of meetings. We
23	had a lot of respectmutual respect, and 1 made
24	an effort toto make things smoother for both
25	sides.



- Q. Did it work?
- A. Some. I mean, it worked to a certain point. It--did everything work? I don't think so. I don't know.
- Q. Was--was there a big change from--from the way that Kaei Majors and the others who worked for Comcast apply for poles from the way that it was previously done? Did they ever indicate to you, Well, this is different than the way we did it before, or anything like that?
 - A. I don't know.
 - Q. You don't remember?
- A. No, I don't know for sure. Always, when you're in a round table, there is always discussion but nothing specific.
- Q. Nothing specific about changes in process?
- A. Change--or whatever, you know, nothing specific. I know that at times they said, Well, we were allowed to do this in the past, but it was just a statement because you'd say, By whom? and there was never an answer, so it was just a statement. So I don't know if anything really changed.
 - Q. How many meetings do you think you had



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1 with the Comcast joint use types, for lack of a 2 better term, during 2003 when you were there? 3 Oh, a dozen or so. Some was 4 introductory meetings, you know, those type of things. Some was transferring, like, gave them 5 6 maps, trying to help them make their job easier, help them, you know, with the process, things like 7 8 that. So there were a lot of visits, you know, a 9 dozen, probably, you know, maybe 18. 10 Ο. So it was--you didn't have a--well, did 11 you have a monthly progress meeting? 12 Α. No. 13 It was just if it seemed like there was 14 enough stuff that you needed to talk about that 15 you'd get together and have a meeting to sort 16 through it? 17 Kaei would call me occasionally, he 18 would say, Hey, can we talk about this? I would 19 call him occasionally, Kaei, can we talk about 20 this? 21 And would you be in your office or 22 Comcast's office? 23 Α. I typically went down to his office. 24 Q. Which--at Kaei's office? 25 Α. Yes.



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Okay. And you would discuss how to 0. make things easier, generally speaking, or did you 2 deal with specific questions on specific runs and 3 projects or both? 4 Both. Sometimes it would be specifics 5 Α. 6 about power supplies. Sometimes it would be 7 specifics about geographic areas. And were you responsible for--for power 8 Q. 9 supply application and activation? They went through the same inspection 10 Α. 11 They went through the specialists. The specialists, Roz? 12 Q. No. 13 Α. 14 No? 0. The specialists being the field 15 Α. inspectors. Sorry. 16 They are the specialists? 17 Ο. 18 Α. Yeah. 19 I am having trouble with all my--I probably shouldn't have said 20 specialist. They are the field inspectors. 21 and typically, on the power supplies they were 22 critical to Kaei. They were very critical, and 23



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I made it a point to shift those people.

so I--I dropped work, okay, to shift over and do

1	continually to do that, just as a way of
2	cooperating to try and meet his schedule.
3	Q. The power supply activation schedule?
4	A. Correct.
5	Q. And is that what you hadwere most of
6	the meetings about power supply activation or
7	A. The majority, I would say yes, because
8	they were typically where the most confusion was.
9	Q. Did you ever meet with Rodney Bell or
10	Tim
11	A. I did. Early on I met with both Rodney
12	Bell and
13	Q. Tim?
14	A. What's Tim's last name? Yes.
15	Q. I'll think of it. Tim Jackson?
16	A. Tim Jackson. Tim typically had the
17	northern part of Saltor the area, so he was
18	north of north Salt Lake. Rodney had this area.
19	So initially the first people I dealt with was
20	Rodney and Tim.
21	Q. And what did you talk to those guys
22	about? Were they interested in power supplies, or
23	was there other stuff?
24	A. No. No. They had-they had different
25	jobs. I metI met RodneyI think there was



clearance issues and just tried to get it taken care of. Typically you need somebody—typically you need somebody to address an immediate need, and I think that's how I initially met Rodney. He was always cooperative.

Q. He is.

Did you ever meet with Gary Goldstein?

A. Yes. We--we met--actually, I met Gary the same day as I met Kaei, when I went over there and introduced myself. We kind of got together as a group. I think I called--I don't know who I made the initial call to; might have been Rodney, and I think he coordinated and rounded everybody up.

Gary was there. Met with Gary on a few different occasions. And I actually gave Gary some maps to help them do the process better, our key maps, our geographic key maps, showing him how we numbered our poles, facility point numbers.

- Q. Was that the first time you met Gary, was in 2003?
 - A. They were all in 2003.
- Q. Right. But you never knew them from before?
 - A. No, I didn't know any of them before.



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1	Q. Okay. Mr. Cordova, I think that what
2	I'd like to do, if it's okay with you, is take a
3	brief break, and I'm just going toto confer with
4	counsel for a few minutes, maybe five, ten
5	minutes, and then we'll come back and finish up.
6	I don't think we probably have a whole heck of a
7	lot more.
8	A. Okay.
9	Q. Unless you want to keep going all
10	afternoon.
11	A. Well, this is pretty fun but
12	Q. Yeah, I know, I feel the same way. I
13	know Jim felt the same way last week, too.
14	(Recess taken.)
15	Mr. Cordova, we have no further
16	questions. Counsel, I don't know if you have any
17	clarifications
18	MR. SACKETT: I have no clarification
19	questions.
20	MR. THOMAS: Then thank you for your
21	time today.
22	THE WITNESS: Okay, thank you.
23	(Deposition concluded at 2:30 p.m.)
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