

Yvonne R. Hogle Assistant General Counsel 1407 West North Temple, Suite 320 Salt Lake City, UT 84116 801.220.4050 801.220.3299 Fax

November 13, 2019

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Public Service Commission of Utah Heber M. Wells Building, Fourth Floor 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Attn: Gary Widerburg Commission Administrator

RE: Docket No. 19-035-02 - PacifiCorp's 2019 Integrated Resource Plan

Dear Mr. Widerburg:

The Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") has established a March 31 filing date for PacifiCorp to file biennial Integrated Resource Plans, ("IRPs").¹ On July 29, 2019, the Commission authorized PacifiCorp's postponement of the filing of the 2019 IRP until October 18, 2019. PacifiCorp has committed to file its IRP Updates within one year of filing its IRP.² For a number of reasons, PacifiCorp respectfully provides notice that it does not plan to file a 2019 IRP Update so that it can focus its efforts on the acknowledgement and acceptance of the 2019 IRP and the preparation for the 2021 IRP.

PacifiCorp does not anticipate receiving acknowledgement orders of the 2019 IRP from all of its state commissions before March 31, 2020, when it would typically file the 2019 IRP Update. PacifiCorp will therefore be unable to incorporate requests by state commissions to include or provide requested information or in its IRP Update. Also, beginning around June 2020, PacifiCorp will be preparing for the 2021 IRP with pre-IRP studies, processes, and preparations for the public-input process in order to file the 2021 IRP at the end of March 2021.

In addition, PacifiCorp plans to evaluate and, if possible, implement new and improved modeling software. During the 2019 IRP cycle, PacifiCorp experienced delays due to performance issues with its existing modeling software, despite also improving and expanding upon its modeling capabilities. The continuous IRP modeling cycle makes it very difficult to conduct an evaluation

¹ See, In the Matter of the Acknowledgement of PacifiCorp's Integrated Resource Plan, Report and Order at 57, issued April 1, 2010, Docket No. 09-2035-01

² In the Matter of the PacifiCorp Integrated Resource Plan 2004, Report and Order at 13, issued July 21, 2005, Docket No. 05-2035-01.

and implementation of software updates. Not filing the 2019 IRP Update will provide PacifiCorp a small window to pursue this much needed effort.

Please feel free to direct any inquiries regarding this matter to Shay LaBray, Director Resource Planning, at (503) 813-6176 or to Jana Saba, Utah Regulatory Affairs Manager at (801) 220-2823.

Sincerely, prine

Yvonne R. Hogle Assistant General Counsel

cc: Service List

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. 19-035-02

I hereby certify that on November 13, 2019, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail to the following:

Utah Office of Consumer Services

Cheryl Murray	cmurray@utah.gov
Division of Public Utilities	
Madison Galt <u>dpudatarequest@utah.gov</u> <u>Assistant Attorney General</u>	mgalt@utah.gov
Patricia Schmid	pschmid@agutah.gov
Justin Jetter	jjetter@agutah.gov
Robert Moore	rmoore@agutah.gov
Steven Snarr	stevensnarr@agutah.gov
<u>Rocky Mountain Power</u>	
Data Request Response Center	datarequest@pacificorp.com
Jana Saba	jana.saba@pacificorp.com utahdockets@pacificorp.com
Yvonne Hogle	yvonne.hogle@pacificorp.com

Utah Association of Energy

<u>Users</u> Gary A. Dodge Phillip J. Russell

gdodge@hjdlaw.com prussell@hjdlaw.com

Mannel

Mary Penfield Adviser, Regulatory Operations