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Gentlemen:

I am interested in the proposed merger of Utah Power & Light Co. with PacifiCorp. This is to voice my support for the approval of the action. I feel that the benefits of such a merger will derive to all of the users of electric power in the region served by Utah Power & Light Co.

Among the benefits as I understand them are these listed below:

1. Increased efficiency and a possible future reduction in the cost of electric power.
2. More stability in the rate structure.
3. The addition of newer power sources due to the more modern generating plants in the PacifiCorp operation. This should preclude the construction of new plants for a number of years to say the least.
4. Benefits in the terms of stability and better use of the existing power sources and possible lower costs of operation deriving in part to the stockholders.
5. UP&L would retain its corporate identity.

There should be other benefits as well, the depth of the PacifiCorp organization should augment the capabilities of the UP&L group. We urge the approval of this merger and urge prompt action in this direction.

Yours truly


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