

MEMORANDUM

To: Parties in Docket No. 98-2035-04

From: The Public Service Commission

Date: July 29, 1999

Re: Procedure for hearings beginning Monday, August 2, 1999

As you know, Scottish Power, Pacificorp, the Division, and the Committee submitted a stipulation to the Commission July 28, 1999 that settles all of their respective issues in this case. We will allow those four parties to present witnesses on Monday morning, August 2nd to support the stipulation. The Commission will expect the witnesses to explain how the stipulation specifically addresses both the costs and the risks of the merger they raise in their pre-filed testimony. In addition, they will be subject to cross examination by the other parties in the case and to questions by the Commission.

Parties who have not joined the stipulation will be able to present their testimony just as they would were there no stipulation. In addition, we will expect the non-stipulating parties to testify on the stipulation if they believe it fails to meet the net positive benefit/public interest standards or falls short of their proposed merger conditions.

Finally, please send a representative familiar with your client's pre-filed testimony to the Commission hearing room at 8:00 a.m. on Monday to pre-mark the exhibits. That will help considerably in expediting the proceeding.