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Julie P. Orchard  
Commission Secretary  
Public Service Commission of Utah  
Heber M. Wells Building  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84145

**Re: Notice of Sole Source Contract with ESCO Corporation**

Commissioners:

In accordance with the Company's procurement policy, we hereby notify you that PacifiCorp has entered into a sole source contract with ESCO Corporation to provide one 2010 ESCO Dragline Bucket to be used at the Bridger mine at a cost of \$729,023. Delivery of the dragline bucket is anticipated on or before April 21, 2010.

Over the history of the Bridger mine several dragline buckets have been tried and ESCO buckets have proven to be superior to other equipment and supplier alternatives. Service from ESSO has always been excellent and they have a well established parts inventory for this equipment. Because of the quality of the equipment and the service provided by the supplies, operation of the dragline at the Bridger mine is planned around the ESCO 2010 bucket.

This sole source procurement contract was authorized by Cindy Crane, Vice President, Interwest Mining and Fuels.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dave Taylor at 801-220-2923.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey K. Larsen  
Vice President, Regulation

cc: Division of Public Utilities  
Committee of Consumer Services