

May 21, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Gary Widerburg Commission Administrator Public Service Commission of Utah Heber M. Wells Building 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Re: Notice of Non-Competitive Procurement with SAE Towers, LTD.

Commissioners:

In accordance with PacifiCorp's Procurement Policy, the Company must report to the Commission purchases of goods or services exceeding \$1,000,000 that are not competitively bid. This letter hereby serves as notice that, on June 16, 2017, PacifiCorp entered into a non-competitively bid contract with SAE Towers, LTD that exceeds \$1,000,000. The contract is for the purchase of six additional steel towers for the Gateway Project and has a value of \$2,129,717.

Pursuant to PacifiCorp's Procurement Policy, a supplier may be awarded a contract on a non-competitive basis under certain circumstances, such as when competitive bidding is impossible or impractical, or when otherwise a non-competitive procurement has been demonstrated to be in the best interest of the Company. The contract entered into by PacifiCorp with SAE Towers, LTD was justified as it is in the best interest of the Company based on the following: SAE Towers, LTD was awarded a contract by PacifiCorp in 2009 to design, detail and test a family of five single-circuit and five double-circuit, 500 kilovolt lattice steel towers as part of PacifiCorp's Gateway Program. The new contract is for six additional 500 kilovolt single circuit towers to augment the original tower family. As the initial designers of the single-circuit 500 kilovolt lattice steel tower, SAE Towers is best equipped to optimize the existing tower designs required for the Aeolus to Bridger/Anticline transmission project by capitalizing on the firm's existing project knowledge. Additionally, the purchase of the additional tower design from SAE Towers creates cost savings opportunities based on design criteria changes as the new towers will be lighter and cost less to install.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jana Saba at (801) 220-2823.

Sincerely,

Joelle Steward

Vice President, Regulation

cc: Division of Public Utilities
Office of Consumer Services

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that on May 21, 2018, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail to the following:

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