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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 Utah State University

Dear Commissioners:

In accordance with PacifiCorp's ("the Company") Procurement Policy, the Company must report to the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") purchases of goods or services exceeding \$1,000,000 that are not competitively bid. This letter hereby serves as notice that PacifiCorp has entered a non-competitively bid contract with Utah State University. ("USU") that exceeds \$1,000,000. The contract is for evapotranspiration and soils consulting services for the Company's Hunter and Huntington Research farm ("Research Farm"). The total contract value is a maximum of \$ [REDACTED] over a term of [REDACTED].

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 and its customers.

The Huntington power plant operates the Research Farm and performs effective wastewater irrigation under Huntington Ground Water Discharge Permit #UGW150002 and Hunter Ground Water Discharge Permit #UGW150001 (together "Permits"). As part of its operations and also to satisfy conditions of the Permits, PacifiCorp has worked in conjunction with Utah State University to monitor and study the soils at the Research Farm for over 40 years. This notice is for a continuation of this collaboration beginning in May 2021, at an initial term of [REDACTED] and a contract price of \$ [REDACTED] and extended in July 2022 for an additional [REDACTED] at an additional contract price of \$ [REDACTED].

USU's scope of work includes the monitoring and the study of power plant wastewater to determine the salinity effects on soil and crops. Their studies guide the irrigation schedules and water levels allowed for acceptable waste water usage while monitoring salinity levels in the soil. The university's studies and watering guidance are essential in PacifiCorp's effort to make sure it disposes of its waste water in the safest and most economical method available.

PacifiCorp has considered a competitive bid process for this contract. However, USU has been monitoring the soil levels at this location since 1977 and it is currently one of the longest soil

monitoring studies in the world. Interrupting the study by selecting another vendor would disrupt project continuity and interfere with data integrity and consistency. Such a disruption could place the Company's operations at risk since study quality is a main component of Permit compliance. If the Company lost its Permits, other wastewater solutions, such as water treatment plant installation or reverse osmosis, would be a much larger cost per gallon than the current solution. Therefore, continuing to use USU for this process, is in the best interest of PacifiCorp and its customers.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joelle Steward". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Joelle Steward
Senior Vice President, Regulation and Customer & Community Solutions

cc: Division of Public Utilities
Office of Consumer Services

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Docket No. 22-999-01

I hereby certify that on November 3, 2022, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail to the following:

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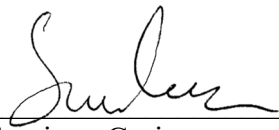
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