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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 SEL Engineering Services, Inc**

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 into a non-competitively bid contract with SEL Engineering Services, Inc ("SEL") that exceeds \$1,000,000. The contract is for SEL to provide professional engineering and consulting services to support the development of PacifiCorp's Transmission and Distribution Remedial Action Schemes ("RAS"). The total value of the contract extension is \$ [REDACTED] for a [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 Company currently uses services provided by SEL under an existing contract beginning March 30, 2019 through which SEL has developed products that use proprietary technology. PacifiCorp's new programs, Substation Control Advanced Network ("SCAN"), and Fault Location, Isolation, and Service Restoration ("FLISR") are systems being developed by PacifiCorp's grid modernization program. These systems are designed to provide advanced communication to existing protection and control field devices, most of which are SEL manufactured devices. The SCAN and FLISR programs leverage technology developed by SEL, such as the BlueFrame, Software Defined Network switch and Real Time Automation Controller to connect existing devices into these new SCAN and FLISR systems.

The contract with SEL for professional services will benefit the Company's customers in Utah by supporting the engineering and operations of PacifiCorp's complex RAS, providing access to knowledge of SEL's professionals that cannot be achieved efficiently through engaging other vendors due to the SEL proprietary technology used. The SCAN and FLISR systems are designed to increase situational awareness and cybersecurity of PacifiCorp's transmission and distribution networks. FLISR will be used to automate service restoration on the distribution network, increasing reliability for Utah customers. SCAN will be used for both distribution and transmission

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networks by introducing advanced cybersecurity and automated communication into substations and field reclosers. Primarily this will be used for automated data collection, such as event logs and device information. SCAN and FLISR will benefit Utah customers by increasing situational awareness and cybersecurity within PacifiCorp's service territory.

Questions regarding this notice can be directed to Jana Saba at 801-220-2823.

Sincerely,

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

Joelle Steward

Senior Vice President, Regulation

cc: Division of Public Utilities  
Office of Consumer Services

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Docket No. 24-999-01

I hereby certify that on July 9, 2024, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail to the following:

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