



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
GENERAL COUNSEL DIVISION

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Administrative Law Judge, Patrick Power
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RE: UM 1276 Status Report

Dear ALJ Power,

On July 30, 2007, you issued a memorandum directing Staff to submit a status report regarding Docket UM 1276. As a result, Staff takes this opportunity to provide a status update on this docket.

Staff has scheduled a workshop in this docket for August 15, 2007. In response to the Commission's request at the last workshop and in preparation for the upcoming workshop, Staff has requested that the parties work cooperatively to create a model to address the "build versus buy" bias. Staff believes that this model should incorporate ideas from both the PacifiCorp and NIPPC models. To provide for a more productive and efficient workshop, Staff has also requested that the parties provide their models to the parties on the service list prior to the August 15th workshop.

In addition to this status report and in order to keep the Commission apprised of the status of this docket, Staff also commits to filing another status report within one week after the completion of the August 15th workshop.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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3 I certify that on August 6, 2007, I served the foregoing upon all parties of record in this
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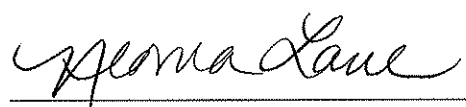
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