

April 29, 2016

***VIA ELECTRONIC FILING***

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
201 High Street SE, Suite 100  
Salem, OR 97301-1166

**Re: Docket UM 1729**

In light of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon's (Commission) Order No. 16-117, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power (PacifiCorp) is notifying the Commission that it will not submit a limited avoided cost pricing update on May 1, 2016.<sup>1</sup> In that order, the Commission declined to approve PacifiCorp's March 1, 2016, avoided cost pricing update in light of SB 1547. The Commission directed PacifiCorp, Staff, and stakeholders to convene an expedited, non-contested case process to update PacifiCorp's avoided cost pricing.

At Staff's request, the expedited, non-contested case is currently ongoing. PacifiCorp is working with Staff and stakeholders to resolve the Commission's concerns regarding its avoided cost update. Given this ongoing process, PacifiCorp does not intend to file a May 1<sup>st</sup> limited update, as any update would be redundant to the process PacifiCorp and Staff are now engaged in.

PacifiCorp believes that Order No. 16-117 obviates the need for a formal waiver request. However, to the extent that a waiver is required, PacifiCorp requests it as part of this letter.<sup>2</sup>

Informal inquiries may be directed to Erin Apperson, Manager of Regulatory Affairs, at (503) 813-6642.

Sincerely,



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Vice President, Regulation

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<sup>1</sup> Order No. 16-117, Docket No. UM 1729(1) (Mar. 23, 2016). In Order No. 14-058, the Commission established a requirement for utilities to provide a limited avoided cost price update annually on May 1. See Order No. 14-058, Docket No. UM 1610 at 2 (Feb. 24, 2014).

<sup>2</sup> In Order No. 14-058, the Commission ruled that it may waive the requirement for the May 1<sup>st</sup> limited update if an IRP is acknowledged within 60 days of May 1<sup>st</sup>. Here, the Commission acknowledged PacifiCorp's 2015 IRP on February 29, 2016 – 61 days from May 1<sup>st</sup>.