ISSUED: April 21, 2020

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 2059

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

Application for Approval of 2020 All-Source Request for Proposal.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA

The Public Utility Commission of Oregon will hold a Special Public Meeting, Public Hearing and Commission Work Session in this proceeding as follows:

DATE: April 27, 2020

TIME: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

TELECONFERENCE: 866-390-1828,

Access Code: 2252868#

This notice provides our agenda for the April 27, 2020 Special Public Meeting, which is our only scheduled workshop before our July 2, 2020 Special Public Meeting to decide approval of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power's draft Request for Proposal (RFP).

We understand that between now and July 2, many issues will be raised and resolved. Staff, stakeholders, the Independent Evaluator (IE), and PacifiCorp will each produce two sets of comments and participate in party conference calls. We encourage Staff and stakeholders to conduct a detailed examination of the draft RFP and to develop a robust record for our consideration.

At this early stage in the proceeding, our workshop will focus on preliminary and high level discussion of the RFP analysis framework. PacifiCorp is asked to begin discussion of each issue, followed by Staff and stakeholders, with Commissioner discussion throughout.

- 1. <u>Mock-up of RFP Process</u>: PacifiCorp is asked to present hypothetical bids with different technologies and prices, at two or more different locational bubbles. PacifiCorp is asked to demonstrate the following:
 - a. What analysis it will produce in each of the three RFP stages: initial screening, initial shortlist, and final shortlist.

- i. Explain the purpose and functioning of the initial screen and how it differs from the initial shortlist analysis.
- b. Illustrative examples of the figures or tables that PacifiCorp will use to display results.
 - i. Explain how a bid's price is an assumption that goes into the model with other inputs. Explain the other inputs.
 - ii. Provide examples of how a hypothetical project translates into a benefit or cost for the system.
 - iii. Explain how PacifiCorp will evaluate demarcation points, when the next project tips the result from a net benefit to a net cost.
- 2. <u>Explanation of Risks that May be Inherent in the Analysis</u>: PacifiCorp is asked to present hypothetical examples of how it will examine futures different than its reference case assumptions, and explain how the RFP will address these risks.
 - a. How the RFP analysis will consider a future with lower market prices and whether that risk will be examined for incremental procurement levels or to the entire portfolio.
 - b. How the RFP analysis will incorporate climate change futures with higher temperatures and lower hydro levels.
- 3. <u>Explanation of Risks Specific to this RFP:</u> PacifiCorp is asked to present examples of how transmission costs will affect its analysis, how it will address changing circumstances over the next year, and how it will approach queue reform risks.
 - a. Use hypothetical transmission upgrade costs for two or more different interconnection bubbles and demonstrate how those costs will impact a bid from the initial shortlist to final shortlist stages.
 - b. Explain how RFP analysis will address the risks from changing circumstances, such as reduced load or speculative bids that drop out before contract execution.
 - c. Explain queue reform risks:
 - i. Address one of the RFP's eligibility requirements that a project must have submitted an interconnection request by January 31, 2020. Explain whether there is a large enough pool of resources that satisfy this requirement, or whether there is a risk of excluding lower-cost, lower-risk bids that did not timely file an interconnection request.
 - ii. Address whether projects that missed the January 31, 2020 deadline could alternatively participate in the next cluster study and still meet the online dates of this RFP.
 - iii. Address the timing and sequence of RFP changes if FERC does not approve the queue reform filing.

If you have questions, please contact the Administrative Hearings Division by telephone (503-378-6678) or by e-mail (<u>puc.hearings@state.or.us</u>).

Dated this 21st day of April, 2020, at Salem, Oregon.

Megan W. Decker	Letha Tawney	Mark R. Thompson
Chair	Commissioner	Commissioner

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