

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 374

In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER

Request for a General Rate Revision.

RULING

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO EXPAND SCOPE AND SUPPLEMENT FILING GRANTED

On March 31, 2020, PacifiCorp d/b/a Pacific Power filed a motion to expand the scope of this proceeding to include a determination of the depreciation rates for PacifiCorp's coal-fired resources and allow PacifiCorp to supplement its filing with certain materials previously submitted in docket number UM 1968, PacifiCorp's pending depreciation rate proceeding. PacifiCorp asserts that this would allow the determination of exit dates and all depreciation issues for PacifiCorp's coal-fired resources to be substantively addressed in docket UE 374, which would promote efficiency and avoid the potential for inconsistency. Additionally, PacifiCorp seeks to supplement its filing in this proceeding with testimony, exhibits and studies relevant to depreciation rates for coal-fired resources filed in docket UM 1968, as listed in its motion. PacifiCorp represents that it consulted the other parties to this proceeding, and that its motion is unopposed.

The Commission has broad discretion to segregate issues and order separate hearings, under ORS 756.528, and to consolidate proceedings for hearing under OAR 860-001-0600. The issues in this proceeding regarding PacifiCorp's proposed exit dates for its coal-fired resources are relevant to the determination of depreciation rates for those resources. I find that determining the depreciation rates for PacifiCorp's coal-fired resources in this proceeding will permit consideration of all such issues in a single docket and will promote administrative efficiency. Accordingly, I grant the motion to expand the scope of this proceeding and allow PacifiCorp to supplement its filing with the identified materials.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2020, at Salem, Oregon.



Alison Lackey
Administrative Law Judge