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UM 1209

STAFF DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

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**In the Matter of
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CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Bryan Conway

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STAFF EXHIBIT 100

Direct Testimony

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1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND**
2 **OCCUPATION.**

3 A. My name is Bryan Conway. My business address is 550 Capitol Street
4 NE, Suite 215, Salem, Oregon 97301-2551. I am employed by the Public
5 Utility Commission of Oregon (OPUC) as the Program Manager of the
6 Economic and Policy Analysis Section in the Economic Research and
7 Financial Analysis Division.

8 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE.**

9 A. My Witness Qualifications Statement is found on Exhibit Staff/101,
10 Conway/1. In addition, I have completed all of the required and elective
11 coursework for a Ph.D. in economics from Oregon State University. My
12 fields of study were Industrial Organization and Applied Econometrics. I
13 have testified before the Commission in UG 132, UE 115, UE 116, and
14 have been the Summary Staff Witness in UP 158, UP 168, UP 165/170,
15 UX 27, and UX 28.

16 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR ROLE IN THIS DOCKET?**

17 A. I am the Staff case manager in UM 1209. As the case manager, I am
18 responsible for Staff's overall recommendation in this docket.

19 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS TESTIMONY?**

20 A. I will present Staff's summary recommendations and provide a historical
21 overview. In addition, I will address issues surrounding the so-called
22 benefits proffered by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC).

23 **Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED ANY EXHIBITS?**

1 A. Yes. I prepared Staff/101, consisting of one page and Staff/102,
2 consisting of 53 pages.

3 **Q. WHAT DOES THE UM 1209 DOCKET INVOLVE?**

4 A. This docket is MEHC's application to acquire PacifiCorp, a subsidiary of
5 ScottishPower.

6 **Q. HOW IS THE STAFF TESTIMONY ORGANIZED?**

7 A. Table 1 presents the Staff Exhibit numbers, major issues identified by
8 Staff, as well as the Staff witnesses.

9 Table 1

Exhibit Number(s)	Description	Staff Person(s)
Staff/100	Summary Witness, Access to Information	Bryan Conway
Staff/200	Corporate overheads, Affiliated Interests, Cost Allocations, Access to Information	Michael Dougherty
Staff/300	Debt cost reduction	Ming Peng
Staff/400	LCPs, Transmission Infrastructure, Environmental Issues, Emissions	Maury Galbraith
Staff/500	Coal Costs, Coal-fired generation, acquisition costs	Ed Durrenberger
Staff/600	Customer Guarantees	Clark Jackson

1 **Q. WHAT IS THE STAFF’S ROLE IN THIS DOCKET?**

2 A. Staff’s role in this docket is to review MEHC’s application to determine if it
3 meets the requirements of ORS 757.511. This statute requires the
4 applicant to bear the burden of showing that granting the application will
5 serve the public utility’s customers in the public interest.

6 **Q. WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE IN THE**
7 **PUBLIC INTEREST?**

8 A. This Commission addressed the legal interpretation of the meaning of “will
9 serve the public utility’s customers in the public interest” in Order Number
10 01-778.¹ The Commission interpreted the meaning of “will serve the
11 public utility’s customers in the public interest” directive to require a two-
12 step assessment of whether the proposed transaction will (1) provide a net
13 benefit to the utility’s customers, and (2) impose “no harm” to the public at
14 large.

15 **Q. HOW WAS THE ISSUE OF NET BENEFITS ADDRESSED IN PRIOR**
16 **ACQUISITIONS?**

17 A. Prior to Order Number 01-778, the Commission did not need to address
18 the issue in the last three acquisition dockets. In the Enron acquisition of
19 PGE, the ScottishPower acquisition of PacifiCorp, and the Sierra Pacific
20 acquisition of PGE the issue of defining what is “in the public interest” was
21 satisfied because the applicants ultimately demonstrated, to the

¹ See [UM 1011](#), Legal standard for approval of mergers.

1 Commission's satisfaction, that the transactions could be expected to
2 meet the more stringent net benefits standard.

3 **Q. WHAT DOES MEHC OFFER TO PACIFICORP CUSTOMERS IN ITS**
4 **APPLICATION?**

5 A. MEHC states that it "intends to operate PacifiCorp in much the same way
6 as it is currently being operated." MEHC further states, "the Commission
7 will continue to exercise the same degree of regulatory oversight over
8 PacifiCorp as it does today. The proposed transaction will result in no
9 harm to PacifiCorp customers." See Joint Application at 16. Additionally,
10 MEHC offers numerous commitments², but states that the "chief benefit
11 from the proposed transaction is MEHC's willingness and ability to deploy
12 capital to meet PacifiCorp's significant infrastructure needs. MEHC has
13 focused on investments in the energy industry and is uniquely positioned
14 to invest significant capital in the industry." See Joint Application at 19.

15 **Q. WHAT DOES MEHC'S TESTIMONY IMPLY FOR THIS DOCKET?**

16 A. Staff assumes that MEHC is proposing to show that its transaction results
17 in sufficient economic benefits to PacifiCorp's customers to meet the
18 higher of the two standards (net benefits to customers).

² Staff uses the terms commitments and conditions interchangeably throughout its testimony. Either term refers to requirements or agreements that mitigate harm or add benefit.

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Summary Recommendation

Q. WHAT IS STAFF'S SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION?

A. Staff recommends that the Commission deny MEHC's application to acquire PacifiCorp. The application does not demonstrate net benefits to PacifiCorp's customers and will harm customers.

Q. IS THIS STAFF'S FINAL WORD IN THIS DOCKET?

A. No. Staff will review the testimony of other parties and the Applicant and PacifiCorp's rebuttal testimony, which is due on December 7, 2005. Also, there are settlement discussions scheduled for November 30, 2005, and December 2, 2005. Staff hopes that the MEHC will address and mitigate the concerns of Staff and other parties.

Q. WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS OR POSITIONS IN THIS CASE?

A. There are several possibilities. One possibility is that Staff and the Intervenors reach settlement with the Applicant on a set of conditions and support the acquisition. Alternatively, Staff could recommend the acquisition be denied and still propose conditions it believes are necessary to address harms and meet the requirement of net benefits, which MEHC or the other parties may dispute.

Q. WHY MIGHT STAFF RECOMMEND A SET OF CONDITIONS THAT SHOULD ACCOMPANY THE COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF THE ACQUISITION?

1 A. Although the Commission, in Order 05-114, declined to issue a conditional
2 order, the Commission may determine it wishes to do so in this case.
3 Further, the set of conditions recommended by Staff may assist the
4 Applicant and other parties, as well as the Commission, in analyzing and
5 addressing the harm Staff and intervenors identify.

6 **Q. WHAT ARE THE REMAINING SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES IN THIS**
7 **DOCKET?**

8 A. The remaining major events in this Docket are as follows:

9	November 30, 2005	Settlement Conference.
10	December 2, 2005	Settlement Conference.
11	December 7, 2005	Applicant and PacifiCorp Rebuttal.
12	December 30, 2005	Staff and Intervenor Surrebuttal
13	January 9, 2006	Applicant and PacifiCorp Sursurebuttal
14	January 13, 2006	Executive Summaries
15	January 18, 2006	Opening Presentations
16	January 19, 2006	Evidentiary Hearings Begin

17 Therefore, the schedule allows for more opportunities for parties to
18 share concerns and resolve issues.

19 **Q. WHAT ARE THE MAJOR TOPICS OR QUESTIONS ADDRESSED IN**
20 **STAFF'S TESTIMONY?**

21 A. In Staff/100, in addition to summarizing Staff's case, I discuss the proper
22 comparator to use for analyzing net benefits and harm, commitments
23 pertaining to financial issues, access to information, community

1 involvement and economic development, corporate presence, maintaining
2 PacifiCorp employee contracts and benefits, and goodwill. Additionally, I
3 discuss the sufficiency of the application, MEHC's willingness to invest,
4 and the statements regarding ScottishPower's corresponding reluctance
5 to invest in cost-effective infrastructure.

6 In Staff/200, Staff Witness Michael Dougherty addresses MEHC's
7 ability to acquire PacifiCorp without increasing costs for insurance and
8 also raises concerns regarding the effect of cost allocations between
9 MEHC and PacifiCorp.

10 In Staff/300, Staff Witness Ming Peng discusses MEHC's commitment
11 regarding a 10 basis point differential in future PacifiCorp debt issuances
12 from that issued by comparable companies.

13 In Staff/400, Staff Witness Maury Galbraith addresses MEHC's
14 commitments to make infrastructure investments, emissions reductions,
15 and other commitments related to integrated resource planning.

16 In Staff/500, Staff Witness James Durrenberger discusses MEHC's
17 commitments regarding coal technologies and related environmental
18 issues. Additionally, Mr. Durrenberger presents a review of the
19 Commission's policy regarding acquisition costs, including goodwill.

20 In Staff/600, Staff Witness Clark Jackson discusses MEHC's
21 commitment regarding customer guarantees and performance standards
22 for PacifiCorp.

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Review of MEHC’s Proposed Conditions

Q. HAS STAFF REVIEWED MEHC’S PROPOSED CONDITIONS?

A. Yes. Staff has reviewed the conditions. Our review has led us to conclude that the MEHC proposed conditions fall into four categories. The categories are:

1. Conditions Staff supports in concept that are focused primarily on mitigating risks or providing benefits to PacifiCorp customers. Staff may have suggested language changes to some of the conditions.
2. Conditions supported by Staff that are focused primarily on the public generally. Staff may have suggested language changes to some of the conditions.
3. Conditions that Staff believes provide no value, restate current laws, are unworkable, are unlawful, create a harm, or otherwise restate current PacifiCorp commitments.
4. Conditions Staff finds reasonable but does not believe have an impact on the finding of net benefits. These conditions are also focused on providing protections for the Applicant and PacifiCorp.

Q. WHICH CONDITIONS PROPOSED BY MEHC FALL INTO CATEGORY 1?

A. As contained in PPL/309, these are conditions 3, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 29, 30, 36, 41, 48, O1, and O2.

Q. WHICH CONDITIONS PROPOSED BY MEHC FALL INTO CATEGORY 2?

1 A. As contained in PPL/309, these are conditions 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 43, and
2 44.

3 **Q. WHICH CONDITIONS PROPOSED BY MEHC FALL INTO**
4 **CATEGORY 3?**

5 A. As contained in PPL/309, these are conditions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12,
6 14, 20, 21, 23, 31, 32, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 45, 46, 47, 49, 50, O3, O4,
7 and O5.

8 **Q. WHICH CONDITIONS PROPOSED BY MEHC FALL INTO**
9 **CATEGORY 4?**

10 A. As contained in PPL/309, these are conditions 33 and 34.

11 **Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED AN EXHIBIT REGARDING THE CATEGORIES**
12 **OF CONDITIONS?**

13 A. Yes. Exhibit Staff/102, Conway/1-27, provides a table regarding the
14 categories of conditions. The table includes a reference to the MEHC
15 condition number, the wording as proposed by Staff, the basis for the
16 categorization of the condition³, and the Staff Witness responsible for the
17 condition.

18 **Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY OBSERVATIONS TO OFFER REGARDING THE**
19 **FOUR CATEGORIES OF CONDITIONS?**

20 A. Yes. Staff notes that a large number of the conditions MEHC proposes
21 are being proposed in each of PacifiCorp's state jurisdictions. In Oregon,

³ The summary statement or basis for the categorization is provided as a reference aid. The Staff Witness' testimony supporting the categorization takes precedence over the table should there be a conflict between the two.

1 where there are fairly broad statutory powers, many of the proposed
2 conditions are duplicative of existing statutory authority and therefore are
3 not necessary. The same might not be true in other states. On the other
4 hand, Staff is also recommending rate credits as the clearest method of
5 addressing the harms identified, to help ensure the transaction is expected
6 to provide net benefits to customers.

7 **Q. WHICH COMMITMENTS DO ADDRESS IN YOUR TESTIMONY?**

8 A. I address MEHC commitments 11, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 28, 29, 33, 34,
9 47, 50, O1, O2, and O4.

10 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 11.**

11 A. MEHC commits that any diversified holdings and investments (e.g., non-
12 utility business or foreign utilities) of MEHC and PacifiCorp following
13 approval of the transaction will be held in a separate company(ies) other
14 than PacifiCorp, the entity for utility operations. Additionally, ring-fencing
15 provisions (i.e., measures providing for separate financial and accounting
16 treatment) will be provided for each of these diversified activities,

17 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 11 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
18 PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

19 A. No. It is unclear what, if any, diversified holdings MEHC plans to acquire
20 in the future, so it is difficult to determine what impact, if any, the holdings
21 would have on PacifiCorp, if it were a subsidiary of PacifiCorp. However,
22 this commitment does provide some protection from harms by prohibiting
23 the creation of a PacifiCorp subsidiary for the purposes of holding the

1 investment. The ring fencing provisions mentioned in this commitment
2 carry little value until they are adequately specified up front. Because the
3 holdings may be held under MEHC, there is a possibility of harm to
4 MEHC's credit rating which could affect PacifiCorp.

5 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 15.**

6 A. MEHC commits to maintain PacifiCorp's current commitment with respect
7 to maintaining separate debt and stock ratings.

8 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 15 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
9 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

10 A. No. This does not provide an incremental value to customers because it
11 is currently required of PacifiCorp and ScottishPower.

12 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 18.**

13 A. MEHC commits to provide all written information provided to credit rating
14 agencies.

15 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 18 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
16 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

17 A. No. PacifiCorp is already required to provide this information to the
18 Commission, upon request.

19 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A RECOMMENDED CHANGE?**

20 A. Yes. The condition should require both information provided by PacifiCorp
21 and MEHC, as well as all information provided to PacifiCorp and MEHC by
22 the rating agencies. This would clarify the condition and help maintain the
23 status quo.

1 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 19.**

2 A. This commitment states that PacifiCorp will not make any distribution to
3 PPW Holdings LLC or MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity
4 capital below 40 percent of its total capital without Commission approval.
5 PacifiCorp's total capital is defined as common equity, preferred equity
6 and long-term debt. Long-term debt is defined as debt with a term of one
7 year or more. The commitment also states that the Commission and
8 PacifiCorp may reexamine this minimum common equity percentage as
9 financial conditions or accounting standards change, and may request that
10 it be adjusted.

11 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 19 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
12 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

13 A. No, this commitment does not provide incremental value. PacifiCorp is
14 already required to maintain this level of common equity. However, if the
15 MEHC commitment was adopted as proposed, all else equal, customers
16 would be harmed due to a likely downgrade in PacifiCorp's rating. This
17 harm is discussed in detail on pages 34 through 37.

18 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A RECOMMENDED CHANGE?**

19 A. Yes. I recommend the following condition:

20 PacifiCorp will not make any dividends to PPW Holdings LLC or
21 MEHC that will reduce PacifiCorp's common equity capital below
22 48 percent of its total capital without Commission approval.
23 PacifiCorp's total capital is defined as common equity, preferred
24 equity and long-term debt. Long-term debt is defined as debt with
25 a term of more than one year. PacifiCorp's preferred stock will be
26 considered 50% debt and 50% common equity for purposes of
27 determining the common equity capital. The parties may request

1 that Commission reexamine this minimum common equity
2 percentage as financial conditions or accounting standards
3 change, and may request that it be adjusted.
4

5 **Q. WHAT MODIFICATIONS DID YOU MAKE?**

6 A. First, I clarified that the restriction refers to all dividends. Second, I
7 increased the percentage of common equity to 48 percent but allowed for
8 a portion of PacifiCorp's preferred stock to be considered as equity. Third,
9 I corrected the definition of long-term debt to match that of financial
10 analysts. And, finally, I modified the language so that any party to this
11 proceeding (including Staff) may request the Commission reexamine the
12 minimum equity percentage if financial conditions or accounting standards
13 change.

14 **Q. WHAT IMPACT DO YOUR MODIFICATIONS HAVE?**

15 A. My modifications strengthen the condition and provide more protection for
16 PacifiCorp and its customers than the proposed commitment.

17 **Q. WHY DID YOU CHOOSE 48 PERCENT EQUITY?**

18 A. As discussed in the Holding Company section of my testimony, Portland
19 General Electric (PGE), which has a Commission-adopted 48 percent
20 minimum common equity requirement, is considered sufficiently ring
21 fenced by S&P. This allows S&P to assign a rating for PGE that is higher
22 than its parent company. I have modified this commitment to mirror PGE's
23 current commitment.

1 **Q. IF MEHC WERE TO ADOPT THIS COMMITMENT, DOES THAT MEAN**
2 **PACIFICORP WOULD BE ADEQUATELY RING FENCED?**

3 A. No. Other provisions are likely necessary. S&P states that MEC is
4 adequately ring fenced from MEHC, so the Applicant should explicitly
5 commit to the ring fencing provisions in place for MEC in this docket. My
6 revised minimum common equity commitment should be part of the ring
7 fencing package.

8 **Q. WOULD YOUR MODIFIED COMMON EQUITY CONDITION PROVIDE**
9 **AN INCREMENTAL BENEFIT TO CUSTOMERS?**

10 A. No, not in isolation. I discuss this topic more fully in the Holding Company
11 section of my testimony.

12 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 20.**

13 A. MEHC commits that PacifiCorp's capital requirements will be given a high
14 priority by the Board of Directors of MEHC and PacifiCorp.

15 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 20 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
16 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

17 A. No. This commitment is unworkable because we will not be able to
18 measure the degree of priority given by the Board of Directors.

19 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 22.**

20 A. MEHC commits that PacifiCorp will not seek a higher cost of capital due to
21 MEHC's ownership.

22 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 22 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
23 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

1 A. No. This is a commitment already required of PacifiCorp.

2 **Q. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD?**

3 A. Yes. This commitment likely only provides protections in the event of an
4 extreme isolated event such as a bankruptcy. Because ratings agencies
5 consider a host of issues when deciding to downgrade a rating, it is
6 difficult to isolate one issue as the issue that “tipped the scale.” However,
7 if the event is extreme enough, such as in the case of a bankrupt parent,
8 the effects of the bankrupt parent will overshadow the other effects. For
9 this reason, Staff does not believe this commitment unequivocally
10 provides protection to customers from the higher costs of debt associated
11 with a ratings downgrade as discussed in my Holding Company section.

12 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 23.**

13 A. MEHC commits that PacifiCorp will not seek a higher revenue requirement
14 due to MEHC’s ownership.

15 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 23 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
16 PACIFICORP’S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

17 A. No. This commitment is not viewed as beneficial by Staff because the
18 “comparator” against which we would judge revenue requirement impacts
19 is too difficult to implement. For this reason, Staff assigns no benefit to
20 the condition.

21 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 27.**

22 A. MEHC commits that PacifiCorp maintain its existing level o community-
23 related contributions.

1 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 27 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
2 **PACIFICORP’S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

3 A. No. This commitment merely continues PacifiCorp’s current practice.

4 **Q. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD?**

5 A. Yes. It is unclear if MEHC intends for this to cap PacifiCorp’s current level
6 of contributions.

7 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 28.**

8 A. MEHC commits that PacifiCorp will consult with regional advisory boards
9 to ensure local perspectives are heard regarding community issues.

10 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 28 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
11 **PACIFICORP’S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

12 A. No. This commitment merely continues PacifiCorp’s current practice.

13 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENTS 29 AND 30.**

14 A. MEHC commits to honor existing labor contracts for all levels of PacifiCorp
15 employees; as well as commits to not make any changes to employee
16 benefit plans for a period of at least two years following the date of the
17 Stock Purchase Agreement.

18 **Q. DO MEHC COMMITMENTS 29 AND 30 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL**
19 **VALUE TO PACIFICORP’S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

20 A. No.

21 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENTS 29 AND 30 ADDRESS A POTENTIAL**
22 **HARM TO PACIFICORP’S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

1 A. Yes. These commitments do address a potential harm that arises as a
2 result of this transaction. The commitments serve to reduce PacifiCorp
3 employee uncertainty with regards to compensation issues thereby
4 maintaining employee productivity and service to PacifiCorp's customers.

5 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 33.**

6 A. This commitment states that MEHC and PacifiCorp are not waiving their
7 rights to request confidential treatment of information.

8 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 33 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
9 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

10 A. No. However, this commitment may provide some comfort to the
11 Applicant.

12 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 34.**

13 A. This commitment describes a process MEHC and PacifiCorp wish the
14 Commission to adopt in the event MEHC or PacifiCorp violate any of their
15 commitments.

16 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 34 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
17 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

18 A. No. However, this commitment may provide some comfort to the
19 Applicant. It outlines steps that would be required before the Commission
20 would seek penalties under state laws.

21 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A RECOMMENDED CHANGE?**

1 A. Yes, I believe the following proposed condition provides a better process
2 and specifically addresses conditions as well as commitments. My
3 recommended modified commitment is as follows:

4 If the Commission believes that MEHC and/or PacifiCorp have
5 violated any of the conditions or commitments set forth herein, any
6 conditions or commitments contained in other stipulations signed
7 by MEHC and PacifiCorp, or any conditions or commitments
8 imposed by the Commission in its final order approving the
9 Application (collectively, the "Conditions"), then the Commission
10 shall give MEHC and PacifiCorp written notice of the violation.

11 a. If the violation is for failure to file any notice or report required by
12 the Conditions, and if MEHC and/or PacifiCorp provide the notice or
13 report to the Commission within ten business days of the receipt of the
14 written notice, then the Commission shall take no action. MEHC or
15 PacifiCorp may request, for cause, permission for extension of the ten-day
16 period. For any other violation of the Conditions, the Commission must
17 give MEHC and PacifiCorp written notice of the violation. If such failure
18 is corrected within five business days of the written notice, then the
19 Commission shall take no action. MEHC or PacifiCorp may request, for
20 cause, permission for extension of the five-day period.

21 b. If MEHC and/or PacifiCorp fail to file a notice or written report
22 within the time permitted in subparagraph a. above, or if MEHC and/or
23 PacifiCorp fail to cure, within the time permitted above, a violation that
24 does not relate to the filing of a notice or report, then the Commission
25 may open an investigation, with an opportunity for MEHC and/or
26 PacifiCorp to request a hearing, to determine the number and seriousness
27 of the violations. If the Commission determines after the investigation
28 and hearing (if requested) that MEHC and/or PacifiCorp violated one or
29 more of the Conditions, then the Commission shall issue an Order stating
30 the level of penalty it will seek. MEHC and/or PacifiCorp, as appropriate,
31 may appeal such an order under ORS 756.580. If the Commission's order
32 is upheld on appeal, and the order imposes penalties under a statute that
33 further requires the Commission to file a complaint in court, then the
34 Commission may file a complaint in the appropriate court seeking the
35 penalties specified in the order, and MEHC and/or PacifiCorp shall file a
36 responsive pleading agreeing to pay the penalties. The Commission shall
37 seek a penalty on only one of MEHC or PacifiCorp for the same violation.

38 c. The Commission shall not be bound by subsection (a) in the event
39 the Commission determines PacifiCorp has violated any of the material
40 conditions, contained herein, more than two times within a rolling 24-
41 month period.

1 d. PacifiCorp and/or MEHC shall have the opportunity to demonstrate
2 to the Commission that subsection (c) should not apply on a case-by-case
3 basis.
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5 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 47.**

6 A. This commitment states that MEHC plans to continue PacifiCorp's existing
7 economic development practices and lend MEHC's experience to the
8 process.

9 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 47 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
10 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

11 A. No. It is continuing a current PacifiCorp practice and the impact, if any, of
12 substituting MEHC's expertise for ScottishPower's expertise is unknown.

13 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 50.**

14 A. This commitment states that MEHC will file reports with the Commission
15 regarding the progress of its commitments.

16 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 50 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
17 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

18 A. No. The Commission already has the authority to request this information.
19 Further, failing to meet a commitment is more directly addressed by Staff's
20 proposed commitment 34.

21 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 01.**

22 A. This commitment re-states the current ScottishPower commitment
23 regarding discovery disputes.

24 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 01 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
25 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

1 A. No. This procedure is already in place.

2 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A RECOMMENDED CHANGE?**

3 A. Yes, I believe the following proposed condition provides a better process:

4 In the event of a dispute between Commission Staff and MEHC
5 or PacifiCorp regarding a Commission Staff request made
6 pursuant to acquisition conditions or commitments, the parties
7 agree that an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) shall resolve the
8 dispute as follows: (i) within ten (10) business days MEHC or
9 PacifiCorp shall deliver to the ALJ the books and records
10 responsive to Staff's request and shall indicate the basis for the
11 objection; (ii) Staff may respond in writing and MEHC and/or
12 PacifiCorp may reply; (iii) the ALJ shall review the documents in
13 private; and (iv) the ALJ shall issue a ruling determining whether
14 the documents (a) are reasonably calculated to lead to the
15 discovery of relevant information, and, if so, (b) whether the
16 documents should receive the protection requested. The ALJ
17 shall use this standard whether or not Staff is making the
18 request in connection with an open docket. Nothing in this
19 provision shall affect the right of MEHC or PacifiCorp to request
20 that the Commission treat the documents as exempt from
21 disclosure to third parties under applicable law.
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23 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT O2.**

24 A. This commitment states that PacifiCorp's headquarters will remain in
25 Oregon.

26 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT O2 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
27 PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

28 A. No. This commitment currently exists.

29 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT O4.**

30 A. This commitment provides that MEHC and PacifiCorp will commit to an
31 interpretation of ORS 757.480 that would not limit the Commission's ability
32 to authorize a merger of another public utility with PacifiCorp, if the public
33 utility provides service in Oregon.

1 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 04 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
2 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

3 A. No. The statute (specifically, ORS 757.480(c)) currently makes no mention
4 of geographic restrictions.

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Discussion
The Appropriate Comparator

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Q. WHAT ARE STAFF'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE
APPROPRIATE COMPARATOR IN THIS CASE?

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1. Infrastructure and Resource Investments

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Q. WHAT ARE STAFF'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE EFFECT OF
THE ACQUISITION ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND RESOURCE
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A. Staff concludes that, in general, customers are better off if the regulated
utility is willing and able to make cost-effective investments than if the
regulated utility is unwilling or unable to make cost-effective investments.
When utilities are not willing to invest in service, the outcome may be a

1 reduction in service quality and a long-term increase in cost. While the
2 Commission may intervene when service degrades, as was the case with
3 Qwest, customers may view a rate reduction due to poor service a
4 “second best” solution and prefer high quality service. Further, in the case
5 of persistent underinvestment and corresponding disallowances the end
6 result could be financial instability of the utility. Chronic financial instability
7 or bankruptcy does not well serve customers or investors.

8 **Q. DOES MEHC CLAIM TO BE WILLING AND ABLE TO INVEST IN COST-**
9 **EFFECTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE?**

10 A. Yes. MEHC states, the “chief benefit from the proposed transaction is
11 MEHC’s willingness and ability to deploy capital to meet PacifiCorp’s
12 significant infrastructure needs.” See Joint Application at 19.

13 **Q. IS INVESTMENT IN COST-EFFECTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDED**
14 **IN THE NEAR FUTURE?**

15 A. Yes. Staff Witness Maury Galbraith addresses this issue and concludes
16 that, especially in the area of transmission infrastructure, additional
17 investment is necessary.

18 **Q. DO MEHC’S COMMITMENTS REQUIRE IT TO INVEST IN COST-**
19 **EFFECTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE?**

20 A. No. Staff Witness Maury Galbraith addresses this issue and
21 demonstrates that MEHC has not committed to building, or investing in,
22 any specific project. Further, it has not demonstrated any quantifiable
23 benefit associated with any of the projects they discuss.

1 **Q. HOW DOES MEHC REACH THE CONCLUSION THAT ITS**
2 **WILLINGNESS TO INVEST IS THE CHIEF BENEFIT OF THE**
3 **ACQUISITION?**

4 A. In addition to claiming it would be a willing investor, MEHC further alleges
5 that ScottishPower will be reluctant and slow to make investments.

6 MEHC's claim is based on its allegation, not supported by evidence
7 offered with the applications, that PacifiCorp does not meet
8 ScottishPower's investors' expectations. See PPL/100, Abel/14, lines 2-4.

9 **Q. DID MEHC QUANTIFY OR OTHERWISE ESTIMATE ITS**
10 **"WILLINGNESS TO INVEST" BENEFIT?**

11 A. No. MEHC clarifies that its chief benefit is that they are providing "greater
12 certainty, because the ability and willingness of ScottishPower to make
13 these investments was less certain." See PPL/100, Abel/14 lines 2-4. Mr.
14 Abel continues at PPL/100, Abel 23, lines 17-19, "...MEHC's long-term
15 ability and willingness to invest in energy infrastructure is significant and
16 real but not readily capable of quantification."

17 **Q. HAS MEHC OR ITS SUBSIDIARIES SHOWN A WILLINGNESS TO**
18 **INVEST IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS?**

19 A. Yes. MEC, a subsidiary of MEHC, appears to be willing to invest in Iowa,
20 its largest state. However, this willingness to invest may be due to the
21 Iowa Utilities Board's (IUB) pre-approval of rate base principles for the
22 new investments. The Iowa pre-approval legislation was adopted in 2001
23 and it appears the intention was to encourage utilities to build new

1 generation. The pre-approval legislation requires the IUB to adopt
2 ratemaking principles prior to construction of new alternative energy,
3 combined cycle, and base load facilities. Ratemaking principles include
4 such things as return on equity and depreciable life.

5 **Q. WHAT EVIDENCE DOES MEHC RELY UPON TO SUPPORT ITS**
6 **ALLEGATION ABOUT SCOTTISHPOWER'S UNWILLINGNESS TO**
7 **INVEST?**

8 A. Mr. Abel concludes, at PPL/100, Abel 11 lines 21-23, that PacifiCorp does
9 not meet ScottishPower's investors' expectations based upon "his
10 conversations with representatives of Scottish Power plc." See Response
11 to OPUC Data Request No. 3 attached as Staff/102, Conway/28.

12 **Q. DOES SCOTTISHPOWER CONCLUDE THAT PACIFICORP NO**
13 **LONGER MEETS SCOTTISHPOWER'S INVESTORS'**
14 **EXPECTATIONS?**

15 A. Yes. Although ScottishPower is committed "to run PacifiCorp, absent the
16 transaction, prudently," ScottishPower believes MEHC "potentially has a
17 more efficient approach to financing PacifiCorp's significant investment
18 needs." See Response to OPUC Data Request No. 5, attached as
19 Staff/102, Conway/29.

20 **Q. DOES PACIFICORP HAVE ANY INTERNAL CORRESPONDENCE**
21 **THAT SHOWS A REDUCTION IN A PACIFICORP CAPITAL BUDGET**
22 **REQUEST?**

1 A. No. It also was unable to provide any evidence, beyond press releases
2 announcing the sale to MEHC, of ScottishPower's unwillingness to make
3 cost-effective investments in PacifiCorp over the next 10 years. See
4 Response to Staff Data Request 127 attached as Staff/102, Conway/30.

5 **Q. DOES PACIFICORP CURRENTLY FACE SHORT-TERM INVESTOR**
6 **PRESSURES?**

7 A. It does not appear so. In Docket UE 170, PacifiCorp stated that Staff's
8 assertion that "a high dividend payout requirement at ScottishPower
9 resulted in increased demands for cash at PacifiCorp was "wholly
10 unsupported." PacifiCorp replied that "ScottishPower accepted major
11 reductions in dividend levels from levels PacifiCorp paid prior to the
12 ScottishPower merger." (See PacifiCorp's UE 170 Opening Brief Page 19
13 lines 3-9.)

14 **Q. DOES MEHC CURRENTLY FACE SHORT-TERM INVESTOR**
15 **PRESSURES?**

16 A. Yes. While MEHC claims it is "not subject to shareholder expectations of
17 regular, quarterly dividends and relatively [sic] returns on investments."
18 MEHC, at year end 2004, owed Berkshire Hathaway nearly \$1.5 billion on
19 which it is paying 11 percent interest. The following excerpt was taken
20 from the 2004 Chairman's letter

21 "At yearend, \$1.478 billion of MidAmerican's junior debt was
22 payable to Berkshire. This debt has allowed acquisitions to be
23 financed without our partners needing to increase their
24 already substantial investments in MidAmerican. By charging
25 11% interest, Berkshire is compensated fairly for putting up

1 the funds needed for purchases, while our partners are
2 spared dilution of their equity interests. Because
3 MidAmerican made no large acquisitions last year, it paid
4 down \$100 million of what it owes us." See
5 <http://www.berkshirehathaway.com>.

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7 Since debt payments have a higher priority than dividend payments and
8 debt payments are legally required to be paid, I view a significant amount
9 of debt owed to a primary shareholder to be a greater short-term financial
10 pressure than expectations of dividends.

11 **Q. ARE THERE OTHER FACTORS THAT SUGGEST THAT MEHC MAY**
12 **IMPOSE SHORT-TERM INVESTOR PRESSURES?**

13 A. Yes. In its September 7, 2005, ratings announcement on MEHC,
14 Standard & Poor's discusses liquidity issues. While stating that MEHC
15 currently has adequate liquidity and access to capital to meet ongoing
16 financial obligations, Standard & Poor's notes:

17 "MEHC will need to maintain its access to capital markets, as it
18 has some large maturities to fund in the coming years.
19 Maturities at the parent over the next five years include trust-
20 preferred redemptions of \$189 million in 2005 and \$234 million
21 each year through 2009. MEHC will also have debt maturities
22 of \$260 million in September 2005, zero in 2006, \$550 million in
23 2007, \$1 billion in 2008, and zero in 2009."
24 See Staff/102, Conway/36.

25 **Q. STANDARD & POOR'S STATES THAT MEHC HAS ADEQUATE CASH**
26 **ON HAND TO FUND THESE MATURITIES. IS THE FACT THAT MEHC**
27 **HAS SOME LARGE MATURITIES TO FUND IN THE COMING YEARS**
28 **STILL A CONCERN?**

1 A. Yes. MEHC is committing to aggressive infrastructure investment at
2 PacifiCorp over a time when it currently has large maturities to fund.
3 Further, Staff has no assurances that MEHC is not planning to make other
4 investments in utilities or businesses over the same time period. MEHC
5 states that the price it paid for PacifiCorp “is fair for the value received, if
6 PacifiCorp is able to earn its authorized return.” See PPL/100, Abel/13.
7 What would be the outcome if PacifiCorp were to have a poor earnings
8 year in 2008 when MEHC has \$1.234 billion of trust-preferred and debt
9 maturities? These types of situations could give rise to the short-term
10 investor pressures MEHC claims can be avoided by approving the
11 transaction.

12 **Q. HAS PACIFICORP OR SCOTTISHPOWER SHOWN A RELUCTANCE**
13 **TO INVEST IN COST-EFFECTIVE INFRASTRUCTURE IN OREGON**
14 **PROCEEDINGS?**

15 A. No. Over the last two LCP dockets (LC 31 and LC 39), a point of
16 contention has been PacifiCorp’s apparent desire to invest in
17 infrastructure *before* it was necessary. See Order No. 03-508.

18 **Q. WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE REGARDING MEHC’S CHIEF BENEFIT**
19 **OF INCREASED WILLINGNESS TO INVEST?**

20 A. While an increased willingness to invest may be beneficial to customers,
21 there is no factual evidence to demonstrate that ScottishPower will act
22 differently than it has in the past or that MEHC will be as willing to invest in
23 Oregon as it has in Iowa given the different regulatory regimes. Further,

1 while MEHC offers a commitment to invest in certain projects on an
2 expedited fashion, PacifiCorp has shown a desire to invest in projects
3 before they are needed. Staff, while conceding generally that a willing
4 investor is superior to an unwilling investor, concludes that the proposal
5 has not demonstrated any added value in this area.

6 7 **2. Financial Stability**

8 Effect of MEHC ownership on credit ratings and cost of debt

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10 **Q. HAS MEHC BEEN ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE A “TANGIBLE BENEFIT**
11 **OF REDUCED COST OF LONG-TERM INCREMENTAL DEBT?”**

12 A. No. Staff Witness Ming Peng addresses MEHC’s commitment regarding
13 up to a 10 basis point reduction in the incremental cost of long-term debt
14 for PacifiCorp given the rates achieved by comparable companies. Ms.
15 Peng concludes the commitment has a large inherent measurement error
16 and, using a CreditWeek sample of A rated regulated utilities, that
17 PacifiCorp appears to have been able to issue debt, under
18 ScottishPower’s ownership, at 30 to 50 basis points lower than
19 comparable companies.

20 **Q. DID YOU REVIEW ISSUES RELATED TO PACIFICORP’S COST OF**
21 **DEBT?**

1 A. Yes. I will compare and contrast bond ratings and debt costs under
2 PacifiCorp under ScottishPower's ownership with MEC under MEHC's
3 ownership.

4 **Q. WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE REGARDING A COMPARISON OF**
5 **PACIFICORP AND MEC'S RATINGS?**

6 A. Many factors go into a rating of a company as well as the spread it can
7 obtain on debt issuances. One of the factors is the credit profile of the
8 corporate family. Currently Standard & Poor's (S&P) assigns a BBB-
9 corporate credit rating for MEHC and a A- corporate credit rating for
10 MEHC's subsidiary, MidAmerican Energy Company (MEC). In its ratings
11 release S&P explains some of the factors relating to MEC's A- credit
12 rating:

13 "MEC currently operates under a rate agreement approved by
14 the Iowa Utilities Board (IUB) in 2001, 2003, and 2005, which
15 Standard & Poor's views as very supportive of credit quality.
16 MEC has agreed not to request a general increase in rates
17 before 2012 unless its Iowa jurisdictional electric ROE falls
18 below 10%. The Iowa Office of the Consumer Advocate has
19 agreed not to request or support any rate decreases before Jan.
20 1, 2012. In addition, earnings exceeding an ROE of 12%
21 through Dec. 31, 2005 and 11.75% for 2006 through 2011 will
22 be shared with customers. (See Staff/102, Conway/37)
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24 Still another factor affecting MEC's credit rating may be Iowa laws that
25 allow for pre-approval of rate base principles for the new investments.
26 This law requires the IUB to set critical components of a proposed
27 generating plant in advance of the plant being built or used. For example,
28 the return on equity and the depreciation life are required to be set prior to

1 construction of a plant. This leads to increased certainty with respect to
2 cost recovery and will help to increase ratings and lower spreads. Oregon
3 does not have a law that requires the Commission to specify returns and
4 depreciable life for new plant, or prior to a plant coming online.

5 All of these factors would likely be considered by an institution who is
6 lending money to MEC and therefore MEC has not demonstrated that it
7 enjoys any debt savings as contrasted with comparable companies that
8 can be attributed to Berkshire Hathaway's ownership of MEHC.

9 **Q. HOW DOES MEC'S REGULATORY FORMAT AND CREDIT RATING**
10 **COMPARE TO PACIFICORP'S?**

11 A. MEC's credit rating is benefited by an AFOR which provides for profit
12 sharing when MEC earns equity returns greater than 12 percent and
13 allows MEC to file a rate case if its return falls below 10 percent. In
14 contrast, PacifiCorp's return on equity for Oregon-regulated purposes was
15 recently set at 10 percent, and PacifiCorp does not have an excess
16 earnings sharing mechanism in Oregon.

17 Finally, S&P has put PacifiCorp on credit watch negative due to
18 weaker stand-alone credit metrics⁴. S&P states they will look at such
19 things as ring fencing for resulting creditworthiness. See Joint Application
20 Page 12.

⁴ By "stand-alone credit metrics" I mean a company's (here, PacifiCorp) financial ratios assigned by the credit rating agencies without any consideration of the company's parent company (here, ScottishPower today, MEHC if the Commission approves its application).

1 **Q. REGARDING PPL/400, GOODMAN/10, WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE**
2 **FROM MR. GOODMAN’S ANALYSIS OF PACIFICORP’S STAND-**
3 **ALONE METRICS?**

4 A. PacifiCorp currently benefits from a strong parent in ScottishPower. If the
5 transaction closes and the resulting consolidated credit worthiness is less
6 than that under ScottishPower and there is insufficient ring fencing, then
7 the harm to PacifiCorp and its customers could be as high as Mr.
8 Goodman estimates (from \$26.7 to over \$100 million). See PPL/400,
9 Goodman/10.

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11 Effect of MEHC proposal on corporate overhead charges

12 **Q. WHAT ARE STAFF’S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE EFFECT OF**
13 **THE ACQUISITION ON CORPORATE OVERHEAD CHARGES?**

14 A. MEHC’s proposal and its commitments do not benefit customers and likely
15 will result in substantial financial harm. Staff Witness Michael Dougherty
16 explains how the loss of ScottishPower’s captive insurance (Dornoch) and
17 the increased allocation of corporate overhead charges result in a net
18 present value Oregon-allocated harm of approximately nearly \$28 million
19 in contrast to the estimated \$30 million system-wide benefit claimed by
20 MEHC.

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Q. WHAT ARE STAFF'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE EFFECT OF THE ACQUISITION ON CUSTOMER SERVICE?

A. The proposal, as it stands today, will have little effect on customer service in Oregon. Staff Witness Clark Jackson presents testimony on customer guarantees and the level of customer service PacifiCorp has maintained. Mr. Jackson concludes MEHC's offer to extend them provide little or no benefit to Oregon given the customer service guarantees also benefit the Company and the likelihood that PacifiCorp will continue to voluntarily extend them.

Q. WHAT CONCLUSIONS DID YOU REACH WITH REGARD TO SERVICE QUALITY MEASURES?

A. PacifiCorp is currently obligated to continue its Oregon safety and service quality measures through 2014. This PacifiCorp commitment came as a result of a settlement in UE 147. Staff is comfortable with the current commitment and is not seeking extensions or modifications to that agreement in this docket. As such, the acquisition provides no incremental value with respect to service quality.

4. Holding Company

Access to information in Oregon, especially in light of PUHCA repeal

Q. WHAT ARE STAFF'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE EFFECT OF THE ACQUISITION ON ACCESS TO INFORMATION?

A. The acquisition would not diminish Staff's access to information needed to effectively regulate PacifiCorp. Staff Witness Michael Dougherty addresses this in more detail.

Effect of debt or acquisition premium on PacifiCorp's finances

Q. WHAT ARE STAFF'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE EFFECT OF DEBT OR ACQUISITION PREMIUM ON PACIFICORP'S FINANCES?

A. Staff concludes that the effect of debt at MEHC would likely mean higher costs of capital for PacifiCorp.

Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN

A. MEHC is currently highly leveraged with nearly 78 percent long-term debt. Unaudited pro forma statements provided by the Applicant indicate that the effect of consolidating MEHC with PacifiCorp through this transaction⁵ would be to lower the percentage of long-term debt to 71 percent. See PPL/400, Goodman/5. The effect of leverage at MEHC cannot be viewed as benefiting PacifiCorp's ratings by the ratings agencies.

⁵ Several other assumptions are included such as dividend payments to ScottishPower, \$500 million equity investment by ScottishPower, and expected earnings and debt retirements at PacifiCorp, MEHC, and MEHC's subsidiaries.

1 **Q. WHAT RATING IS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO MEC'S DEBT?**

2 A. MEC is currently rated A- by S&P and Fitch. It has a comparable A3
3 rating from Moody's. See Table 2 at PPL/Goodman/7

4 **Q. WHAT RATING IS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO PACIFICORP'S DEBT?**

5 A. PacifiCorp's senior secured debt is currently rated A- and its unsecured
6 debt is rated BBB+ by S&P.

7 **Q. IF MEC AND PACIFICORP HAVE SIMILAR RATINGS TODAY, WHY DO**
8 **YOU BELIEVE PACIFICORP'S COST OF CAPITAL MAY RISE DUE TO**
9 **THE TRANSACTION AS IT IS CURRENTLY PROPOSED?**

10 A. I believe MEC and PacifiCorp are fundamentally different due to S&P's
11 differing views of the ring fencing provisions in place for MEC and
12 PacifiCorp.

13 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN.**

14 A. As part of my analysis, I called S&P and talked to the primary contacts for
15 both PacifiCorp (Anne Selting) and MEC (Scott Taylor). S&P informed me
16 that PacifiCorp's rating relies on its parent, ScottishPower. In contrast,
17 S&P indicated that MEC is one of a few utilities it considers sufficiently
18 ring fenced so that it can rely heavily on MEC's stand-alone credit
19 worthiness. What this implies about MEC's and PacifiCorp's current rating
20 by S&P is that MEC's credit rating is supported by its stand-alone credit
21 metrics while PacifiCorp's rating is supported by ScottishPower's credit
22 worthiness.

1 **Q. DID S&P PROVIDE YOU WITH NAMES OF OTHER UTILITIES IT**
2 **CONSIDERS TO BE SUFFICIENTLY RING FENCED?**

3 A. Yes. Of note for this proceeding is that Portland General Electric, a
4 subsidiary of Enron, was considered sufficiently ring fenced. PGE's ring
5 fence allowed S&P to rate PGE's debt substantially higher than its
6 parent's debt because it could rely upon PGE's stand-alone credit
7 worthiness.

8 **Q. WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE ABOUT THE EFFECT OF MEHC'S DEBT**
9 **ON PACIFICORP'S COST OF CAPITAL?**

10 A. Absent sufficient ring fencing and other measures such as credit support
11 (e.g., capital infusions), PacifiCorp will likely experience higher costs of
12 debt due to a reduction in PacifiCorp's debt rating. Again, the amount of
13 leverage at MEHC leads to MEHC's lower rating when compared to
14 ScottishPower.

15 **Q. WHY IS BOTH RING FENCING AND CREDIT SUPPORT REQUIRED**
16 **TO ENSURE PACIFICORP'S RATING DOES NOT DROP?**

17 A. Ring fencing will allow S&P to view PacifiCorp as it does MEC and rely on
18 PacifiCorp's stand-alone credit metrics. Credit support appears necessary
19 given S&P's statements regarding PacifiCorp's weaker stand-alone
20 metrics as compared to MEC.

1 **Q. WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO OCCUR TO PACIFICORP’S CREDIT**
2 **RATING IF THIS APPLICATION IS APPROVED AND CONTAINS**
3 **SUFFICIENT RING FENCING PROVISIONS BUT DOES NOT CONTAIN**
4 **SUFFICIENT CREDIT SUPPORT?**

5 A. I would expect PacifiCorp’s credit ratings to fall. I would not expect
6 PacifiCorp to have the same credit ratings as MEC because MEC has
7 stronger financial metrics than PacifiCorp and MEC operates under more
8 favorable statutes and regulation. The credit downgrade may be
9 preventable if MEHC provided credit support to PacifiCorp to improve its
10 financial metrics (assuming sufficient ring fencing). Again, a reduction in
11 PacifiCorp’s credit rating could cause significant increases in PacifiCorp’s
12 cost of financing capital.

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14 Ability of OPUC to regulate Oregon portion of a multi-state utility

15 **Q. WHAT “OTHER EFFECTS” ARE POSSIBLE FROM THE**
16 **TRANSACTION?**

17 A. An acquisition with MEHC may alter the relationship PacifiCorp has with
18 its regulators.

19 **Q. WHY IS PACIFICORP’S RELATIONSHIP WITH ITS REGULATORS**
20 **IMPORTANT?**

21 A. Currently, PacifiCorp’s bond ratings are favorably affected by good
22 relations with its regulators. See S&P analysis attached as Conway/31. If

1 this relationship were to deteriorate, financial harm could befall customers
2 through increased cost of debt.

3 **Q. DID STAFF UNDERTAKE EFFORTS TO EVALUATE MEC'S**
4 **RELATIONSHIP WITH ITS REGULATORS?**

5 A. Yes, I visited with and interviewed various staff of the regulators and
6 consumer advocate groups in the states where MEC operates.

7 **Q. WHAT DID YOU FIND?**

8 A. I found, on balance, that MEC is likely viewed as PacifiCorp is viewed by
9 regulators in Oregon. For the most part, MEC is viewed as straightforward
10 and responsive to data requests, has a commitment to employee safety,
11 and maintains good service quality throughout its service territory.

12 **Q. DID ANYTHING FROM THE INTERVIEWS GIVE RISE TO A CONCERN**
13 **IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

14 A. Yes, it appears that there has been a long-standing disagreement with the
15 Illinois Commission regarding Illinois law. Specifically, the disagreement
16 arises from the selling of natural gas on a competitive basis within its
17 traditional service area. The tone of the Order I reviewed (03-0659), as
18 well as the Illinois Commission's conclusions, give rise to my concern.

19 **Q. WHAT DID THE COMMISSION SAY THAT LED TO YOUR CONCERN?**

20 A. On page 9 of the Order on Rehearing, the Commission's Conclusion
21 begins,

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23 "Throughout its Initial Brief on Rehearing and Reply Brief on
24 Rehearing, MEC disregards the scope of the rehearing and
25 challenges conclusions in the May 11, 2004 Order that are not
26 subject to reconsideration. Many of MEC's arguments on

1 rehearing are based on the notion that its selling of natural gas
2 on a competitive basis within its traditional service area
3 through “competitive divisions” is a nonpublic utility business.
4 This notion, however, has already been rejected by the
5 Commission and is not within the scope of rehearing. MEC, as
6 a gas public utility, can not avoid the law governing gas public
7 utilities and Commission scrutiny of gas sales by simply calling
8 some division of its public utility business “competitive” and
9 selling gas through this newly named ‘competitive division.’”
10 See Staff/102, Conway/38-49 for a full copy of the Order.

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12 **Q. HAS THIS ISSUE BEEN RESOLVED?**

13 A. In part. The Illinois legislature recently passed a law allowing MEC to sell
14 natural gas within its service area. Although this law now allows the
15 actions the Commission previously concluded were unlawful, there are
16 different interpretations about whether the new law makes MEC’s past
17 actions legal. If the new law is not retroactive, the Illinois commission
18 could order refunds to customers.

19 **Q. WHAT CONCERN DOES THIS RAISE IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

20 A. The issue before the Illinois proceeding appeared to me to be an example
21 of the complications of running a multi-state utility. What is allowable in
22 one state may not be in another. For example, Utah has pre-approval of
23 plants while Oregon does not. Iowa is MEC’s major jurisdiction just as
24 Utah is now PacifiCorp’s largest jurisdiction. As the Commission has seen
25 through the MSP process, operating a six-state utility can be quite
26 challenging. I am hopeful that MEHC can address the Illinois issue in its
27 rebuttal testimony and explain how it plans to avoid these types of
28 situations in Oregon.

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5. Other Effects of the Proposed MEHC Transaction

Relocation of headquarters of personnel

Q. WHAT ARE STAFF'S CONCLUSIONS REGARDING THE RELOCATION OF HEADQUARTERS OF PERSONNEL?

A. Staff was unable to definitely conclude that harm would come from the announced limited relocation of personnel to Utah. However, Staff demonstrated that without an offsetting benefit such as more efficient operations at PacifiCorp, there would likely be a negative impact on local and state tax revenues, purchasing power, and civic involvement in Oregon. Staff Witness Mr. Dougherty addresses this issue more fully at Staff/200, Dougherty/41-42.

Q. PLEASE DISCUSS MEHC COMMITMENTS 29 AND 30.

A. In Commitment 29, MEHC agrees to honor existing labor contracts for all levels of PacifiCorp employees. With regards to Commitment 30, MEHC agrees to not make any changes to employee benefit plans for a period of at least two years following the date of the Stock Purchase Agreement.

Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENTS 29 AND 30 ADDRESS A POTENTIAL HARM TO PACIFICORP'S OREGON CUSTOMERS?

A. Yes. These commitments do address a potential harm that arises as a result of this transaction. Assuming the transaction goes forward, it makes sense to presume that employee productivity would decrease if the employees were uncertain regarding their pay and benefits. Employees

1 would be distracted from carrying out their duties by wondering how their
2 work environment and benefits might change under a new owner. This
3 condition addresses that potential harm by assuring that existing contracts
4 will be honored and no changes in benefit plans would occur for at least
5 two years.

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7 Effect of Berkshire Hathaway's influence on PacifiCorp

8 **Q. DOES MR. BUFFET HAVE THE POWER TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL**
9 **INFLUENCE OVER BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY?**

10 A. Yes. Mr. Buffet is the majority owner of Berkshire Hathaway as well as
11 the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

12 **Q. DOES BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY HAVE THE POWER TO EXERCISE**
13 **SUBSTANTIAL INFLUENCE OVER MEHC?**

14 A. Yes. Berkshire Hathaway currently has 80.48 percent economic interest,
15 9.9% voting interest, the right to elect 20 percent of MEHC's Board of
16 Directors, and requires MEHC to acquire Berkshire Hathaway's approval
17 for certain transactions. An excerpt from Berkshire Hathaway's home
18 page explains that the inequality between Berkshire Hathaway's voting
19 interest and Berkshire Hathaway's economic interest was primarily due to
20 PUHCA and Berkshire Hathaway's desire to avoid being registered as a
21 holding company. See Staff/102, Conway/51. Additionally, the application
22 states that Berkshire Hathaway would take actions to reconcile the
23 difference between its voting rights and its economic rights once PUHCA

1 has been repealed. PUHCA has been repealed effective February 1,
2 2006.

3 **Q. DOES WALTER SCOTT HAVE THE POWER TO EXERCISE**
4 **SUBSTANTIAL INFLUENCE OVER MEHC?**

5 A. Yes. Walter Scott currently has 15.89 percent economic interest and
6 88.1% voting interest in MEHC.

7 **Q. WOULD MEHC HAVE THE POWER TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL**
8 **INFLUENCE OVER PACIFICORP IF THE TRANSACTION CLOSES?**

9 A. Absolutely. Mr. Abel, who sponsors testimony on behalf of MEHC will
10 serve as the chairman of PacifiCorp's Board of Directors. See PPL/100,
11 Abel/2, line 13.

12 **Q. WOULD BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY'S AND WALTER SCOTT'S POWER**
13 **TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL INFLUENCE OVER MEHC TRANSLATE**
14 **INTO THE POWER TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL INFLUENCE OVER**
15 **PACIFICORP IF THE TRANSACTION CLOSES?**

16 A. Yes. As it stands today, Mr. Abel will have a fiduciary responsibility to
17 PacifiCorp's shareholder, MEHC. In addition, as president and chief
18 operating officer of MEHC, Mr. Abel will have a fiduciary responsibility to
19 MEHC's shareholders, of which Berkshire Hathaway has the largest
20 economic interest while Mr. Scott has the largest voting interest. I do not
21 see how one could conclude that Berkshire Hathaway and Walter Scott
22 will not have substantial influence over PacifiCorp.

1 **Q. WOULD MR. BUFFET’S POWER TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL**
2 **INFLUENCE OVER BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY TRANSLATE INTO THE**
3 **POWER TO EXERCISE SUBSTANTIAL INFLUENCE OVER**
4 **PACIFICORP, IF THE TRANSACTION CLOSES?**

5 A. Yes. As illustrated in a recent Wall Street Journal Article, Mr. Buffet
6 typically employs a “hands-off approach.” In fact, Mr. Buffet states that he
7 “delegates to the point of abdication.” However, the article also states
8 that, “[o]n occasion, problems of such severity arise that Mr. Buffet
9 abandons his hands-off approach.” See Staff/102, Conway/53.

10 **Q. DOES THE APPLICANT DISCUSS BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY’S**
11 **INFLUENCE OVER PACIFICORP?**

12 A. Yes. The Applicant assert benefits of the influence such as lower spreads
13 on debt issuances and a requirement that PacifiCorp act consistently with
14 MEHC and its other business platforms on matters of national importance.
15 See PPL/100, Abel/24 line 21 through Abel/25 line 1.

16 **Q. ARE BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY, WARREN BUFFET AND WALTER**
17 **SCOTT APPLICANTS IN THE PRESENT PROCEEDING?**

18 A. No, not as of November 18, 2005.

19 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ABOUT WHETHER BERKSHIRE**
20 **HATHAWAY, WARREN BUFFET AND WALTER SCOTT SHOULD BE**
21 **APPLICANTS IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

22 A. While this question involves a matter of law and fact, and I am not a
23 lawyer, Berkshire Hathaway, Warren Buffet, and Walter Scott should all be

1 applicants in this proceeding. Staff is consulting with its lawyers to decide
2 how to best bring this issue before the Commission for a timely resolution.
3

4 **Conclusion**

5 **Q. WHAT HAS STAFF CONCLUDED REGARDING MEHC'S**
6 **APPLICATION TO ACQUIRE PACIFICORP?**

7 A. Staff has concluded that the proposal, as it stands today, falls short of
8 demonstrating net benefits for customers. The acquisition presents
9 several clear and quantifiable harms such as increased insurance costs,
10 increased overhead charges, and potential increases in the cost of debt,
11 should ring fencing provisions, credit support, and MEHC's consolidated
12 credit worthiness prove insufficient. These harms and other harms raised
13 by the Intervenors should be addressed through a combination of
14 additional commitments including rate credits.

15 **Q. WHY DO YOU MENTION THE REMEDY OF RATE CREDITS WHEN**
16 **MEHC HAS NOT OFFERED ANY TO DATE?**

17 A. Rate credits offer the clearest method of addressing the harms identified.

18 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

19 A. Yes.
20

CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Bryan Conway

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 101

Witness Qualifications Statement

November 21, 2005

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

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EDUCATION: B.S. University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon
Major: Economics; 1991
M.S. Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon
Major: Economics; 1994

In addition, I have completed all of the required and elective coursework for a Ph.D. in economics from Oregon State University. My fields of study were Industrial Organization and Applied Econometrics.

EXPERIENCE: Starting in October 1998, I have been employed by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon. I am currently the Program Manager of the Economic & Policy Analysis Section. My responsibilities include leading research and providing technical support on a wide range of policy issues for electric, telecommunications, and gas utilities. I have testified before the Commission on policy and technical issues in UG 132, UE 115, UE 116, UE 170 and have been the Summary Staff Witness in UP 158, UP 168, UP 165/170, UX 27, UX 28, UM 967, UM 1041, UM 1045, UM 1121, UM 1206.

From December 1994 to October 1998, I worked for the Oregon Employment Department as a Research Analyst in their Research Section. Duties included leading research projects on various policy issues involving labor economics and information systems.

OTHER EXPERIENCE: I am currently a faculty member of the University of Phoenix teaching economics.

From January 1998 through September 2000, I was a part time instructor at Linn-Benton Community College teaching principles of economics.

From July 1992 through June 1994, I was a graduate teaching assistant at Oregon State University teaching introductory principles of economics.

CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Michael Dougherty

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 200

Direct Testimony

November 21, 2005

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, OCCUPATION, AND BUSINESS**
2 **ADDRESS.**

3 A. My name is Michael Dougherty. I am employed by the Public Utility
4 Commission of Oregon as Program Manager, Corporate Analysis and Water
5 Regulation section of the Utility Program. My business address is 550 Capitol
6 Street NE Suite 215, Salem, Oregon 97301-2551.

7 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND WORK**
8 **EXPERIENCE.**

9 A. My Witness Qualification Statement is found in Exhibit Staff/201.

10 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

11 A. The purpose of my testimony is to discuss corporate overhead costs,
12 Intercompany Administrative Services Agreement (IASA), Cost Allocations,
13 Affiliated Interest Issues, MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC) and
14 PacifiCorp's Utah specific commitments, and MEHC's adoption of certain
15 ScottishPower prior commitments.

16 **Q. DID YOU PREPARE EXHIBITS FOR THIS DOCKET?**

17 A. Yes. I prepared Exhibit Staff/202 and Exhibit Staff/203.

18 **Q. HOW IS YOUR TESTIMONY ORGANIZED?**

19 A. My testimony is organized as follows:

20	Issue 1, Corporate Overhead Charges	2
21	Issue 2, Intercompany Administrative Services Contract/Cost	
22	Allocations/ Affiliated Interests.....	25
23	Issue 3, MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company and PacifiCorp's	
24	Utah Specific Commitments	41
25	Issue 4, MEHC's Adoption of Certain ScottishPower Prior	
26	Commitments	46

1 tax, financial, risk management, human resources, environmental, and other
2 services to PacifiCorp.³

3 **Q. IN ADDITION TO THE SHARED SERVICES THAT MEHC PLANS TO**
4 **PROVIDE, WILL PACIFICORP RECEIVE SERVICES FROM ANOTHER**
5 **MEHC AFFILIATE THAT ARE ALSO A BASIS OF THE MEHC**
6 **CORPORATE OVERHEAD CHARGES?**

7 A. Yes. MidAmerican Energy Company (MEC) will provide budgeting and
8 forecasting, human resources, and tax compliance services to PacifiCorp.⁴

9 **Q. ARE THESE MEC SPECIFIC SERVICES CURRENTLY BEING PROVIDED**
10 **BY SCOTTISHPOWER?**

11 A. ScottishPower is providing similar services proposed by MEHC. However, Mr.
12 Specketer's testimony does not specifically differentiate between the human
13 resource services, tax, budgeting and forecasting services that will be provided
14 by MEHC, as compared to the same services provided by MEC.

15 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE BASIS OF MEHC'S CONCLUSION THAT THERE**
16 **WOULD BE A SAVINGS OF APPROXIMATELY \$6 MILLION PER YEAR**
17 **IN CORPORATE OVERHEAD COSTS.**

18 A. MEHC states that it will limit corporate charges to PacifiCorp from MEHC and
19 MEC to not exceed \$9 million annually for a period of five years after the
20 closing of the transaction.⁵ MEHC then compares this limit of \$9 million per
21 year to Scottish Power's projected fiscal year 2006 net cross-charges of

³ Staff Memo, UI 221, dated November 18, 2003, page 2.

⁴ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, PPL/500; Specketer/4.

⁵ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, Joint application, page 9.

1 \$15 million per year. MEHC simply subtracts \$9 million per year from
2 \$15 million per year resulting in a projected savings of \$6 million per year.
3 According to MEHC, the savings would be approximately \$30 million over a
4 five-year period.

5 **Q. IS THIS PROJECTED SAVINGS OF \$6 MILLION PER YEAR SYSTEM-**
6 **WIDE OR OREGON-ALLOCATED?**

7 A. This projected savings is a system-wide amount. Using the PacifiCorp UE 170
8 Oregon allocation of .294462, the projected savings for Oregon would be
9 approximately \$1.77 million per year, or \$8.83 million over the five-year period.

10 **Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH MEHC'S ANALYSIS?**

11 A. No. MEHC assumes that the \$15 million ScottishPower net cross-charge is
12 currently the amount in rates. Under Commission Order No. 05-1050, the
13 recent OPUC UE 170 rate order, the ScottishPower charge to PacifiCorp is
14 \$11.7 million per year, not \$15 million per year.

15 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN.**

16 A. In the UE 170 Partial Stipulation filed on May 4, 2005, which was signed by
17 Staff, PacifiCorp, Citizen's Utility Board (CUB), Industrial Consumers of
18 Northwest Utilities (ICNU), and Fred Meyer, the parties agreed to a reduction of
19 \$6.123 million (Oregon-allocated) in non-labor administrative and general
20 costs. Included in Staff's analysis of this adjustment was a reduction in
21 ScottishPower charges of \$15.66 million included in PacifiCorp's test year
22 costs⁶ to Staff's recommended level of \$11.7 million. This amount was

⁶ UE 170, PPL Exhibit 801; Weston/4.15.

1 calculated based on initial and supplemental information received from
2 PacifiCorp during UE 170.

3 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEHC'S NET CROSS-**
4 **CHARGE AMOUNT OF \$15 MILLION AND THE APPROXIMATELY**
5 **\$15.66 MILLION COST THAT PACIFICORP FILED IN UE 170.**

6 A. MEHC uses the net⁷ cross-charge amount, which would include costs charged
7 to ScottishPower from PacifiCorp.⁸ According to PacifiCorp's Fiscal Year 2005
8 Annual Affiliated Interest Report, dated September 30, 2005, PacifiCorp cross-
9 charged ScottishPower approximately \$2.90 million in labor costs and group
10 corporate recharges.⁹ Additionally, according to PacifiCorp's Fiscal Year 2004
11 Annual Affiliated Interest Report, dated September 30, 2004, PacifiCorp cross-
12 charged ScottishPower approximately \$720 thousand in labor costs.¹⁰ Based
13 on this data, it appears that MEHC netted the \$15.66 million ScottishPower
14 charges submitted by PacifiCorp in UE 170, and the \$720 thousand PacifiCorp
15 charges ScottishPower in fiscal year 2004 to reach the \$15 million amount
16 stated in MEHC's testimony. The difference between the \$15 million amount
17 stated by MEHC and the \$11.7 million amount that resulted from Staff's
18 UE 170 analysis is \$3.3 million. These are system wide-numbers.

19 **Q. SO DID MEHC OVERSTATE THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF THE**
20 **SCOTTISHPOWER NET CROSS-CHARGE?**

⁷ According to the American Heritage Dictionary, Second College Edition, net is "Remaining after all deductions and adjustments are made."

⁸ PacifiCorp in its UI 221 Application, Commission Order No. 03-726, dated December 12, 2003, estimated that the annual cross charges to ScottishPower by PacifiCorp would be under \$2 million annually.

⁹ PacifiCorp's FY 2005 Annual Affiliated Interest Report, September 30, 2005.

¹⁰ PacifiCorp's FY 2004 Annual Affiliated Interest Report, September 30, 2004.

1 A. Yes. This amount is overstated. MEHC's original application was filed July
2 2005. PacifiCorp's 2005 fiscal year ended March 31, 2005, and the Partial
3 Stipulation was dated May 4, 2005. Because of the dates, MEHC had access
4 to actual amounts that should have been included in its calculation of net
5 cross-charges. By not using the most complete and up to date information,
6 MEHC is overestimating the "savings."

7 **Q. SO WHAT IS THE APPROXIMATE FISCAL YEAR 2006**
8 **SCOTTISHPOWER NET CROSS-CHARGE?**

9 A. The approximate fiscal year 2006 net cross-charge would be \$8.8 million. This
10 amount is based on the most recent available data, and is received by
11 subtracting \$2.90 million (PacifiCorp fiscal year 2005 cross-charge to
12 ScottishPower) from the \$11.7 million (ScottishPower cross-charge amount in
13 UE 170), which equals \$8.8 million.

14 **Q. SO WHAT IS THE ACTUAL PROJECTED SAVINGS?**

15 A. There are no savings. The system-wide cost is \$194 thousand per year, which
16 equals \$1.94 million over a ten-year period. The Oregon-allocated cost is
17 \$57 thousand per year, which equals \$572 thousand over a ten-year period.
18 Staff Exhibit/202, page 1, illustrates the recalculated cross-charge costs to
19 Oregon customers.

20 **Q. IF MEHC IS USING A FIVE-YEAR SNAPSHOT OF SAVINGS, WHY DID**
21 **YOU EXTEND THE COSTS OUT TO A TEN-YEAR PERIOD?**

22 A. I extended out the costs to a ten-year period because MEHC states:

1 “MEHC and its primary investor, Berkshire Hathaway,
2 acquire a business with the intention of holding and investing
3 in the business for the long term, where such investments
4 are fair to customers, employees and shareholders.”¹¹
5

6 In addition, MEHC also states:

7
8 “MEHC shareholders expect to own PacifiCorp for a long
9 time.”¹²
10

11 Because MEHC plans to hold PacifiCorp as a long-term investment, and
12 because there is a cost to this ownership, a ten-year analysis is necessary to
13 understand the full cost effect concerning corporate overhead costs.

14 **Q. BASED ON YOUR ANALYSIS CONCERNING COSTS ASSOCIATED**
15 **WITH SHARED SERVICES, IS THERE A COST TO OREGON**
16 **CUSTOMERS FOR THIS SPECIFIC MEHC COMMITMENT?**

17 A. Yes, there is a cost of \$572 thousand over a ten-year period to Oregon
18 customers for corporate overhead costs. Clearly there is no projected or
19 guaranteed benefit.

20 **Q. THIS AMOUNT IS RELATIVELY SMALL. ARE THERE ANY OTHER**
21 **FACTORS THAT WOULD AFFECT APPROXIMATE SAVINGS OR**
22 **COSTS?**

23 A. Yes. There are three major factors that can greatly affect the actual costs to
24 PacifiCorp’s Oregon customers. First, because not all PacifiCorp affiliates (i.e.,
25 PPM Energy)¹³ are part of the MEHC transaction, the management fee

¹¹ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, page 7.

¹² UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, PPL/100; Abel 13.

¹³ According to PacifiCorp’s response to Staff Data Request No. 53, the only affiliate remaining with PacifiCorp that is allocated the management fee is PacifiCorp Environmental Remediation Company (PERCO).

1 allocation for electric operations will increase from the UE 170 projected fiscal
2 year 2006 allocation of 92.74 percent¹⁴ to 99.85 percent after the transaction.¹⁵

3 Second, PacifiCorp currently bills affiliates for labor and other services
4 performed by PacifiCorp staff. The ability to bill affiliates spreads out
5 PacifiCorp's administrative and general costs between multiple entities,
6 resulting in lower costs to PacifiCorp's Oregon customers. Third, there is no
7 indication that the services provided by MEC are a duplication of services
8 currently being performed internally by PacifiCorp or a duplication of services
9 planned to be undertaken by MEHC, or both.

10 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE MANAGEMENT FEE.**

11 A. The management fee is the corporate group expenses (overhead) that
12 PacifiCorp allocates to its electric operations and certain affiliates based on a
13 three-factor formula. The three-factor is allocated based on each entity's
14 revenues, payroll, and assets, each weighed equally.

15 **Q. HOW WOULD THE CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT FEES AFFECT OREGON**
16 **CUSTOMERS?**

17 A. According to PacifiCorp's Fiscal Year 2005 Affiliated Interest Report,
18 \$20.03 million of the total management fee of \$21.6 million was allocated to
19 electric operations.¹⁶ When applying the 99.85 percent post-MEHC transaction
20 to total management fee costs, the electric operations allocation would
21 increase to \$21.57 million. This is a system-wide increase of \$1.54 million

¹⁴ According to PacifiCorp's Fiscal Year 2005 Affiliated Interest Report, the actual allocation to electric operations in fiscal year 2005 was 93.49 percent.

¹⁵ PacifiCorp's response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 53.

¹⁶ PacifiCorp's Fiscal Year 2005 Affiliated Interest Report, Section VII.

1 (\$451 thousand, Oregon-allocated), which would be absorbed by Oregon
2 customers. Over a ten-year period, this is a \$15.4 million (\$4.51 million,
3 Oregon-allocated) increase in management fees. This increase in
4 management fees is a cost to Oregon customers.

5 **Q. THE MANAGEMENT FEE IS IN RATES AS A RESULT OF UE 170, SO**
6 **CUSTOMERS WOULD NOT HAVE TO ABSORB *ADDITIONAL***
7 **MANAGEMENT FEE COSTS UNLESS PACIFICORP FILES FOR A RATE**
8 **INCREASE AND THE COMMISSION AGREES TO INCLUDE THE**
9 **ADDITIONAL FEE IN RATES, CORRECT?**

10 A. Yes, if PacifiCorp does not file a rate case within the next ten years, then
11 customers would be unaffected by this percent increase in the management
12 fee allocation. However, in the past five years, PacifiCorp has filed three
13 requests for a general rate increase (UE 116, UE 147, and UE 170).

14 **Q. SO YOUR ANALYSIS CONCLUDES, GIVEN CURRENT INFORMATION,**
15 **THERE IS A COST TO OREGON CUSTOMERS BASED ON THE**
16 **MANAGEMENT FEE IF PACIFICORP REQUESTS A GENERAL RATE**
17 **INCREASE AND THE COMMISSION AGREES TO INCLUDE THE**
18 **INCREASE IN RATES?**

19 A. Yes. The potential cost to Oregon customers would be approximately
20 \$451 thousand per year. Over a ten-year period, this cost to Oregon
21 customers would equal approximately \$4.51 million. Clearly there is no
22 projected or guaranteed benefit.

1 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE PAYMENTS FROM AFFILIATES FOR SERVICES**
2 **PROVIDED BY PACIFICORP.**

3 A. In addition to services provided to ScottishPower, PacifiCorp also performs
4 numerous services for other affiliates that are not part of the MEHC
5 transaction. These affiliates include: PacifiCorp Holdings, PacifiCorp Group
6 Holdings, PPM Energy, Pacific Klamath Energy, PacifiCorp Financial Services,
7 PacifiCorp Energy Canada, and Enstor Operating Company. Services
8 provided include labor, Information Technology (IT) allocations, IT service
9 allocations, PC supporting services, shared services charge backs, and facility
10 services. The approximate Fiscal Year 2005 payments for these services
11 (minus the management fee already discussed) are \$7.93 million.¹⁷

12 **Q. CAN YOU PROVIDE A TABLE THAT SHOWS THE PAYMENTS**
13 **PACIFICORP RECEIVED FROM AFFILIATES FOR SERVICES THAT IT**
14 **PROVIDED?**

15 A. Yes. The following table shows the fiscal year 2005 payments for services that
16 PacifiCorp received from affiliates. The amounts listed exclude the
17 management fee previously discussed and are taken from PacifiCorp's Fiscal
18 Year 2005 Annual Affiliated Interest Report.

19 **Table 1 – Affiliate Charges**

Affiliate	Amount
PacifiCorp Holdings	\$317,111
PacifiCorp Group Holdings	\$99,650
PPM Energy (Net)	\$6,911,416
Pacific Klamath Energy	\$178,416
PacifiCorp Financial Services	\$147,260

¹⁷ PacifiCorp's FY 2005 Annual Affiliated Interest Report.

Affiliate	Amount
PacifiCorp Energy Canada	\$83,848
Enstor Operating Company	\$192,964
Total	\$7,930,665

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2 **Q. BECAUSE FUNDS ARE RECEIVED FROM AFFILIATES FOR THESE**
3 **SERVICES AND DO NOT CURRENTLY RESULT IN COST TO**
4 **CUSTOMERS, WHY IS THERE A COST ISSUE WITH THESE SERVICES?**

5 A. These payments from affiliates could become a cost to customers if PacifiCorp
6 requests a general rate increase. These affiliates are not part of the
7 acquisition, so there will be fewer entities to spread the stated administrative
8 costs to, which would increase costs to Oregon customers.

9 According to page 9 of the Application, MEHC states, "There are no plans
10 for a reduction in workforce as a result of this transaction."¹⁸ Additionally,
11 PacifiCorp also states that it has no plans to establish any affiliates or
12 subsidiaries to undertake new business ventures, or undertake any business
13 activities of ScottishPower affiliates.¹⁹ Because there are no planned
14 workforce reductions or no new affiliates, there will no longer be other entities
15 to absorb these labor and services costs if, and when, PacifiCorp requests a
16 general rate case. So although customers will not initially pay increased
17 overhead costs associated with these services, customers will have to absorb
18 these costs if PacifiCorp requests a general rate increase in the next ten years.

19 **Q. WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM COSTS OVER A TEN-YEAR PERIOD TO**
20 **OREGON CUSTOMERS FOR THESE SERVICES?**

¹⁸ UM 1209 MEHC Direct Testimony and Exhibits, page 9.

¹⁹ PacifiCorp's response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Requests Nos. 74 and 75.

1 A. Because PacifiCorp received \$7.93 million in payments for these services in
2 fiscal year 2005, the Oregon-allocated portion of these costs would be
3 approximately \$2.34 million per year. Over a ten-year period, Oregon
4 customers may be required to absorb up to an additional \$23.4 million in
5 overhead costs depending on the timing of PacifiCorp general rate cases.

6 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR CONCERN OVER A POSSIBLE DUPLICATION**
7 **OF SERVICES.**

8 A. Because of the lack of specificity in the MEHC application, there is no
9 assurance that any or all of the services performed by MEC are not a
10 duplication of services that are projected to be provided by MEHC, or that
11 PacifiCorp does not already undertake these services on its own behalf.

12 **Q. DOES MEHC EXPLAIN WHY PACIFICORP NEEDS MEC TO PROVIDE**
13 **BUDGETING AND FORECASTING, HUMAN RESOURCES, AND TAX**
14 **COMPLIANCE SERVICES?**

15 A. No. Although MEHC states that these services would be provided by MEC for
16 MEHC; MEHC does not explain why PacifiCorp is not capable of performing
17 these services to MEHC. MEHC does state that PacifiCorp will be a separate
18 business platform:

19 "with its own business plan, its own management, its own
20 state policies, and responsibility for making decisions that
21 achieve the objectives identified in the testimony of MEHC
22 witness Abel (i.e., customer satisfaction, reliable service,
23 employee safety, environmental stewardship, and regulatory/
24 legislative credibility)."²⁰
25

²⁰ UM 1209, Joint Application, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, page 16.

1 MEHC also states in its application that, “MEHC plans to operate PacifiCorp
2 much as it is operated today.”²¹ It is also interesting to note that PacifiCorp has
3 experienced staff that currently performs budgeting and forecasting, human
4 resources, and tax compliance under the ScottishPower umbrella. So if MEHC
5 plans to operate PacifiCorp much as it operates today, PacifiCorp could
6 perform these functions for MEHC.

7 **Q. IF MEC PERFORMS THESE FUNCTIONS WILL PACIFICORP UNDERGO**
8 **A WORKFORCE REDUCTION IN THESE AREAS OR EXPERIENCE ANY**
9 **OTHER COST SAVINGS?**

10 A. Not according to responses to data requests. As previously mentioned,
11 PacifiCorp is not planning on any workforce reductions. PacifiCorp’s fiscal year
12 2005 full-time equivalent (FTE) count for these groups is 114.²² In addition,
13 PacifiCorp states that,

14 “MEC charges for the functions described are not expected
15 to result in cost savings for such functions at PacifiCorp.
16 MEC charges for budgeting and forecasting, human
17 resources, tax compliance, etc., are for coordination efforts
18 on behalf of MEHC.”²³
19

20 **Q. ARE PACIFICORP’S 114 FTE’S CAPABLE OF PERFORMING THESE**
21 **FUNCTIONS THAT MEC PLANS TO PROVIDE?**

22 A. Yes. In previous dealings with PacifiCorp, I have had a favorable impression of
23 the level of professionalism and knowledge of PacifiCorp administrative and
24 financial staff.

²¹ UM 1209, Joint Application, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, page 8.

²² PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 76.

²³ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 60.

1 **Q. HOW DO THE COSTS OF THESE SERVICES PROVIDED BY MEC**
2 **COMPARE TO SIMILAR SERVICES PROVIDED BY SCOTTISHPOWER?**

3 A. They are high compared to similar services provided by ScottishPower. The
4 following table, taken from information submitted in PacifiCorp's UI 221
5 application, breaks down shared services costs allocated to PacifiCorp:²⁴

6 **Table 2 – UI 221 Proposed and Proforma Costs of Tax and HR Services**

Service	UI 221 Unadjusted Cost	Proforma Cost*
Group Tax	\$467,176	\$233,588
Human Resources ²⁵	\$1,633,760	\$816,880
Budgeting ²⁶	Not specified	Not specified
Forecasting ²⁷	Not specified	Not specified
Total	\$2,100,936	\$1,050,468

7 * = Assumes same level of adjustment as cross charge in UE 170
8

9 The MEC proposed cost is \$3.65 million, which is a 74 percent increase from
10 the \$2.1 million in costs outlined in PacifiCorp's UI 221 Application. It is also
11 interesting to note the ScottishPower costs were based on the original
12 projected total cross-charge of \$24 million.²⁸ This level of cost was never
13 achieved since PacifiCorp submitted a cost of \$15.66 million in UE 170, which
14 Staff reduced to \$11.7 million. Staff's UE 170 analysis of ScottishPower cross-
15 charges is approximately one-half of the projected cross-charge reported in

²⁴ UI 221, Application of PacifiCorp, dated October 1, 2003, Exhibit No. 3.

²⁵ Per the UI 221 Application, Human Resources include HR Safety, HR Management, HR Employee Relations, HR Management Development, HR Health & Safety Director, and Compensation and Benefits.

²⁶ ScottishPower provides Performance Management & Control services that include a budget component. However, Staff did not include these costs because the description of services under Performance Management & Control more closely aligns itself to services proposed to be performed by MEHC; and PacifiCorp's current budgeting process as detailed in Staff Audit Report of PacifiCorp, Audit Number 2004-002, dated December 1, 2004, is basically performed as an internal process.

²⁷ ScottishPower provides Strategic Planning services that include a forecasting component; however, this is a service that more closely aligns itself to services proposed to be performed by MEHC.

²⁸ UI 221, Application of PacifiCorp, dated October 1, 2003, page 7.

1 UI 221. If this direct proportion of one-half is applied to the projected Group
2 Tax and Human Resources cost of \$2.1 million, the pro forma costs to
3 customers in UE 170 for these services would be approximately \$1.05 million.
4 As a result, the MEC charges would be 248 percent higher than similar services
5 currently being provided by ScottishPower. It is also interesting to note that
6 PacifiCorp's Human Resources, Information Technology Support, and Energy
7 Risk Management groups were so highly respected by ScottishPower that
8 these groups were projected in UI 221 to provide up to \$2 million of services a
9 year to ScottishPower and affiliates. As previously mentioned, PacifiCorp
10 charged ScottishPower \$2.9 million in fiscal year 2005 and \$720 thousand in
11 fiscal year 2004 for these services.

12 **Q. SHOULD PACIFICORP CUSTOMERS BE LIABLE FOR THE ADDITIONAL**
13 **COST OF HAVING MEC PERFORM SERVICES THAT PACIFICORP HAS**
14 **THE STAFF AND KNOWLEDGE TO CONDUCT INTERNALLY?**

15 A. No. If MEHC prefers to have MEC perform these services that is a corporate
16 decision. However, PacifiCorp customers should not bear an increase in costs.

17 **Q. SO BASICALLY YOU ARE LOOKING AT TWO COST SCENARIOS**
18 **REGARDING CROSS-CHARGES?**

19 A. Yes, Staff Exhibit/202, page 1, only looks at the comparison of MEHC
20 corporate charges to the ScottishPower net cross-charge. This comparison
21 results in a cost to Oregon customers of approximately \$57 thousand per year,
22 which equals approximately \$572 thousand over the ten-year period.

1 Staff Exhibit/202, page 2, examines all potential costs to Oregon customers
2 including increased allocation of the management fee and increased
3 absorption of administrative and general costs that PacifiCorp will no longer
4 receive annual payments from affiliates. This analysis results in a cost to
5 Oregon customers of approximately \$2.84 million per year, which equals
6 approximately \$28.43 million over the ten-year period.

7 **Q. PLEASE PROVIDE IN A TABLE SEQUENCE, COSTS AND SAVINGS TO**
8 **OREGON CUSTOMERS STARTING WITH THE MEHC STATED**
9 **SAVINGS?**

10 A. Yes, I will. The following table sequence shows the savings and/or costs
11 (including the ten-year Net Present Value (NPV)²⁹ of the costs) to Oregon
12 customers based on the various scenarios. The sequence starts with MEHC's
13 stated savings and runs through all the different scenarios.

14 MEHC's proposed savings to Oregon customers taken from Direct Testimony:

15 **Table 3 – MEHC Calculated Savings**

Row		System	Oregon
1	ScottishPower Net Cross-charge	\$15,000,000	\$4,416,930
2	MEHC Capped Charges	\$9,000,000	\$2,650,158
3	Annual Savings to PacifiCorp (Row 1 minus Row 2)	\$6,000,000	\$1,766,772
4	Ten-year Savings (Row 3 multiplied by 10 years)	\$60,000,000	\$17,667,720
5	NPV of 10-Year Savings	\$47,243,739	\$13,911,486

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²⁹ The Net Present Value calculation evaluates a set of costs and benefits over time in order to account for the time value of money. Staff used a ten-year time period that was based on MEHC long-term investment strategy stated in testimony. Staff set the discount rate to the 10-Year Treasury Note Yield, which was 4.60 percent on November 10, 2005, for the NPV calculations.

1 Staff's calculated costs to Oregon customers based on actual ScottishPower
2 net cross-charge:

3 **Table 4 – Staff Calculated Costs**

Row		System	Oregon
1	ScottishPower Net Cross-charge	\$8,805,632	\$2,592,924
2	MEHC Capped Charges	\$9,000,000	\$2,650,158
3	Annual Costs to PacifiCorp (Row 1 minus Row 2)	\$194,368	\$57,234
4	Ten-year Costs (Row 3 multiplied by 10 years)	\$1,943,680	\$572,340
5	NPV of 10-Year Cost	\$1,530,445	\$450,658

4 Staff's calculated costs to Oregon customers based on actual ScottishPower
5 net cross-charge, increase in management fee, and increase in A&G costs:

7 **Table 5 – Staff's Calculated "Total Costs"**

Row		System	Oregon
1	ScottishPower Net Cross-charge	\$8,805,632	\$2,592,924
2	MEHC Capped Charges	\$9,000,000	\$2,650,158
3	Additional Costs to PacifiCorp (Row 1 minus Row 2)	\$194,368	\$57,234
4	Increased Management Fee	\$1,531,485	\$450,964
5	Increase A&G Costs	\$7,930,665	\$2,335,279
6	Annual Costs (Row 3 plus Rows 4 and 5)	\$9,656,518	\$2,843,477
7	Ten-year Costs (Row 6 multiplied by 10 years)	\$96,565,180	\$28,434,770
8	NPV of 10-Year Cost	\$76,035,013	\$22,389,422

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9 **Q. SO YOUR ANALYSIS INDICATES THERE IS A POTENTIAL HARM TO**
10 **OREGON CUSTOMERS CONCERNING CORPORATE OVERHEAD**
11 **CHARGES?**

1 A. Yes. The transaction, because of potential cost increases in corporate
2 overhead, will result in harm to Oregon customers. Clearly there is no
3 projected or guaranteed benefit.

4 **Q. IN ADDITION TO CORPORATE OVERHEAD COST INCREASES, ARE**
5 **THERE OTHER POTENTIAL ADMINISTRATIVE & GENERAL COST**
6 **INCREASES THAT MAY OCCUR AS A RESULT OF THE**
7 **TRANSACTION?**

8 A. Yes.

9 **Q. WHAT ARE THESE POTENTIAL COSTS?**

10 A. There are three main areas of concern: (1) Transaction costs, (2) Insurance
11 costs, and (3) Acquisition premium.

12 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR TRANSACTION COSTS CONCERN.**

13 A. MEHC does include a specific commitment concerning transaction costs. In
14 addition, PacifiCorp states:

15 "Transaction costs will either be recorded in below-the-line
16 accounts or will be billed to and paid by ScottishPower."³⁰

17
18 In a response to a Staff data request, MEHC also states that estimated
19 transaction costs are approximately \$3 - \$5 million.³¹ However, as part of the
20 transaction, PacifiCorp is recording transition, integration, and segregation
21 costs in utility accounts. These costs totaled \$180 thousand as of August 15,
22 2005.³²

³⁰ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 61.

³¹ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 63.

³² PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 62.

1 **Q. WHAT ARE THESE TRANSITION, INTEGRATION, AND SEGREGATION**
2 **COSTS?**

3 A. According to PacifiCorp's response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request
4 No. 98, transition costs are costs associated with information flow between
5 MEHC and PacifiCorp prior to the transaction closing. Integration costs include
6 costs associated with determining how PacifiCorp will operate effectively with
7 MEHC after the transaction closes. Separation costs include costs necessary
8 to effectively separate PacifiCorp from ScottishPower, its holding structure, and
9 its affiliates.³³

10 **Q. BECAUSE THESE COSTS ARE INTEGRAL TO THE TRANSACTION,**
11 **SHOULD THESE COSTS ALSO BE RECORDED IN NON-UTILITY**
12 **ACCOUNTS AND NOT CHARGED TO PACIFICORP?**

13 A. Yes. Absent the transaction, customers would not have to bear the burden of
14 these costs. Because these costs are integral to the transaction itself, these
15 costs should be transferred to non-utility accounts.

16 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A CHANGE TO MEHC'S PROPOSED COMMITMENT**
17 **CONCERNING TRANSACTION COSTS?**

18 A. Yes. Because these costs are being booked in utility accounts when they
19 should be recorded in non-utility accounts, MEHC and PacifiCorp should
20 modify Commitment No. 16, to state:

21 "PacifiCorp and MEHC will exclude all costs **including**
22 **transition, integration, and separation costs** of the
23 transaction from PacifiCorp's utility accounts. Within 90
24 days following completion of the transaction, MEHC will

³³ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 98.

1 provide a preliminary accounting of these costs. Further,
2 MEHC will provide the Commission with a final accounting of
3 these costs within 30 days of the accounting close.”
4

5 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR CONCERNS REGARDING INSURANCE**
6 **COSTS.**

7 A. In Commission Order No. 04-737, dated December 10, 2004, (UI 233) and
8 Commission Order No. 05-146, dated March 3, 2005 (UI 233(1)), the
9 Commission authorized PacifiCorp to engage in business transactions with an
10 affiliate, Dornoch International Limited (Dornoch), to secure property damage,
11 overhead line property damage, and liability insurance. The insurance
12 coverage by Dornoch does not replace third-party insurance, but is a
13 “Deductible Buy-down” type policy that is designed to lower PacifiCorp’s self-
14 insurance losses. Premiums paid to Dornoch replace customer contributions
15 for deductible/self-insurance and do not result in additional costs to customers.
16 If this transaction is approved, PacifiCorp will no longer be able to secure this
17 “captive” insurance arrangement. As a result, customers may be exposed to
18 higher premium and deductible/self-insurance costs.

19 **Q. HAVE YOU, PACIFICORP, OR MEHC BEEN ABLE TO QUANTIFY ANY**
20 **CHANGES IN INSURANCE COSTS AS A RESULT OF THE**
21 **TRANSACTION?**

22 A. Yes. In a response to a Staff Data Request, PacifiCorp states that
23 replacement coverage for the property and liability deductible buy-down
24 premiums can be replaced at a higher cost. According to PacifiCorp:

1 "PacifiCorp obtained indicative quotes from the commercial
2 market for replacement insurance and found them to be
3 above the levels of premiums charged by the captive."³⁴
4

5 In addition, PacifiCorp was not able to find any insurer willing to provide cover
6 for overhead line property insurance. In UI 233, Staff's analysis indicated that
7 the primary cost benefit of using Dornoch was for overhead line insurance.

8 Based on a three-year analysis, the average savings that resulted from using
9 Dornoch for overhead line insurance was \$2.93 million (system-allocated) per
10 year. This loss of this savings plus the added costs of premiums could
11 possibly result in a \$4.3 million system-allocated, \$1.27 million, Oregon-
12 allocated, increase in annual insurance costs.

13 **Q. PREVIOUSLY YOU PROVIDED TABLES ON THE COSTS OF THE**
14 **DIFFERENT SCENARIOS CONCERNING OVERHEAD CHARGES. CAN**
15 **YOU PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY TABLE THAT SHOWS**
16 **OVERHEAD COSTS FOR EACH SCENARIO THAT INCLUDES THE**
17 **EFFECT OF POTENTIAL INSURANCE COSTS?**

18 A. Yes. The following table, using NPV for a ten-year period, highlights the
19 possible cost effects of the loss of PacifiCorp's captive insurer. Staff's analysis
20 in UI 233 examined costs/savings over a five-year period.³⁵ As a result, I only
21 included five years of potential increased insurance costs when calculating the
22 ten-year NPV. Exhibit Staff/202; Dougherty/3, illustrates the annual insurance
23 affect. At year six, I remove the insurance cost effect. At this point (years six

³⁴ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 45.

³⁵ For Overhead Line Property insurance, Staff was only able to examine three years of data since overhead line coverage was only unavailable for three years at the time of Staff's analysis.

1 through ten), the NPV is calculated using only the savings/costs of corporate
2 overhead charges.

3 **Table 6 – Possible Effect of Loss of Captive Insurer (10-Year NPV Oregon-**
4 **Allocated)**

Scenario	Savings/Costs	Add Insurance Cost Effect
MEHC Stated <u>Savings</u> (Table 3)	\$13,911,486 Savings	\$8,363,192 Savings
Staff's Calculated Net Cross-charge <u>Costs</u> (Table 4)	\$450,658 Cost	\$5,998,592 Cost
Staff's Calculated "Total <u>Costs</u> " (Table 5)	\$22,389,422 Cost	\$27,937,716 Cost

5
6 **Q. SO THE ABOVE TABLE INDICATES THAT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF**
7 **THE MEHC STATED SAVINGS, COSTS TO OREGON CUSTOMERS WILL**
8 **INCREASE AS A RESULT OF THIS APPLICATION?**

9 A. Yes, based on the actual net cross-charge, increases in the management fee
10 absorbed by customers, loss of cost offsets due to the loss of affiliates, and
11 possible increase in insurance costs, the ten-year NPV of costs to Oregon
12 customers is \$27.94 million. Clearly there is no projected or guaranteed
13 benefit.

14 **Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN YOUR CONCERNS REGARDING THE ACQUISITION**
15 **PREMIUM.**

16 A. MEHC's application includes the following Commitment:

17 "The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded
18 in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the
19 utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not
20 propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp's
21 regulated retail rates; provided, however, that if the

1 Commission in a rate order issued subsequent to the closing
2 of the transaction reduces PacifiCorp's retail revenue
3 requirement through the imputation of benefits (other than
4 those benefits committed to in this transaction) accruing from
5 the acquisition company (PPW Holdings LLC), Berkshire
6 Hathaway, or MEHC, MEHC and PacifiCorp will have the
7 right to propose upon rehearing and in subsequent cases a
8 symmetrical adjustment to recognize the acquisition
9 premium in retail revenue requirement."³⁶

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11 An acquisition premium is the difference between the actual cost for acquiring a
12 target firm versus the estimate made of its value before the acquisition.³⁷ So
13 essentially, MEHC is protecting itself by proposing to offset any benefits to
14 customers that may arise through Commission action in a rate case with the
15 acquisition premium. As a result, any proposal to recover the acquisition
16 premium in rates would harm Oregon customers, because customers would not
17 experience the benefit they would have otherwise received. This is especially
18 true if the savings proposed by MEHC do not reflect increased costs in other
19 areas of PacifiCorp's operations. IF MEHC prefers to pay an acquisition
20 premium that is a corporate decision. However, under any circumstances, this
21 premium should be 100 percent allocated to shareholders, and not to
22 customers.

23 **Q. HOW HAS THE COMMISSION TREATED ACQUISITION PREMIUMS IN**
24 **RECENT FILINGS?**

25 A. Past Commission practice has been to exclude any acquisition premiums from
26 recovery in rates that result from system mergers or acquisitions. Therefore
27 acquisition adjustments must be clearly separated from the original cost values

³⁶ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, PPL/400; Goodman/15.

³⁷ Investopedia.com

1 attributable to PacifiCorp's regulatory assets and excluded from either future
2 request for rate recovery, earnings review, or results of operation. Additionally,
3 in UM 1121, Oregon Electric Utility Company (OEUC) offered a rate credit that
4 would be offset with any cost savings found in future rate cases. The
5 Commission in Order No. 05-114, established that the rate credit with an offset
6 resulted in a minimal benefit to customers.³⁸ The Commission goes on to
7 state:

8 "The required offset and no identified basis make it difficult to
9 determine whether customers will receive anything of value
10 as a result of this transition."³⁹

11
12 It is clear that if an offset to rate credit offers minimal benefit, an acquisition
13 premium that is used solely to offset cost savings offers no benefits to
14 customers and actually results in harm to customers.

15 **Q. DO YOU HAVE A REVISED COMMITMENT CONCERNING THE**
16 **ACQUISITION PREMIUM?**

17 A. Yes. The commitment should be revised to the following:

18 "The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded
19 in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the
20 utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not
21 propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp's
22 regulated retail rates."

23
24 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY CONCERNING**
25 **CORPORATE OVERHEAD COSTS?**

26 A. Yes.

³⁸ UM 1121, Commission Order No. 05-114, page 30.

³⁹ *Ibid.*

ISSUE 2, INTERCOMPANY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT/COST**ALLOCATIONS/ AFFILIATED INTERESTS****Q. HAS MEHC OR PACIFICORP SUBMITTED A DRAFT INTERCOMPANY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT (IASA)?**

A. No. MEHC provided a copy of its existing IASA that is being used for MEHC and MEC in other state jurisdictions. According to MEHC, this agreement will eventually include PacifiCorp.⁴⁰

Q. DOES MEHC STATE A DATE THAT THE IASA WILL BE COMPLETED?

A. No; however, MEHC and PacifiCorp should add the following statement to MEHC Commitment No. 13:

“Within 60 days of receiving all necessary state and federal regulatory approvals, PacifiCorp and MEHC shall file with the Commission a proposed Intercompany Administrative Services Agreement (IASA).”

Q. PLEASE REVIEW THE METHOD MEHC WILL USE TO CHARGE SHARED SERVICES COSTS.

A. MEHC will bill PacifiCorp for both direct costs and indirect costs at a fully loaded actual cost. Fully loaded cost for labor includes benefits, paid time-off, incentives, and pay-roll taxes. Non-labor costs will be directly billed or allocated at actual amounts incurred by MEHC and MEC. There will be no mark-up for profit.⁴¹

Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS.

⁴⁰ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, PPL/500; Specketer/5.

⁴¹ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, PPL/500; Specketer/6.

1 A. Direct costs arise from providing services that are specifically attributable to
2 PacifiCorp. This would include material and labor that can be directly tied to a
3 specific service being provided to PacifiCorp. Indirect costs are a cost item
4 that cannot be identified specifically with a single cost objective and would be
5 allocated to PacifiCorp on a two-factor formula comprised of assets and
6 payroll, each weighed equally.

7 **Q. HOW DOES THE TWO-FACTOR FORMULA COMPARE TO THE THREE-**
8 **FACTOR FORMULA THAT PACIFICORP USES TO ALLOCATE COSTS**
9 **TO ITS SUBSIDIARIES?**

10 A. PacifiCorp's current three-factor formula is comprised of revenue, assets, and
11 payroll, each weighed equally. MEHC's two-factor formula is comprised of
12 assets and payroll and does not include revenues. If PacifiCorp's current
13 three-factor formula were applied post transaction, instead of MEHC's
14 proposed two-factor formula, shared services cost allocations would decrease
15 by approximately \$314 thousand, system-wide (\$92 thousand, Oregon-
16 allocated), on an annual basis.⁴²

17 **Q. IS THE THREE-FACTOR FORMULA THE APPROPRIATE COST**
18 **ALLOCATION FOR ESTABLISHING RATES?**

19 A. Yes, the three-factor formula should be used. The two-factor formula will
20 normally result in an increased allocation for PacifiCorp because it is an asset
21 intensive entity with a large payroll. It is interesting to note that PacifiCorp in its
22 UI 221 application noted that an allocation based solely on assets would

⁴² PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 65.

1 distribute significant costs to a fixed asset utility.⁴³ This reasoning carries over
2 to a utility that also has a large payroll. MEHC does acknowledge that the
3 Commission will need to determine, for ratemaking purposes, the appropriate
4 corporate cost allocation method during a general rate case.⁴⁴

5 **Q. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT MEHC'S REGULATORY OVERSIGHT**
6 **COMMITMENT 14(F) SHOULD BE REVISED?**

7 A. Yes. The Commitment should state:

8 "The [Any] corporate cost allocation methodology used for
9 rate-setting[,] **should be based on the current PacifiCorp**
10 **three-factor formula.** A[and a]ny subsequent changes
11 thereto, will be submitted to the Commission for approval if
12 required by law or rule."
13

14 **Q. HAS MEHC PROVIDED AN ESTIMATE ON PERCENTAGES OF SHARED**
15 **SERVICES THAT WILL BE DIRECTLY ALLOCATED AND INDIRECTLY**
16 **ALLOCATED?**

17 A. According to MEHC, approximately 70 percent of the MEHC/MEC costs will be
18 directly charged and the remaining 30 percent will be allocated.⁴⁵ These
19 percentages are based on historical data.

20 **Q. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A REASONABLE BREAKDOWN**
21 **BETWEEN DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS?**

22 A. Yes.

23 **Q. ARE THERE ANY OTHER AFFILIATES OF MEHC THAT PACIFICORP**
24 **CURRENTLY CONDUCTS BUSINESS WITH?**

⁴³ UI 221, Application of PacifiCorp, dated October 1, 2003, page 5.

⁴⁴ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, PPL/500; Specketer/8.

⁴⁵ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 80.

1 A. Yes. PacifiCorp currently has two contracts with Kern River Gas Transmission
2 that have an associated Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) tariff.
3 Because there is a FERC approved tariff, PacifiCorp does not need
4 Commission approval of these contracts pursuant to Oregon Administrative
5 Rule (OAR) 860-027-0040(3)(b). PacifiCorp also has two active agreements
6 with Intermountain Geothermal Company, which is a subsidiary of CalEnergy.⁴⁶
7 According to PacifiCorp, PacifiCorp will commit to file the two agreements with
8 Intermountain Geothermal Company with the Commission within 90 days
9 following the closing of the UM 1209 transaction.⁴⁷

10 **Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE**
11 **ACTIVITIES OF MEHC'S SUBSIDIARIES?**

12 A. Yes. FERC issued a news release on September 29, 2005, that outlines three
13 areas of non-compliance concerning transactions between MEC and MEC's
14 wholesale merchant function. In addition to agreeing to invest \$23.9 million in
15 transmission upgrades, MEC was required to develop a compliance plan to
16 ensure MEC remains compliant on a perspective basis with its open access
17 transmission tariff, standards of conduct, and OASIS requirements. Although
18 this non-compliance does not involve PacifiCorp, it reinforces the necessity of
19 ensuring MEHC abides by the Commission's affiliated interest statutes and
20 rules.

21 **Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY MODIFICATIONS TO MEHC'S COMMITMENTS**
22 **CONCERNING AFFILIATED INTERESTS?**

⁴⁶ CalEnergy is a subsidiary of MEHC.

⁴⁷ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 90.

1 A. Yes. I have modified or deleted several of MEHC's commitments. I discuss
2 these changes, which are based on current Commission statutes and rules
3 concerning affiliated interests, later in my testimony.

4 **Q. WITH THE REPEAL OF PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF**
5 **1935 (PUHCA), DOES THE COMMISSION HAVE ADEQUATE STATUTES**
6 **AND RULES TO PROTECT AGAINST AFFILIATED INTERESTS ABUSES.**

7 A. Yes. The following statutes and rules apply:

- 8 1. Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 757.015 defines affiliated interests in a clear
9 and concise manner.
- 10 2. ORS 757.490 and ORS 757.495 describe the approval requirements
11 necessary to conduct affiliated interest transactions.
- 12 3. Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 860-027-0040 outlines the necessary
13 information for an affiliated interest application.
- 14 4. OAR 860-027-0041 describes the information required by a utility when it is
15 providing services or goods to an affiliate.
- 16 5. OAR 860-027-0042 outlines the timeliness requirement of affiliated interest
17 applications.
- 18 6. OAR 860-027-0045 establishes the requirements for energy utilities to use
19 the Uniform Systems of Accounts.
- 20 7. OAR 860-027-0048 describes the Commission's transfer pricing policy and
21 requirement of a utility to file a cost allocation manual. This rule essentially
22 requires that any assets, supplies, or services being received from an
23 affiliate be charged at the lower of cost or market or at the tariffed rate. A

1 utility providing assets, supplies or services to an affiliate would do so at a
2 tariffed rate or at the higher of cost or market. Because of the lower of cost
3 or market standard, the Commission's transfer pricing policy is basically
4 more protective than the SEC "cost" standard under PUHCA.

5 8. OAR 860-027-0100 requires utilities to file annual affiliated interest reports
6 with the Commission based on a format previously provided by Staff.

7 9. In addition, ORS 756.070 through ORS 756.200 outline the Commission's
8 investigatory powers, enforcement, and remedies that can be utilized to
9 ensure MEHC and PacifiCorp comply with the Commission's statutes and
10 rules regarding affiliated interests.

11 **Q. WHAT ELSE HAS THE COMMISSION DONE TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE**
12 **WITH STATUTES, RULES, AND COMMISSION CONDITIONS?**

13 A. The Commission has re-initiated an audit function that has conducted
14 approximately thirty audits in the past three years, including an audit that
15 examined payments between PGE and Enron. These audits included thorough
16 examinations of a utility's books and records. As a result of previous audits,
17 and Commission statutes and rules, I have confidence that Commission Staff
18 would be able to adequately review all information concerning transactions
19 between PacifiCorp and MEHC and MEHC affiliates.

20 **Q. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY EXPOSURE WITH SEC STAFF**
21 **CONCERNING PUHCA ACTIVITIES?**

22 A. Yes. I was invited to participate in an examination of the ScottishPower plc
23 System under Sections 13 and 15 of PUHCA. The examination occurred in the

1 first and second quarters of 2004. As part of the review, the SEC closely
2 examined the operation of the ScottishPower System including managerial
3 directives, transactions with affiliates, intercompany loans, intercompany
4 accounts, interstate jurisdictional allocations, allocations between PacifiCorp
5 and affiliates, as well as other facets of PacifiCorp's operation including bonus
6 and stock compensation, lobbying costs, billing processes, cash management,
7 and charges to specific accounts.

8 **Q. DID THE RESULTS OF THE EXAMINATION DEMONSTRATE ANY**
9 **INHERENT WEAKNESS OR GAPS IN THE COMMISSION STATUTES**
10 **AND RULES CONCERNING AFFILIATED INTERESTS?**

11 A. No. PacifiCorp provided me with responses to fifty-six SEC data requests. I
12 reviewed and compared the responses to information previously provided by
13 PacifiCorp to the OPUC concerning affiliated interest transactions and
14 allocations. I did not observe any inconsistencies between the information
15 PacifiCorp provided the SEC, and information that I previously received from
16 PacifiCorp. Additionally, I did not observe any information that I would not
17 have been able to obtain based on Commission statutes and rules. Many of
18 the requests by the SEC were detailed and concise, and I used the SEC data
19 request language during PacifiCorp's UE 170 general rate case, which resulted
20 in significant reductions in non-labor administrative and general expenses and
21 incentive expenses.

1 **Q. DO YOU HAVE CONCERNS THAT BECAUSE OF THE PUHCA REPEAL**
2 **THAT THE COMMISSION WILL NOT HAVE ACCESS TO PACIFICORP'S**
3 **AND MEHC'S BOOKS AND RECORDS?**

4 A. No. Although the repeal of PUHCA removes some protections, PacifiCorp and
5 MEHC still have to comply with:

- 6 1. Commission statutes and rules;
- 7 2. Commission conditions imposed on this transaction and other
8 Commission orders affecting PacifiCorp;
- 9 3. New FERC authority resulting from the EPOA 2005;
- 10 4. Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP);
- 11 5. SEC reporting requirements such as Forms 10-K, 10-Q, and 8-K's;
- 12 6. Annual FERC Form 1 Reports; and
- 13 7. Additional federal laws such as the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

14 Additionally, PacifiCorp will still have external auditors whose objective is to
15 examine a company's financial statements and to express an opinion on the
16 fairness of the financial statements in presenting financial position, results of
17 operations, and cash flows in conformity with GAAP. When reviewing the
18 financial statements of a company, the external auditor determines if the
19 financial statements meet the required criteria of fairness (free from material
20 errors), full disclosure, internal control, GAAP, and consistency of applying
21 accounting principles.

1 So in other words, there are adequate protections currently in place to ensure
2 transparency concerning transactions between PacifiCorp and MEHC and
3 affiliates is maintained if the application is approved.

4 **Q. DOES MEHC PROVIDE ANY COMMITMENTS CONCERNING**
5 **REGULATORY OVERSIGHT?**

6 A. Yes. MEHC adopts ScottishPower's prior commitments concerning regulatory
7 oversight and financial integrity. I have made various recommendations in this
8 testimony to change and/or elaborate on a few key commitments.

9 **Q. CAN YOU PLEASE LIST THE COMMITMENTS YOU HAVE PROPOSED**
10 **FOR DELETION AND MODIFICATION SHOWING THE CHANGES YOU**
11 **MADE?**

12 A. Yes. Deletions are listed first; modifications, which are reflected in bold and
13 strike-throughs, follow the deletions.

14 The deletions are proposed because the commitments as stated by MEHC
15 and PacifiCorp do not provide any benefits to customers. There is no added
16 value to customers by maintaining these commitments, especially because
17 many of these commitments are simply reiterations of current Commission
18 statutes and rules.

19 1). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 4 - Delete:

20 "MEHC and PacifiCorp will provide the Commission access
21 to all books of account, as well as all documents, data, and
22 records of their affiliated interests, which pertain to
23 transactions between PacifiCorp and its affiliated interests or
24 which are otherwise relevant to the business of PacifiCorp.
25 This commitment is also applicable to the books and records
26 of Berkshire Hathaway."

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2 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary due to investigatory powers
3 covered under ORS 756.070, ORS 756.075(1) and (2), ORS 756.090(1) and
4 (2), and ORS 756.115(4) and (5).

5 2). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 5 - Delete:

6 "MEHC, PacifiCorp and all affiliates will make their
7 employees, officers, directors, and agents available to testify
8 before the Commission to provide information relevant to
9 matters within the jurisdiction of the Commission."
10

11 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary due to investigatory powers
12 covered under ORS 756.070, ORS 756.075(2), and ORS 756.115.

13 3). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 6 - Delete:

14 "The Commission or its agents may audit the accounting
15 records of MEHC and its subsidiaries that are the bases for
16 charges to PacifiCorp, to determine the reasonableness of
17 allocation factors used by MEHC to assign costs to
18 PacifiCorp and amounts subject to allocation or direct
19 charges. MEHC agrees to cooperate fully with such
20 Commission audits."
21

22 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary due to investigatory powers
23 covered under ORS 756.070, ORS 756.075(1) and (2), and ORS 756.105(1).

24 4). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 7 – Delete

25 "MEHC and PacifiCorp will comply with all existing
26 Commission statutes and regulations regarding affiliated
27 interest transactions, including timely filing of applications
28 and reports."
29

30 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
31 ORS 756.040(2), ORS 756.060, ORS 756.062(1), ORS 757.015,
32 ORS 757.490, ORS 757.495, OAR 860-027-0040, OAR 860-027-0041,

1 OAR 860-027-0042, OAR 860-027-0045, OAR 860-027-0048, and
2 OAR 860-027-0100.

3 5). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 8 – Delete:

4 “PacifiCorp will file on an annual basis an affiliated interest
5 report including an organization chart, narrative description
6 of each affiliate, revenue for each affiliate and transactions
7 with each affiliate.”
8

9 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
10 ORS 756.105(1), OAR 860-027-0048, and OAR 860-027-0100.

11 6.) Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 9 – Delete:

12 “PacifiCorp and MEHC will not cross-subsidize between the
13 regulated and non-regulated businesses or between any
14 regulated businesses, and shall comply with Commission’s
15 then-existing practice with respect to such matters.”
16

17 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
18 ORS 757.015, ORS 757.490, ORS 757.495, OAR 860-027-0040, OAR 860-
19 027-0041, and OAR 860-027-0048.

20 7). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 10 – Delete:

21 “Due to PUHCA repeal, neither Berkshire Hathaway nor
22 MEHC will be registered public utility holding companies
23 under PUHCA. Thus, no waiver by Berkshire Hathaway or
24 MEHC of any defenses to which they may be entitled under
25 *Ohio Power Co. v. FERC*, 954 F.2d 779 (D.C. Cir.), *cert.*
26 *denied sub nom. Arcadia v. Ohio Power Co.*, 506 U.S. 981
27 (1992) (“*Ohio Power*”), is necessary to maintain the
28 Commission’s regulation of MEHC and PacifiCorp.
29 However, while PUHCA is in effect, Berkshire Hathaway and
30 MEHC waive such defenses.”
31

32 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary due to PUHCA Repeal.
33

1 8). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 12 – Delete:

2 “PacifiCorp or MEHC will notify the Commission subsequent
3 to MEHC’s board approval and as soon as practicable
4 following any public announcement of: (1) any acquisition of
5 a regulated or unregulated business representing 5 percent
6 or more of the capitalization of MEHC; or (2) the change in
7 effective control or acquisition of any material part or all of
8 PacifiCorp by any other firm, whether by merger,
9 combination, transfer of stock or assets.”

10 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
11
12 ORS 757.015 and ORS 757.511.

13 9). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 21 – Delete:

14 “Neither PacifiCorp nor its subsidiaries will without the
15 approval of the Commission, make loans or transfer funds
16 (other than dividends and payments pursuant to the
17 Intercompany Administrative Services Agreement) to MEHC
18 or its affiliates, or assume any obligation or liability as
19 guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise for MEHC or its
20 affiliates; provided that this condition will not prevent
21 PacifiCorp from assuming any obligation or liability on behalf
22 of a subsidiary of PacifiCorp. MEHC will not pledge any of
23 the assets of the business of PacifiCorp as backing for any
24 securities which MEHC or its affiliates, but excluding
25 PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries) may issue.”

26 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
27
28 ORS 757.015, ORS 757.440, ORS 757.490, ORS 757.495, OAR 860-027-
29 0035, OAR 860-027-0040, and OAR 860-027-0042.

30 10). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 39 – Delete:

31
32 ““MEHC commits that it will not charge PacifiCorp for the
33 corporate charges to PacifiCorp from MEHC will not exceed
34 \$9 million annually for a period of five years after the closing
35 on the proposed transaction. (In FY 2006, ScottishPower’s
36 net cross-charges to PacifiCorp are projected to be \$15
37 million.)”
38

1 Reason: Staff's analysis indicates that there is no savings, but a cost
2 resulting in corporate charges to PacifiCorp.

3 11). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. O3 – Delete:
4

5 "Affiliate Transactions: MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that
6 they will interpret Oregon Revised Statutes Section 757.015
7 and 757.495 to require Commission approval of any contract
8 between PacifiCorp and (i) any affiliate of MEHC or (ii) any
9 affiliate of Berkshire Hathaway. This shall include the
10 Intercompany Administrative Services Agreement (IASA);
11 after commission approval of the IASA, no further approval
12 of affiliate transactions which are subject to that agreement
13 shall be required. Commission approval shall not be
14 required for PacifiCorp to provide electric service to affiliates
15 of MEHC or Berkshire Hathaway under tariffs approved by
16 state or federal authorities."
17

18 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
19 ORS 757.015, ORS 757.490, ORS 757.495, OAR 860-027-0040, OAR 860-
20 027-0041, OAR 860-027-0042, and OAR 860-027-0048.

21 12). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. O5 – Delete:

22 "Subsidiaries: MEHC and PacifiCorp commit that they will
23 interpret Oregon Revised Statutes Section 757.480 to
24 require Commission approval of any transaction which
25 results in the creation of a new subsidiary of PacifiCorp."
26

27 Reason: The above commitment is not necessary as it is covered under
28 ORS 757.480. ORS 757.490, ORS 757.495, OAR 860-027-0020, OAR 860-
29 027-0040, OAR 860-027-0041, OAR 860-027-0048, and OAR 860-027-0100.

30 The following commitments have recommended modifications. These
31 modifications are proposed in order to clarify commitments or to restate the
32 commitment to ensure customers are not harmed by the commitment.
33

1 13). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 13 – Modify:

2 **“PacifiCorp and MEHC shall file a proposed**
3 **Intercompany Administrative Services Agreement**
4 **(IASA) with the Commission no later than 60 days after**
5 **Commission approval of this application, docket UM**
6 **1209. Within 360 days of receiving all necessary state and**
7 **federal regulatory approvals of the final corporate and**
8 **affiliate cost allocation methodology filing the**
9 **Intercompany Administrative Services Agreement**
10 **(IASA), a written document setting forth the final corporate**
11 **and affiliate cost methodology in the format developed by**
12 **Staff (and sent to utilities on December 3, 2004) will be**
13 **submitted to the Commission by PacifiCorp. On an on-**
14 **going basis pursuant to OAR 860-027-0048, Allocation of**
15 **Costs by an Energy Utility, the Commission will also be**
16 **notified of anticipated or mandated changes to the corporate**
17 **and affiliate cost allocation methodologies.”**

18
19 14). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 14 – Modify:

20 “Any proposed cost allocation methodology for the allocation
21 of corporate and affiliate investments, expenses, and
22 overheads, required by law or rule to be submitted to the
23 Commission for approval, will comply with the following
24 principles:

- 25 (a) For services rendered to PacifiCorp or each cost
26 category subject to allocation to PacifiCorp by MEHC
27 or any of its affiliates, MEHC must be able to
28 demonstrate that such service or cost category is
29 necessary to PacifiCorp for the performance of its
30 regulated operations, is not duplicative of services
31 already being performed within PacifiCorp, and is
32 reasonable and prudent.
- 33 (b) Cost allocations to PacifiCorp and its subsidiaries will
34 be based on generally accepted accounting
35 standards; that is, in general, direct costs will be
36 charged to specific subsidiaries whenever possible
37 and shared or indirect costs will be allocated based
38 upon the primary cost-driving factors.
- 39 (c) MEHC will have in place time reporting systems
40 adequate to support the allocation of costs of
41 executives and other relevant personnel to
42 PacifiCorp.

- 1 (d) An audit trail will be maintained such that all costs
2 subject to allocation can be specifically identified,
3 particularly with respect to their origin. In addition, the
4 audit trail must be adequately supported. Failure to
5 adequately support any allocated cost may result in
6 denial of its recovery in rates.
- 7 (e) Costs which would have been denied recovery in
8 rates had they been incurred by PacifiCorp regulated
9 operations will likewise be denied recovery whether
10 they are allocated directly or indirectly through
11 subsidiaries in the MEHC group.
- 12 (f) **The Any corporate cost allocation methodology used**
13 **for rate-setting, should be based on the current**
14 **PacifiCorp three-factor formula. And any**
15 **subsequent changes thereto, will be submitted to the**
16 **Commission for approval if required by law or rule.”**

17
18 15). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 16 – Modify:

19
20 “PacifiCorp and MEHC will exclude all costs **including**
21 **transition, integration, and separation costs** of the
22 transaction from PacifiCorp’s utility accounts. Within 90
23 days following completion of the transaction, MEHC will
24 provide a preliminary accounting of these costs Further,
25 MEHC will provide the Commission with a final accounting of
26 these costs within 30 days of the accounting close.”

27
28 16). Exhibit PPL/309, Commitment No. 17 – Modify:

29 “The premium paid by MEHC for PacifiCorp will be recorded
30 in the accounts of the acquisition company and not in the
31 utility accounts of PacifiCorp. MEHC and PacifiCorp will not
32 propose to recover the acquisition premium in PacifiCorp’s
33 regulated retail rates; ~~provided, however, that if the~~
34 ~~Commission in a rate order issued subsequent to the closing~~
35 ~~of the transaction reduces PacifiCorp’s retail revenue~~
36 ~~requirement through the imputation of benefits (other than~~
37 ~~those benefits committed to in this transaction) accruing from~~
38 ~~the acquisition company (PPW Holdings LLC), Berkshire~~
39 ~~Hathaway, or MEHC, MEHC and PacifiCorp will have the~~
40 ~~right to propose upon rehearing and in subsequent cases a~~
41 ~~symmetrical adjustment to recognize the acquisition~~
42 ~~premium in retail revenue requirement.”~~

43

1 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY CONCERNING THE IASA,**
2 **CORPORATE ALLOCATIONS, AND AFFILIATED INTERESTS?**

3 A. Yes.

4

ISSUE 3, MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY AND PACIFICORP'S**UTAH SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS****Q. WHAT IS THE UTAH SPECIFIC COMMITMENT THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT?**

A. MEHC included the following commitment:

"PacifiCorp and MEHC commit to increasing the number of corporate and senior management positions in Utah to better reflect the relative size of Utah's retail load compared to the retail loads of the other states. Positions to be examined will include, but not be limited to, engineering, purchasing, information technology, land rights, legal, commercial transactions and asset management."⁴⁸

Q. HAS MEHC PROPOSED ADDITIONAL COMMITMENTS CONCERNING CORPORATE PRESENCE?

A. Yes. Commitment No. 48 states:

"MEHC understands that having adequate staffing and representation in each state is not optional. We understand its importance to customers, to regulators and to states. MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to maintaining adequate staffing and presence in each state, consistent with the provision of reliable service and cost-effective operations."⁴⁹

Q. DOES MEHC INDICATE HOW MANY PERSONNEL MAY BE TRANSFERRED AND IF THE TRANSFERS WILL BE VOLUNTARY?

A. No. An *Oregonian* article speculates that:

"Employment at PacifiCorp's downtown Portland headquarters could drop by dozens, even hundreds of workers during the next several years as the utility gradually shifts some of its corporate jobs to offices in Salt Lake City.

⁴⁸ UM 1209, Direct Testimony and Exhibits, Exhibit PPL/101; Page 5 of 6; Abel.

⁴⁹ *Ibid.*

1 The precise count isn't known, utility officials emphasized.
2 But they say they are committed to moving more high-level
3 positions to Salt Lake City because Utah now accounts for
4 more customers and electricity revenue than any other state
5 in the utility's six-state territory."⁵⁰
6

7 **Q. HOW DOES MEHC RESPOND TO THIS ARTICLE?**

8 A. In a response to a Staff data request, MEHC states that the reporter took
9 comments of Mr. Abel out of context and was not a factual report. According to
10 MEHC, the impact of staffing changes to Oregon is dependent on facts
11 currently unknown at this time.⁵¹

12 **Q. PRIOR TO THE PROPOSED MEHC TRANSACTION, HAS PACIFICORP**
13 **PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED SHIFTING OF PERSONNEL TO UTAH?**

14 A. No. According to a PacifiCorp response to a Staff data request, PacifiCorp has
15 no documents discussing large-scale shifts of personnel from Portland to Salt
16 Lake City.⁵²

17 **Q. SO ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT KNOW HOW MANY PERSONNEL WILL BE**
18 **TRANSFERRED, WE DO KNOW THAT POSITIONS WILL BE, AT SOME**
19 **POINT, LOCATED IN UTAH.**

20 A. Yes. For positions not to be relocated to Utah, MEHC would have to violate its
21 commitment made to Utah. So although we do not know, at this stage, how
22 many PacifiCorp employees located in Oregon will be required to relocate, it is
23 safe to assume that some number will.

⁵⁰ The Oregonian, *PacifiCorp to Shift Staff to Utah*, September 7, 2005.

⁵¹ PacifiCorp response to UM 1209/PacifiCorp Staff Data Request No. 111.

⁵² *Ibid.*

1 **Q. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THE TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL IS IN THE**
2 **PUBLIC INTEREST OF OREGON GENERALLY?**

3 A. It is unclear. If and when employees are transferred, there will be a negative
4 impact on local and state tax revenue, purchasing power, and civic involvement
5 in Oregon. This negative impact may be offset somewhat through more
6 efficient operations at PacifiCorp.

7 **Q. WHAT IS THE MAGNITUDE OF THE PERSONNEL SHIFT?**

8 A. Total Non-farm Employment in Oregon for September 2005 was 1,660,900.⁵³
9 So the loss of 100 employees is only .006 percent of total Oregon employment.
10 Although this is an extremely small percentage, there is still a potential harm to
11 Oregon citizens as a whole because of the loss of local and state tax revenue,
12 purchasing power, and civic involvement in Oregon. According to PacifiCorp,
13 average total compensation for personnel located in Portland is \$85,945. The
14 average annual taxes paid per employee are \$637 for local taxes and \$6,132
15 for state taxes.⁵⁴

16 **Q. IF MEHC COMMITS TO INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CORPORATE**
17 **AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT POSITIONS IN UTAH, WHAT NET BENEFIT**
18 **DOES COMMITMENT NO. 48 PROVIDE TO OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

19 A. It is unclear that any benefit would be received from this commitment or if any
20 harm would be mitigated by this commitment. As previously mentioned, if any
21 Portland based employees are transferred to Utah, there will be a negative
22 impact on local and state tax revenue, purchasing power, and civic involvement

⁵³ Oregon Labor Market Information System, Employment Department of Oregon.

⁵⁴ UM 1209/PacifiCorp response to Staff Data Request No. 111.

1 in Oregon. The commitment does not include any benchmarks for adequate
2 staffing, and what MEHC perceives as adequate staffing may not be the same
3 level envisioned by Oregon customers. In the Staff Audit Report of PacifiCorp,
4 Audit Number 2004-002, dated December 1, 2004, Staff compared certain field
5 positions in Oregon to other states PacifiCorp operates in. Staff writes:

6 “the number of meter readers and meter technicians in
7 relation to the customer base in Oregon continues to be
8 lower than for all other states. Since 2002, these ratios
9 moved in line with that for all other states. This is not due to
10 an increase in the percentage of meter readers and meter
11 technicians relative to customer base in Oregon, but due to a
12 decrease in the ratio for all other states. However, the
13 percentage of service technicians to the customer base has
14 remained higher in Oregon relative to all other states.”⁵⁵

15
16 So without specific information on staffing and presence in each state, the
17 commitment is vague and not measurable.

18 **Q. SHOULD THIS COMMITMENT BE MAINTAINED EVEN THOUGH IT IS**
19 **NOT MEASURABLE?**

20 A. Yes. By maintaining this commitment, the Commission can refer back and hold
21 MEHC accountable to this commitment if future problems concerning Oregon
22 staffing occur. The following modification to the commitment is recommended:

23 “MEHC understands that having adequate staffing and
24 representation in each state is not optional. We understand
25 its importance to customers, to regulators and to states.
26 MEHC and PacifiCorp commit to maintaining adequate
27 staffing and presence in each state, consistent with the
28 provision of **safe and** reliable service and cost-effective
29 operations.”
30

⁵⁵ Staff Audit Report of PacifiCorp, Audit 2004-002, dated December 1, 2004, page 56.

1 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY CONCERNING MEHC AND**
2 **PACIFICORP'S NEW UTAH SPECIFIC COMMITMENT?**

3 A. Yes.

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WITNESS: Michael Dougherty

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 201

Witness Qualifications Statement

November 21, 2005

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

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TITLE: PROGRAM MANAGER, CORPORATE ANALYSIS AND WATER REGULATION

ADDRESS: 550 CAPITOL ST. NE, SALEM, OR 97310-1380

EDUCATION: Master of Science, Transportation Management, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey CA (1987)

Bachelor of Science, Biology and Physical Anthropology, City College of New York (1980)

EXPERIENCE: Employed with the Oregon Public Utility Commission as the Program Manager, Corporate Analysis and Water Regulation. Also serve as Lead Auditor for the Commission's Audit Program.

Performed a five-month job rotation as Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mineral Industries, March through August 2004.

Employed by the Oregon Employment Department as Manager - Budget, Communications, and Public Affairs from September 2000 to June 2002.

Employed by Sony Disc Manufacturing, Springfield, Oregon, as Manager - Manufacturing, Manager - Quality Assurance, and Supervisor - Mastering and Manufacturing from April 1995 to September 2000.

Retired as a Lieutenant Commander, United States Navy. Qualified naval engineer.

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Exhibit in Support of Testimony

November 21, 2005

UM 1209 Corporate Overhead Costs - Cross-Charge Only

Scottish Power

Cross charge to PacifiCorp (UE 170) **\$11,703,482**
FY 2005 Cross-Charge Scottish Power \$2,897,850

MEHC

Cross Charge (MEHC) **\$9,000,000**

Net Cross-Charge

\$8,805,632 **\$9,000,000**

Overhead costs to PacifiCorp - System

\$194,368 per year **\$1,943,680** over ten years

Oregon allocated

\$57,234 per year **\$572,340** over ten years

\$450,658 Ten-Year NPV

UM 1209 Corporate Overhead Costs - Total Potential Costs

Scottish Power		MEHC			
Cross charge to PacifiCorp (UE 170)	\$11,703,482	Cross Charge (MEHC)	\$9,000,000		
FY 2005 Cross-Charge Scottish Power	\$2,897,850				
Lost Service Payments: (2005 AI Report) ¹		Corporate Overhead Increase ²	\$1,531,485		
PacifiCorp Holdings	\$317,111				
PacifiCorp GHC	\$99,650				
PPM Energy (Net)	\$6,911,416				
Pacific Klamath Energy	\$178,416				
PacifiCorp Financial Services	\$147,260				
PacifiCorp Energy Canada	\$83,848				
Enstor Operating Company	<u>\$192,964</u>				
Total Lost Service Payments	\$7,930,665				
Total Costs to PacifiCorp	\$874,967		\$10,531,485		
Increase of overhead costs to PacifiCorp - System		\$9,656,518	per year,	\$96,565,180	over ten years
Oregon allocated		\$2,843,478	per year,	\$28,434,776	over ten years
1. Amounts do not include management fee.				\$22,389,422	Ten-Year NPV
2. PacifiCorp Fiscal Year 2006 Corporate group Cost per 2005 AI report		\$21,600,640			
FY 2006 (UE 170) Allocation electric operations =	92.76%	\$20,036,754	UE 170		
Post-MEHC Transaction Allocation =	99.85%	<u>\$21,568,239</u>	DR #53		
Cost Increase based on larger allocation to electric operations		\$1,531,485	per year,	\$7,657,427	over ten years
Oregon allocated		\$451,271	per year,	\$4,512,705	over ten years

NPV of Ten Year Annual Costs - Oregon Allocated

Staff/202
Dougherty/3

Scenario #2 - Total Potential Costs

Year	Annual Cost	Rate	4.60%
1	(\$2,843,478)		
2	(\$2,843,478)		
3	(\$2,843,478)		
4	(\$2,843,478)	10-Year NPV	(\$22,389,422)
5	(\$2,843,478)		
6	(\$2,843,478)		
7	(\$2,843,478)		
8	(\$2,843,478)		
9	(\$2,843,478)		
10	(\$2,843,478)		
10-Year Costs	(\$28,434,780)		

Add Insurance Effect

Year	Annual Cost	Rate	4.60%
1	(\$4,110,857)		
2	(\$4,110,857)		
3	(\$4,110,857)		
4	(\$4,110,857)	10-Year NPV	(\$27,937,716)
5	(\$4,110,857)		
6	(\$2,843,478)		
7	(\$2,843,478)		
8	(\$2,843,478)		
9	(\$2,843,478)		
10	(\$2,843,478)		
10-Year Costs	(\$34,771,675)		

Scenario #1 - Cross Charge Only

Year	Annual Cost	Rate	4.60%
1	(\$57,234)		
2	(\$57,234)		
3	(\$57,234)		
4	(\$57,234)	10-Year NPV	(\$450,658)
5	(\$57,234)		
6	(\$57,234)		
7	(\$57,234)		
8	(\$57,234)		
9	(\$57,234)		
10	(\$57,234)		
10-Year Costs	(\$572,340)		

Year	Annual Cost	Rate	4.60%
1	(\$1,324,613)		
2	(\$1,324,613)		
3	(\$1,324,613)		
4	(\$1,324,613)	10-Year NPV	(\$5,998,952)
5	(\$1,324,613)		
6	(\$57,234)		
7	(\$57,234)		
8	(\$57,234)		
9	(\$57,234)		
10	(\$57,234)		
10-Year Costs	(\$6,909,235)		

MEHC Proposed Savings

Year	Annual Savings	Rate	4.60%
1	\$1,766,772		
2	\$1,766,772		
3	\$1,766,772		
4	\$1,766,772	10-Year NPV	\$13,911,486
5	\$1,766,772		
6	\$1,766,772		
7	\$1,766,772		
8	\$1,766,772		
9	\$1,766,772		
10	\$1,766,772		
10-Year Savings	\$17,667,720		

Year	Annual Savings	Rate	4.60%
1	\$499,393		
2	\$499,393		
3	\$499,393		
4	\$499,393	10-Year NPV	\$8,363,192
5	\$499,393		
6	\$1,766,772		
7	\$1,766,772		
8	\$1,766,772		
9	\$1,766,772		
10	\$1,766,772		
10-Year Savings	\$11,330,825		

1. Estimated annual increase due to loss of Overhead line coverage and increase "Buy-down" premiums from third party insurer equals, \$1,267,369 Oregon-allocated per year (loss effect calculated for 5 years). (\$1,267,379)
2. Rate equals November 10 2005, 10-year treasury - 4.60%.

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OPUC Data Request 45

OPUC Data Request 45

If the captive insurance is terminated, has PacifiCorp analyzed the cost of replacement or substitute insurance? Please explain.

Response to OPUC Data Request 45

PacifiCorp obtained indicative quotes from the commercial market for replacement insurance and found them to be above the levels of premiums charged by the captive. Please refer to OPUC Data Request 46. MEHC believes that similar terms and conditions will be available subject to appropriate risk parameters

OPUC Data Request 53

Please explain the effect of the transaction on PacifiCorp's Corporate Allocation for Group Expenses.

- a. How will the transaction change the CY 2006 electric operation allocation of 92.74%?
- b. What will be the revised electric operation allocation?
- c. If the allocation is increased due to PPM not being in the calculation, wouldn't this actually result in an increase in corporate overhead? Please explain.
- d. What will be PacifiCorp's cost associated with an increase in the electric operation allocation?

Response to OPUC Data Request 53

- a. The CY 2006 electric operation allocation percentage will increase as a result of PPM & other affiliates remaining with ScottishPower following the closing of the transaction.
- b. The revised electric operation allocation is anticipated to be approximately 99.85%.
- c. It is not possible to respond definitively at this time. Depending upon whether and to what extent PacifiCorp's total internal corporate overhead costs are reduced, the actual level of such costs allocated to the regulated utility could either decrease or increase even though the percent of the total has increased. Such total overhead cost reductions could be associated with integration with MEHC and/or a reduction of service provisions to affiliates. The only remaining affiliate will be PacifiCorp Environmental Remediation Company (PERCo).
- d. PacifiCorp's Corporate Allocation for Group Expenses (internal management fee) associated with the change are unknown at this time. It is possible that some current services\costs under ScottishPower ownership will either be eliminated or need to be replaced by an alternate provider.

This allocation of PacifiCorp expenses does not include any ScottishPower Corporate Allocation for Group Expenses, which will decrease as outlined in the filed testimony.

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OPUC Data Request 60

OPUC Data Request 60

Will the \$3.7 million per year MEC charges to PacifiCorp for budgeting and forecasting, human resources, and tax compliance result in an off-setting reduction of \$3.7 million in PacifiCorp's corporate overhead costs since PacifiCorp currently performs these functions and employs numerous personnel involved in these functions? Why will PacifiCorp need these services as a separate business platform with its own management? Please explain.

Response to OPUC Data Request 60

No, MEC charges for the functions described are not expected to result in cost savings for such functions at PacifiCorp. MEC charges for budgeting and forecasting, human resources, tax compliance, etc., are for coordination efforts on behalf of MEHC.

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OPUC Data Request 61

OPUC Data Request 61

In what accounts will PacifiCorp record expenses (legal, accounting, administration, IT, other) associated with this transaction? Are any "above-the-line-accounts" (i.e. accounts 921922, 923, etc.) being used to record costs? Please explain.

Response to OPUC Data Request 61

Transition, integration and separation associated costs will be recorded in above-the-line A&G accounts such as 920, 921, 923 etc.

Transaction costs will either be recorded in below-the-line accounts or will be billed to and paid by ScottishPower.

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OPUC Data Request 62

OPUC Data Request 62

Please list PacifiCorp's costs to date for the transaction by cost category, and amount.

Response to OPUC Data Request 62

Please see Attachment OPUC 62 on the enclosed CD.

**Attachment OPUC 62
PacifiCorp Costs relating to MidAmerica at Aug 15, 2005**

FERC Acct	FERC Acct Descrip	SAP CE	SAP CE DESCRIP	\$
921	OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES	503115	On-Site Meals & Refr	134.45
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610005	Administration	19,884.16
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610032	PPW Officers & Execs	4,737.60
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610338	Manager	63,538.16
				88,294.37
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610032	PPW Officers & Execs	20,160.00
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610033	Executive Support	12,575.02
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610036	Property Services	18,392.00
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610104	Appl Development Srv	25,520.00
920	ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL SALARIES	610344	Director	15,912.00
				92,559.02

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OPUC Data Request 63

OPUC Data Request 63

What are PacifiCorp's anticipated costs (budget or otherwise) for this transaction?
How will PacifiCorp shield customers from the costs associated with this transaction?

Response to OPUC Data Request 63

PacifiCorp's transaction cost projection is based on what was incurred during the ScottishPower transaction and is estimated to be in the range of \$3-5m. It should be noted that transaction cost estimates can be materially impacted by the length of the transaction approval process. Transaction costs will be charged below the line and paid by shareholders.

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OPUC Data Request 65

Please provide a comparison of the projected Shared Services Costs to PacifiCorp between the proposed two-factor formula and the three-factor formula used by PacifiCorp for subsidiaries. Please use Exhibit PPL/502; Specketer for the cost comparison.

Response to OPUC Data Request 65

See Attachment OPUC 65 on the enclosed CD.

Attachment OPUC 65

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company
Projected Shared Services Costs to PacifiCorp
(000's)

<u>Description</u>	<u>ServCo</u>	<u>MEC</u>	<u>CalEnergy</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>As Filed (2-factor)</u>				
Salaries, benefits and bonuses	\$ 2,933	\$ 1,220	\$ 123	\$ 4,277
Other employee compensation	1,893	655	40	2,587
Outside services	453	715	-	1,168
Travel costs, incl. corporate aircraft	420	983	-	1,403
Other	51	80	-	131
Total	\$ 5,750	\$ 3,652	\$ 163	\$ 9,566
<u>PacifiCorp Approach (3-factor)</u>				
Salaries, benefits and bonuses	\$ 2,905	\$ 1,173	\$ 117	\$ 4,195
Other employee compensation	1,866	598	37	2,500
Outside services	399	639	-	1,038
Travel costs, incl. corporate aircraft	420	971	-	1,391
Other	51	77	0	127
Total	\$ 5,640	\$ 3,458	\$ 154	\$ 9,252

OPUC Data Request 74

Is PacifiCorp contemplating structuring an affiliate to undertake business activities of any Scottish Power affiliates after completion of the transaction? Please explain.

Response to OPUC Data Request 74

No. PacifiCorp has no current plans to structure an affiliate to undertake business activities of any Scottish Power affiliates.

OPUC Data Request 75

Is PacifiCorp contemplating structuring an affiliate or subsidiary to undertake any new business activities or business ventures not presently being performed by a current affiliate or subsidiary after completion of the transaction? Please explain.

Response to OPUC Data Request 75

No. PacifiCorp has no current plans to structure an affiliate or subsidiary to undertake any new business activities or business ventures not currently being performed by a current affiliate or subsidiary.

OPUC Data Request 76

As a follow-up to Staff Data Request No. 60, please provide Organization Charts for PacifiCorp's Budgeting, Forecasting, Human Resources, and Tax divisions. Please include total Full Time Equivalents (FTE's) for each division and fiscal year 2005 labor costs (include all loadings) for each division.

Response to OPUC Data Request 76

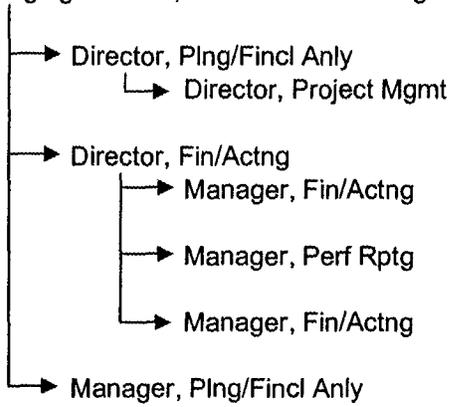
Please refer to Attachment OPUC 76 on the enclosed CD for the most recent available organizational charts of the Budget/Forecasting, Human Resources, Corporate Tax, and Operating Tax groups.

FY 2005 FTE counts and labor costs for the requested parts of the Company are as follows:

Organization	FTE's	FY05 Labor Costs
Budget/Forecasting	17	\$ 1,722,585
Human Resources	80	\$ 6,389,474
Corporate Tax	12	\$ 1,747,162
Operating Tax	5	\$ 359,585

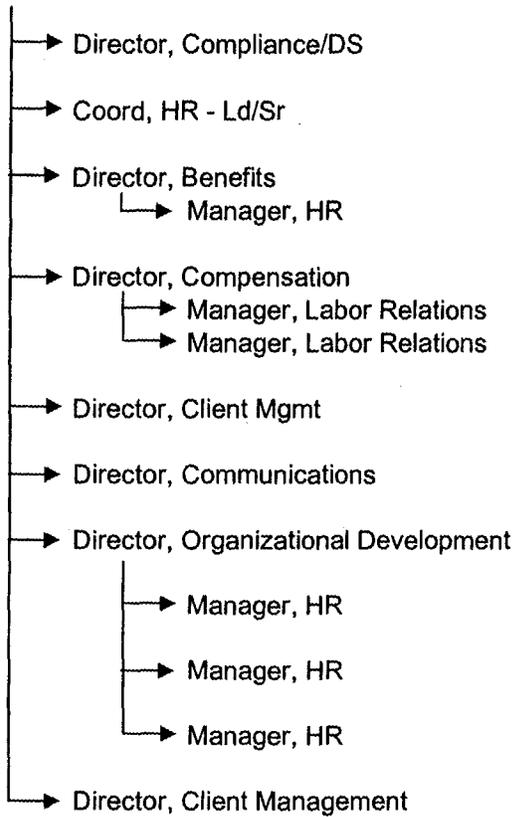
Attachment OPUC 76
Organization Chart - PacifiCorp Budgeting/Forecasting

Managing Director, Performance Management & Reporting

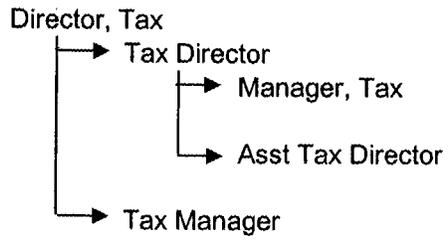


Attachment OPUC 76
Organization Chart - PacifiCorp Human Resources

Vice President, Human Resources



Attachment OPUC 76
Organization Chart - PacifiCorp Corporate Tax



Attachment OPUC 76
Organization Chart - PacifiCorp Operating Tax



OPUC Data Request 80

Based on historical data concerning the MEHC/MEC IASA, approximately what percentage of costs are direct charged and what percentage of costs are allocated per the two-factor formula? Please explain the analysis.

Response to OPUC Data Request 80

Costs reflected on Revised Exhibit 502 are based on MEHC's historical experience. The estimate is that approximately 70% of the MEHC/MEC costs reflected in Revised Exhibit 502 will be directly charged and the remainder allocated.

OPUC Data Request 90

As a follow-up to Staff Data Request No. 42, if the transaction is approved, in what time frame does PacifiCorp intend to file affiliated interest (AI) contracts for Commission approval for the Kern River Gas Transmission contracts No. 6017 and 3017, and CalEnergy Corporation for the geothermal steam source? Please explain.

PPW's Response to OPUC Data Request 90

PacifiCorp does not intend to file affiliated interest contracts for Commission approval for the Kern River Gas Transmission contracts Nos. 6017 and 3017 because it does not believe such approval is required under OAR 860-027-0040. Pursuant to OAR 860-027-0040(3)(b), utilities seeking to purchase a service provided under a rate or schedule of rates which has been filed with an agency charged with the regulation of utilities, has been approved as just and reasonable or in compliance with another comparable standard, and is available to a broad class of customers, do not need to seek approval from the Commission for the specific affiliated interest transaction. Kern River Gas Transmission Company is a FERC-regulated interstate gas pipeline company with gas transportation tariffs approved and on file with FERC and which tariffs are available to other customers. Kern River's FERC tariff is available on line at the following website: http://services.kernrivergas.com/services/postings/KRTariff/kr_tariff.aspx. As a result, PacifiCorp interprets this provision as not requiring Commission approval of such agreements. PacifiCorp will however, report any affiliated interest, intercompany and intracompany transactions in its annual report filed pursuant to OAR 860-027-0100.

With respect to the CalEnergy Corporation agreement, PacifiCorp will commit to file such agreement with the Commission within 90 days following closing of the transaction.

OPUC Data Request 98

Please provide a brief summary of what is included in each cost category (transition, integration, and separation).

PPW's Response to OPUC Data Request 98

Transition costs refer to costs associated with information flow between MidAmerican and PacifiCorp prior to the transaction closing.

Integration costs include those associated with determining how PacifiCorp can best operate with MidAmerican after the transaction closes. They also include the costs of implementing required changes to processes, systems, etc.

Separation costs include the costs of actions necessary to effectively separate PacifiCorp from ScottishPower, its holding structure and its affiliates. Activities for separation may include disconnecting existing organizational interfaces, business processes or systems. Existing shared service agreements provide a mechanism by which affiliates can be appropriately charged for costs incurred on their behalf.

OPUC Data Request 111 MEHC

Concerning the transfer of personnel to Utah:

- a. Please provide relevant documentation which demonstrates that PacifiCorp has previously discussed with the Oregon Commission or Commission Staff, prior to the MEHC transaction, the possible large-scale shifting of personnel from Portland to Salt Lake City.
- b. Approximately how many people will be transferred? (Please see the September 7, 2005, Oregonian article titled "*PacifiCorp to Shift Staff to Utah*")
- c. Please provide the titles of corporate and senior management that will be transferred to Utah. How many corporate and senior management personnel are planned to be transferred to Utah? Please explain.
- d. Given the assurances by MEHC and MEC to Utah to have a balanced level of staffing between Portland and Salt Lake City, about how many more Portland personnel would need to be transferred to Utah to meet this commitment?
- e. What is the average total annual compensation for personnel currently located in Portland? Given this total compensation, provide estimates of annual local and state taxes that are paid on average per employee.
- f. What is the estimated re-location cost of these personnel and in which accounts would these costs be recorded? Please explain the analysis performed to determine this amount.
- g. Please provide the number and titles of corporate and senior management that will be maintained in Portland.
- h. Concerning the positions that will be transferred to Utah, what upper level subordinate positions will stay in Portland? Will these personnel be able to make decisions regarding interpretation of customer service policies and tariffs pertaining to Oregon customers?
- i. What is the estimated decrease in Portland building lease costs that will result from moving personnel out of Portland? When do current lease contracts expire? Will PacifiCorp need to sub-let any space to off-set costs of vacancies?
- j. Please explain how the loss of state income tax revenue, loss of local purchasing dollars, and loss of community involvement for the personnel being transferred from Oregon is a benefit to the Oregon public.
- k. Please explain how the loss of local presence of corporate and senior management is a benefit to Oregon customers.

MEHC's Response to OPUC Data Request 111

- b. The September 7, 2005, Oregonian article titled "*PacifiCorp to Shift Staff to Utah*" is a reporter's selective and speculative supposition regarding future MEHC actions, based upon remarks made by Mr. Abel in Utah that

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were taken out-of-context. The article is not a factual report of any MEHC plans regarding staff changes because MEHC has not made definitive plans regarding how it will increase the number of corporate and senior management positions in Utah, other than what is already included in Mr. Abel's testimony. The impact, if any, on Oregon staffing levels will depend upon facts currently unknown (e.g., executives who may choose to leave PacifiCorp after the close of the transaction) and whether it is determined to be efficient and appropriate to locate an executive position and associated staffing in another state.

- c. See the response to "b".
- d. See the response to "b".
- f. See the response to "b".
- g. See the response to "b".
- h. See the response to "b".
- i. See the response to "b".
- j. See the response to "b".
- k. See the response to "b".

Regarding parts a and e, please see PPW's response to this request.

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PPW's Response to OPUC Data Request 111

- a. PacifiCorp has no documents discussing large-scale shifts of personnel from Portland to Salt Lake City.

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- e. The average total annual compensation (base plus incentive) for personnel currently located in Portland is \$85,945. The average annual taxes paid per employee is \$637 for local taxes and \$6,132 for state taxes.

See also MEHC's response to this request.

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STAFF EXHIBIT 300

Direct Testimony

November 21, 2005

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, OCCUPATION, AND BUSINESS**
2 **ADDRESS.**

3 A. My name is Ming Peng. My business address is 550 Capitol Street NE
4 Suite 215, Salem, Oregon 97301-2551. My telephone number is (503)
5 373-1123. I am employed by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon
6 (OPUC) as a Utility Analyst of the Economic and Policy Analysis Section
7 in the Economic Research and Financial Analysis Division.

8 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND**
9 **WORK EXPERIENCE.**

10 A. My Witness Qualification Statement is found in Exhibit Staff/301.

11 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

12 A. My testimony will discuss MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company's
13 (MEHC) cost-saving Commitment on PacifiCorp's long-term debt and
14 MEHC's credit risk.

15 **Q. DID YOU PREPARE AN EXHIBIT FOR THIS DOCKET?**

16 A. Yes. I prepared Exhibit Staff/302, consisting of 43 pages which contain my
17 analysis of this Commitment.

18 **Q. HAVE YOU REVIEWED PACIFICORP'S PAST DEBT ISSUANCES**
19 **COMPARED TO COMPARABLE COMPANIES?**

20 A. Yes. While my analysis necessarily involves judgment, and it is difficult
21 to come to a precise "answer," I conclude PacifiCorp has been able to
22 issue debt at a lower cost than comparable companies.

1 **Q. WHY DO YOU OFFER THAT ANALYSIS IN THIS REGARD IS**
2 **IMPRECISE?**

3 A. When conducting an analysis that compares the cost of PacifiCorp debt
4 issuance to other similar business risk companies, there are many factors
5 that may influence the cost of debt, thus affecting the precision of the
6 analysis. For example, factors influencing the cost of debt include the size
7 of the debt issued, the date the debt is offered, rate locks, and call options.
8 In addition, the choice of comparable companies can greatly affect the
9 results and has been a contentious issue in past rate proceedings.
10 Therefore I think it is difficult at best to have much precision in this
11 analysis. Although admittedly imprecise, to consider the merits of the
12 MEHC proposal, Staff conducted a study that identified comparable
13 companies and timing of debt issuances.

14 **Q. HOW DO YOU VIEW MEHC’S COMMITMENT OF UP TO 10 BASIS**
15 **POINTS ADJUSTMENT, FOR FIVE YEARS, FROM THE DEBT COST**
16 **ISSUED BY COMPARABLE COMPANIES, DEPENDING ON THE**
17 **RATES OF PACIFICORP’S INCREMENTAL DEBT ISSUANCES?**

18 A. I do not believe the MEHC commitment provides any benefit to customers.

19 The Testimony of PPL/Goodman/400 states:

20 “MEHC commits that over the next five years it will demonstrate
21 that PacifiCorp’s incremental long-term debt issuances will be at a
22 yield ten basis points below its similarly rated peers. If it is
23 unsuccessful in demonstrating that PacifiCorp has done so,
24 PacifiCorp will accept up to a ten (10) basis point reduction to the
25 yield it actually incurred on any incremental long-term debt
26 issuances for any revenue requirement calculation effective for

1 the five-year period subsequent to the approval of the proposed
2 acquisition. It is projected that this benefit will yield a value
3 roughly equal to \$6.3 million over the post-acquisition five-year
4 period.”

5
6 Indeed, rather than providing a benefit, the commitment may harm
7 customers if viewed in isolation from other conditions. Again my analysis
8 concludes that PacifiCorp has been able to issue debt at rates lower than
9 10 basis points than comparable companies. Therefore, the commitment
10 "over the next five years it [MEHC] will demonstrate that PacifiCorp can
11 issue new long-term debt at a yield ten basis points below its similarly
12 rated peers" is meaningless, and not a benefit for PacifiCorp or its
13 ratepayers.

14 **Q. PLEASE DISCUSS YOUR ANALYSIS ON THIS ISSUE.**

15 A. I compared PacifiCorp's long-term debt issuances costs over the past 10
16 years with similarly rated peers. PacifiCorp's spreads have been up to 58
17 basis points lower than its peers for the same rating. The average spread
18 is about 29 basis points lower than its peers at the same credit rating

19 **Q. WHAT INFORMATION DID YOU REVIEW FOR DEBT ISSUANCE**
20 **SPREADS?**

21 A. I conducted surveys for comparing debt issuances spreads between
22 PacifiCorp and its industry peers. The data sources are: (1) Standard &
23 Poor's CreditWeek from 1995 to 2005, which covers: Spread to Treasury
24 by Rating Category - U.S. Industrial Credit Trends By Rating Category; the
25 Sector Spreads (basis point) Relative Value Rating Category 'A'; (2)

1 Moody's Public Utility Manual from 1995 to 2005; (3) Moody's Corporate
2 Bond Yield Averages from its Credit Survey; and (4) PacifiCorp's historic
3 rate spreads on its debt issuances.

4 **Q. DID YOU REQUEST HISTORICAL DEBT SPREAD INFORMATION FOR**
5 **A COMPARABLE PEER GROUP FROM PACIFICORP?**

6 A. Yes. Unfortunately, neither MEHC nor PacifiCorp were able to provide
7 relevant information. See response to Staff Data Request 125, attached
8 as Staff/302, Peng/3.

9 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR ANALYSIS WITH RESPECT TO LONG-**
10 **TERM DEBT ISSUANCES COSTS.**

11 A. I compared PacifiCorp's historic trading spreads with its similarly rated
12 peers - utility industry's average spreads from 1995 to 2005. The industry
13 average data include electric, water and gas industries from Standard &
14 Poor's CreditWeek from 1995 to 2005. The comparisons attempt to
15 maintain the same industries, with the same credit ratings, similar type of
16 security, and applicable maturity term as contained in PacifiCorp's
17 response to staff's data request. See response to Staff Data Request 87-
18 a, attached as Staff/302, Peng/2.

19 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR OBSERVATIONS ON INDUSTRIAL**
20 **SPREADS AND RATING TRENDS.**

21 A. Based on the survey results from 1995 to 2005, PacifiCorp's debt
22 issuance spreads reflect an average of 29 basis points lower than its
23 peers. See attachment Staff/302, Peng/1.

1 **Q. WHAT IS MEHC'S CURRENT CREDIT RATING?**

2 A. The acquiring company MEHC has a lower credit rating than its proposed
3 "subsidiary"- PacifiCorp. MEHC's credit rating is also lower than
4 ScottishPower's. MEHC's senior unsecured credit rating is BBB-/Baa3,
5 which is lower than PacifiCorp's A-/A3 rating. The ratings with a "+" (plus)
6 or "-" (minus) indicate whether credit quality is near the top or bottom of a
7 category. The lowest investment grade is BBB-/Baa3 (MEHC's current
8 credit rating), which is one notch away from junk status.

9 **Q. WOULD MEHC'S LOWER CREDIT RATING RAISE ANY RISKS FOR**
10 **PACIFICORP AND ITS CUSTOMERS?**

11 A. That is a likely possibility. MEHC's lower credit rating may yield risks to
12 PacifiCorp and its customers because it may have a negative impact on
13 the company's access to capital and its cost; especially in light of the fact
14 that PacifiCorp currently can issue debt at rates lower than comparable
15 companies.

16 **Q. VIEWING MEHC'S CONDITION IN ISOLATION, DO YOU BELIEVE**
17 **THAT PRECISION IN INVESTMENT RISK ANALYSIS WOULD**
18 **ALLOW THE COMMISSION TO DISCERN WHETHER OR NOT A 10**
19 **BASIS POINTS SAVINGS WAS REALIZED?**

20 A. No. Even identifying comparable companies has much judgment to it and
21 experts can justly disagree on whether companies should be included or
22 excluded from a sample. I do not believe quantification and accuracy of

1 such analysis would yield confidence in the precision of measuring cost
2 savings, if any, in debt issuances.

3 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR SUGGESTIONS ON THIS ISSUE.**

4 A. Given the measurement inaccuracy in the analysis and the subjectivity of
5 comparable companies and risk analysis, I recommend the Commission
6 not adopt MEHC's "up to 10 basis points" proposal. The proposal does
7 not assure any benefits to customers and would likely lead to disputes in
8 analysis as to whether there were any savings. Further, based on my
9 analysis, PacifiCorp already issues debt at rates more than 10 basis
10 points lower than peers. As such, the commitment provides no value to
11 PacifiCorp and its customers, and may mask harm in that new issuance of
12 PacifiCorp debt may in fact be higher if the Commission approves this
13 transaction.

14 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

15 A. Yes.

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STAFF EXHIBIT 301

Witness Qualifications Statement

November 21, 2005

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

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EMPLOYER: PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

TITLE: UTILITY ANALYST

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EDUCATION & TRAINING:

Certified Rate of Return Analyst (CRRRA)
Society of Utility and Regulatory Financial Analysts 2002

NARUC Annual Regulatory Studies Program
Michigan State University, East Lansing 1999

Master of Science, Agricultural Economics
University of Idaho, Moscow 1990

Bachelor of Science, Statistics
People's University of China, Beijing 1983

EXPERIENCE:

PUBLIC UTILITY ANALYST 1999 - present
Public Utility Commission of Oregon. Primary responsibilities: Conduct economic and financial analysis on regulatory policies relating to public utility issues. The analyses focus on electric, natural gas, water, and telecommunications industries.

INDUSTRY ANALYST 1996-1998
Weyerhaeuser Company. Primary responsibilities: Forecasted product demand, price trends, and price elasticity. Established the process (specific methods and techniques) for market, investment, and economic analyses. Selected the analytical techniques most appropriate for any given problem.

ECONOMIST (Natural Resources) 1992-1996
Idaho Department of Water Resources. Primary responsibilities: Conducted economic research. Developed analysis in evaluating policy and planning alternatives; determined the financial and economic feasibility of proposed natural resource projects using economic modeling and investment analysis.

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STAFF EXHIBIT 302

Exhibit in Support of Testimony

November 21, 2005

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OPUC UM-1209 Data Request 87a PacificCorp Secured Debt Issuances since 1995

Issue	Issue Date	Term (Years)	Moody/ S&P	Principal	Coupon Rate	Treasury Yield	Coupon minus Treasury	Spreads Bps	Comparison Difference (Bps)	Electric, Water & Gas Utilities S&P Credit/Week Spread to Treasury Rating Category 'A'
1 Ser G MTN due Jun 2007	06/09/95	12	A2/A	\$100,000,000	6.625%	6.070%	0.555%	55.5	-31	6/12/1995, page 67 & 68
2 Ser G MTN due Jan 2006	01/22/96	10	A2/A	100,000,000	6.120%	N/A		95	86	1/12/96
3 Ser G MTN due Jan 2006	01/23/96	30	A2/A	100,000,000	6.710%			88	88	6/28/96
4 Ser H MTN due Jul 2009	07/15/97	12	A2/A	125,000,000	7.000%	6.302%	0.698%	69.8	9	6/27, 7/3/97
5 Ser H MTN due Jul 2004	07/15/97	7	A2/A	175,000,000	6.750%	6.319%	0.431%	43.1	-19	6/20&6/27/97
6 Ser H MTN due May 2008	05/12/98	10	A2/A+	200,000,000	6.375%	5.669%	0.706%	70.6	-1	5/1/98, 5/8/98
7 FMB due Nov 2006	11/08/98	8	A2/A+	200,000,000	5.650%	5.013%	0.637%	63.7	-75	10/16, 10/23/98
8 FMB due Nov 2031	11/21/01	30	A3/A	300,000,000	7.700%	4.849%	2.851%	237	237	11/2, 11/9/2001
9 FMB due Nov 2011	11/21/01	10	A3/A	500,000,000	6.900%	4.849%	2.051%	205.1	-5	10/19, 10/26/2001
10 FMB due Sep 2013	09/08/03	10	A3/A	200,000,000	5.450%	4.585%	0.865%	86.5	-23	228.5
11 FMB due Sep 2008	09/08/03	5	A3/A	200,000,000	4.300%	4.585%	0.285%	28.5	-47	133.5
12 FMB due Aug 2034	08/24/04	30	A3/A-	200,000,000	4.950%	5.026%	0.076%	7.6	-58	130
13 FMB due Aug 2014	08/24/04	10	A3/A-	200,000,000	4.950%	4.227%	0.723%	72.3	-36	123.5
14 FMB due Jun 2035	06/13/05	30	A3/A-	300,000,000	5.250%	4.224%	1.026%	102.6	-55	127
									-7	128
									-29	110

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Attachment OPUC 87.a
Exhibit 302/Peng 2

PacifiCorp Secured Debt Issuances since 1995
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Issue	Date	Term (years)	Ratings		Principal	Coupon Rate	Bench Treasury Yield	All In		All In Cost
			(Moody/ S&P)					Issuance Spread	Refunding Spread	
Ser G MTN due Jun 2007	06/09/95	12	A2/A		\$ 100,000,000	6.625%	6.070%	0.790%	0.111%	6.971%
Ser G MTN due Jan 2006	01/22/96	10	A2/A		100,000,000	6.120%	N/A	N/A	0.421%	6.633%
Ser G MTN due Jan 2026	01/23/96	30	A2/A		100,000,000	6.710%	6.108%	0.673%	0.000%	6.781%
Ser H MTN due Jul 2009	07/15/97	12	A2/A		125,000,000	7.000%	6.302%	0.943%	0.000%	7.245%
Ser H MTN due Jul 2004	07/15/97	7	A2/A		175,000,000	6.750%	6.319%	0.765%	0.000%	7.084%
Ser H MTN due May 2008	05/12/98	10	A2/A+		200,000,000	6.375%	5.669%	0.848%	0.000%	6.517%
FMB due Nov 2006	11/08/98	8	A2/A+		200,000,000	5.650%	5.013%	1.187%	0.000%	6.200%
FMB due Nov 2031	11/21/01	30	A3/A		300,000,000	7.700%	5.375%	2.432%	0.000%	7.807%
FMB due Nov 2011	11/21/01	10	A3/A		500,000,000	6.900%	4.849%	2.202%	0.000%	7.051%
FMB due Sep 2013	09/08/03	10	A3/A		200,000,000	5.450%	4.585%	0.974%	0.402%	5.961%
FMB due Sep 2008	09/08/03	5	A3/A		200,000,000	4.300%	3.582%	0.900%	0.688%	5.170%
FMB due Aug 2034	08/24/04	30	A3/A-		200,000,000	5.900%	5.026%	0.968%	0.000%	5.994%
FMB due Aug 2014	08/24/04	10	A3/A-		200,000,000	4.950%	4.227%	0.863%	0.000%	5.090%
FMB due Jun 2035	06/13/05	30	A3/A-		300,000,000	5.250%	4.224%	1.113%	0.029%	5.366%

* includes impact of treasury rate lock. 15

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OPUC Data Request 125

Please provide the spread information, from 1995 to present, for the electric power industry, in sufficient detail to allow staff to compare industry average with the company's numbers. This information will be the same type of information as stated in Data Request 87.a (both secured and unsecured debt) for the same industry (not PacifiCorp actual traded), with the same credit rating, same type of security, and same maturity term as responded by PacifiCorp. The data should include (see attached Excel format table):

- (1) coupon rate
- (2) bench Treasury Yield
- (3) all-In Issuance Spreads
- (4) all-in cost

Response to OPUC Data Request 125

Neither PacifiCorp nor MEHC has the information requested in DR 125. We are unaware of any source for spread information for the electric power industry that is further segregated by credit rating and term to maturity.

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	AV. CORP.	CORPORATE BY RATINGS				CORPORATE BY GROUPS			PUBLIC UTILITY BONDS				INDUSTRIAL BONDS				RAILROAD BONDS					
		Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	P.U.	IND.	R.R.	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Aaa	Aa	A			
1994																						
Dec.	8.73	8.46	8.62	8.73	9.11	8.79	8.67		Dec.	8.55	8.69	8.76	9.16	Dec.	8.37	8.54	8.70	9.05	Dec.			
1995																						
Jan.	8.71	8.46	8.60	8.70	9.08	8.77	8.65		Jan.	8.53	8.66	8.73	9.15	Jan.	8.38	8.53	8.67	9.01	Jan.			
Feb.	8.50	8.26	8.39	8.48	8.85	8.56	8.43		Feb.	8.33	8.45	8.52	8.93	Feb.	8.19	8.32	8.44	8.77	Feb.			
Mar.	8.35	8.12	8.24	8.33	8.70	8.41	8.29		Mar.	8.18	8.29	8.37	8.78	Mar.	8.06	8.18	8.29	8.62	Mar.			
Apr.	8.25	8.03	8.12	8.23	8.60	8.30	8.19		Apr.	8.08	8.17	8.27	8.67	Apr.	7.98	8.06	8.19	8.52	Apr.			
May	7.86	7.65	7.74	7.86	8.20	7.93	7.79		May	7.71	7.80	7.91	8.30	May	7.58	7.68	7.80	8.10	May			
June	7.54	7.30	7.43	7.53	7.90	7.62	7.46		June	7.39	7.49	7.60	8.01	June	7.21	7.36	7.46	7.79	June			
July	7.66	7.41	7.54	7.65	8.04	7.73	7.59		July	7.51	7.60	7.70	8.11	July	7.31	7.48	7.60	7.97	July			
Aug.	7.81	7.57	7.69	7.79	8.19	7.86	7.76		Aug.	7.66	7.71	7.83	8.24	Aug.	7.47	7.65	7.75	8.15	Aug.			
Sep.	7.56	7.32	7.45	7.56	7.93	7.62	7.50		Sep.	7.42	7.48	7.62	7.98	Sep.	7.21	7.41	7.50	7.88	Sep.			
Oct.	7.39	7.12	7.27	7.39	7.75	7.46	7.32		Oct.	7.23	7.30	7.46	7.82	Oct.	7.02	7.24	7.32	7.68	Oct.			
Nov.	7.40	7.02	7.18	7.32	7.68	7.40	7.20		Nov.	7.13	7.22	7.43	7.81	Nov.	6.90	7.13	7.20	7.55	Nov.			
Dec.	7.11	6.82	6.99	7.13	7.49	7.21	7.01		Dec.	6.94	7.03	7.23	7.63	Dec.	6.70	6.95	7.02	7.35	Dec.			
1996																						
Jan.	7.10	6.81	6.99	7.12	7.47	7.20	6.99		Jan.	6.92	7.02	7.22	7.64	Jan.	6.69	6.95	7.03	7.29	Jan.			
Feb.	7.21	6.99	7.16	7.31	7.63	7.37	7.17		Feb.	7.11	7.20	7.37	7.78	Feb.	6.86	7.12	7.24	7.47	Feb.			
Mar.	7.65	7.35	7.52	7.68	8.03	7.72	7.57		Mar.	7.45	7.55	7.73	8.15	Mar.	7.25	7.49	7.63	7.91	Mar.			
Apr.	7.80	7.50	7.68	7.83	8.19	7.88	7.72		Apr.	7.60	7.70	7.89	8.32	Apr.	7.40	7.65	7.76	8.06	Apr.			
May	7.91	7.62	7.77	7.94	8.30	7.99	7.83		May	7.73	7.79	7.98	8.45	May	7.52	7.75	7.90	8.14	May			
June	8.00	7.71	7.87	8.02	8.40	8.07	7.93		June	7.83	7.87	8.06	8.51	June	7.59	7.85	7.98	8.28	June			
July	7.95	7.65	7.82	7.97	8.35	8.02	7.87		July	7.78	7.83	8.02	8.44	July	7.51	7.81	7.91	8.26	July			
Aug.	7.76	7.46	7.63	7.77	8.18	7.84	7.68		Aug.	7.59	7.66	7.84	8.25	Aug.	7.33	7.63	7.69	8.09	Aug.			
Sept.	7.95	7.66	7.82	7.95	8.35	8.01	7.88		Sept.	7.76	7.84	8.01	8.41	Sept.	7.55	7.80	7.89	8.28	Sept.			
Oct.	7.68	7.39	7.58	7.70	8.07	7.76	7.61		Oct.	7.50	7.60	7.77	8.15	Oct.	7.28	7.55	7.62	7.98	Oct.			
Nov.	7.41	7.10	7.31	7.41	7.79	7.48	7.33		Nov.	7.21	7.32	7.49	7.87	Nov.	6.99	7.29	7.34	7.70	Nov.			
Dec.	7.50	7.20	7.41	7.51	7.89	7.58	7.42		Dec.	7.33	7.44	7.59	7.98	Dec.	7.07	7.38	7.43	7.80	Dec.			
1997																						
Jan.	7.71	7.42	7.63	7.71	8.09	7.79	7.63		Jan.	7.53	7.68	7.77	8.18	Jan.	7.30	7.58	7.64	8.00	Jan.			
Feb.	7.59	7.31	7.54	7.59	7.94	7.68	7.50		Feb.	7.47	7.60	7.64	8.02	Feb.	7.14	7.47	7.52	7.86	Feb.			
Mar.	7.83	7.55	7.77	7.82	8.18	7.92	7.74		Mar.	7.70	7.84	7.87	8.26	Mar.	7.40	7.70	7.76	8.09	Mar.			
Apr.	7.99	7.73	7.93	7.98	8.34	8.08	7.90		Apr.	7.88	8.00	8.03	8.42	Apr.	7.58	7.85	7.93	8.25	Apr.			
May	7.86	7.58	7.80	7.86	8.20	7.94	7.79		May	7.72	7.85	7.89	8.28	May	7.45	7.74	7.83	8.12	May			
June	7.68	7.41	7.62	7.68	8.02	7.77	7.59		June	7.55	7.68	7.72	8.12	June	7.26	7.55	7.64	7.91	June			
July	7.42	7.14	7.36	7.42	7.75	7.52	7.32		July	7.29	7.43	7.48	7.87	July	6.99	7.29	7.43	7.48	July			
Aug.	7.48	7.22	7.40	7.46	7.82	7.57	7.37		Aug.	7.39	7.46	7.51	7.92	Aug.	7.05	7.34	7.40	7.70	Aug.			
Sept.	7.40	7.15	7.34	7.39	7.70	7.50	7.29		Sept.	7.33	7.43	7.47	7.79	Sept.	6.94	7.25	7.32	7.63	Sept.			
Oct.	7.26	7.00	7.20	7.27	7.57	7.37	7.15		Oct.	7.18	7.28	7.35	7.67	Oct.	6.81	7.12	7.19	7.48	Oct.			
Nov.	7.13	6.87	7.07	7.15	7.42	7.24	7.01		Nov.	7.09	7.15	7.25	7.49	Nov.	6.65	7.00	7.05	7.35	Nov.			
Dec.	7.03	6.76	6.99	7.05	7.32	7.16	6.91		Dec.	6.99	7.07	7.16	7.41	Dec.	6.54	6.90	6.95	7.24	Dec.			
1998																						
Jan.	6.89	6.61	6.82	6.93	7.19	7.03	6.75		Jan.	6.85	6.94	7.04	7.28	Jan.	6.38	6.70	6.81	7.11	Jan.			
Feb.	6.95	6.67	6.88	7.01	7.25	7.09	6.82		Feb.	6.91	6.99	7.12	7.36	Feb.	6.44	6.78	6.90	7.15	Feb.			
Mar.	7.00	6.72	6.93	7.05	7.32	7.13	6.87		Mar.	6.96	7.04	7.16	7.37	Mar.	6.47	6.83	6.94	7.26	Mar.			
Apr.	6.99	6.69	6.90	7.03	7.33	7.12	6.86		Apr.	6.94	7.02	7.16	7.37	Apr.	6.44	6.79	6.90	7.29	Apr.			
May	6.98	6.69	6.91	7.03	7.30	7.11	6.85		May	6.94	7.02	7.16	7.34	May	6.44	6.81	6.90	7.26	May			
June	6.83	6.53	6.78	6.88	7.13	6.99	6.67		June	6.80	6.91	7.03	7.21	June	6.25	6.66	6.72	7.05	June			
July	6.84	6.55	6.78	6.89	7.15	6.99	6.69		July	6.80	6.91	7.03	7.23	July	6.29	6.65	6.76	7.06	July			
Aug.	6.83	6.52	6.77	6.89	7.14	6.96	6.70		Aug.	6.75	6.87	7.00	7.20	Aug.	6.29	6.67	6.78	7.08	Aug.			
Sept.	6.75	6.41	6.69	6.82	7.09	6.88	6.62		Sept.	6.66	6.78	6.93	7.13	Sept.	6.1	6.59	6.71	7.05	Sept.			
Oct.	6.77	6.37	6.69	6.85	7.18	6.88	6.66		Oct.	6.63	6.79	6.96	7.13	Oct.	6.10	6.58	6.73	7.22	Oct.			
Nov.	6.87	6.41	6.79	6.95	7.34	6.96	6.79		Nov.	6.59	6.89	7.03	7.31	Nov.	6.22	6.68	6.88	7.36	Nov.			
Dec.	6.72	6.22	6.65	6.80	7.23	6.84	6.60		Dec.	6.43	6.78	6.91	7.24	Dec.	6.00	6.51	6.68	7.21	Dec.			
1999																						
Jan.	6.76	6.24	6.68	6.84	7.29	6.87	6.65		Jan.	6.41	6.82	6.97	7.30	Jan.	6.07	6.54	6.70	7.27	Jan.			
Feb.	6.89	6.40	6.79	6.97	7.39	7.00	6.77		Feb.	6.56	6.94	7.09	7.41	Feb.	6.23	6.64	6.84	7.37	Feb.			
Mar.	7.07	6.62	6.98	7.14	7.53	7.18	6.96		Mar.	6.78	7.11	7.26	7.55	Mar.	6.46	6.83	7.02	7.51	Mar.			
Apr.	7.05	6.64	6.96	7.13	7.48	7.16	6.94		Apr.	6.80	7.11	7.22	7.51	Apr.	6.46	6.81	7.03	7.45	Apr.			
May	7.32	6.93	7.23	7.40	7.72	7.42	7.22		May	7.09	7.38	7.47	7.74	May	6.77	7.07	7.33	7.70	May			
June	7.62	7.23	7.52	7.69	8.02	7.70	7.53		June	7.37	7.67	7.74	8.03	June	7.09	7.37	7.64	8.00	June		</	

MERGENT BOND RECORD
Corporate Bond Yield Averages

Year	CORPORATE BY RATING					CORPORATE BY GROUP			PUBLIC UTILITY BONDS				INDUSTRIAL BONDS				RAILROAD BONDS		
	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Baa	Pub	Util	Ind	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Aaa	Aa	Baa
2000	8.06	7.78	7.96	8.15	8.33	8.22	7.83	7.83	Jan. 7.95	8.17	8.39	8.40	Jan. 7.60	7.74	7.94	8.26	Jan. ---	---	---
Feb.	7.96	7.68	7.82	8.06	8.29	8.10	7.82	7.82	Feb. 7.92	7.99	8.23	8.39	Feb. 7.53	7.65	7.87	8.24	Feb. ---	---	---
Mar.	7.99	7.68	7.83	8.07	8.32	8.14	7.83	7.83	Mar. 7.87	7.98	8.28	8.40	Mar. 7.48	7.66	7.84	8.34	Mar. ---	---	---
Apr.	7.98	7.64	7.82	8.07	8.40	8.14	7.82	7.82	Apr. 7.87	8.00	8.29	8.40	Apr. 7.41	7.63	7.84	8.40	Apr. ---	---	---
May	8.41	7.99	8.24	8.49	8.90	8.35	8.25	8.25	May 8.22	8.44	8.70	8.86	May 7.76	8.03	8.28	8.94	May ---	---	---
June	8.05	7.67	7.87	8.18	8.48	8.22	7.87	7.87	June 7.96	8.10	8.36	8.47	June 7.37	7.63	8.00	8.49	June ---	---	---
July	7.98	7.65	7.81	8.11	8.39	8.17	7.78	7.78	July 8.00	8.10	8.25	8.33	July 7.20	7.51	7.97	8.26	July ---	---	---
Aug.	7.88	7.55	7.70	8.02	8.28	8.03	7.70	7.70	Aug. 7.89	7.95	8.18	8.28	Aug. 7.29	7.54	8.03	8.37	Aug. ---	---	---
Sept.	7.98	7.62	7.83	8.13	8.35	8.16	7.81	7.81	Sept. 7.92	8.11	8.23	8.31	Sept. 7.29	7.53	8.08	8.38	Sept. ---	---	---
Oct.	7.95	7.55	7.81	8.11	8.34	8.08	7.82	7.82	Oct. 7.80	8.08	8.14	8.29	Oct. 7.19	7.47	8.07	8.31	Oct. ---	---	---
Nov.	7.90	7.45	7.75	8.09	8.28	8.03	7.76	7.76	Nov. 7.71	8.03	8.23	8.25	Nov. 6.90	7.16	7.90	8.03	Nov. ---	---	---
Dec.	7.65	7.21	7.48	7.88	8.02	7.79	7.50	7.50	Dec. 7.51	7.78	7.84	8.01	Dec. 6.67	6.85	7.56	7.82	Dec. ---	---	---
2001	7.55	7.15	7.38	7.75	7.93	7.76	7.34	7.34	Jan. 7.53	7.73	7.80	7.99	Jan. 6.76	7.02	7.70	7.86	Jan. ---	---	---
Feb.	7.50	7.10	7.32	7.69	7.88	7.69	7.30	7.30	Feb. 7.46	7.62	7.74	7.94	Feb. 6.74	7.01	7.64	7.80	Feb. ---	---	---
Mar.	7.41	6.98	7.22	7.61	7.84	7.49	7.23	7.23	Mar. 7.31	7.51	7.58	7.83	Mar. 6.64	6.92	7.53	7.83	Mar. ---	---	---
Apr.	7.63	7.20	7.43	7.82	8.07	7.81	7.45	7.45	Apr. 7.33	7.73	7.94	8.06	Apr. 6.86	7.14	7.74	8.08	Apr. ---	---	---
May	7.69	7.29	7.50	7.88	8.07	7.88	7.49	7.49	May 7.61	7.79	7.99	8.11	May 6.96	7.20	7.73	8.03	May ---	---	---
June	7.46	7.18	7.34	7.73	7.97	7.75	7.36	7.36	June 7.30	7.62	7.85	8.02	June 6.85	7.03	7.60	7.92	June ---	---	---
July	7.31	7.13	7.27	7.65	7.97	7.71	7.30	7.30	July 7.46	7.55	7.78	8.03	July 6.80	6.99	7.52	7.99	July ---	---	---
Aug.	7.37	7.02	7.11	7.48	7.85	7.57	7.16	7.16	Aug. 7.36	7.39	7.59	7.95	Aug. 6.64	6.83	7.37	7.74	Aug. ---	---	---
Sept.	7.54	7.17	7.27	7.67	8.03	7.73	7.34	7.34	Sept. 7.52	7.55	7.75	8.13	Sept. 6.83	7.00	7.60	7.93	Sept. ---	---	---
Oct.	7.41	7.03	7.13	7.59	7.91	7.64	7.18	7.18	Oct. 7.45	7.47	7.63	8.02	Oct. 6.66	6.79	7.54	7.79	Oct. ---	---	---
Nov.	7.32	6.97	7.01	7.49	7.81	7.61	7.03	7.03	Nov. 7.45	7.45	7.57	7.96	Nov. 6.48	6.56	7.40	7.66	Nov. ---	---	---
Dec.	7.55	6.76	7.19	7.70	8.05	7.86	7.23	7.23	Dec. 7.53	7.53	7.89	8.27	Dec. 6.67	6.85	7.56	7.82	Dec. ---	---	---
2002	7.38	6.55	7.03	7.50	7.87	7.69	7.07	7.07	Jan. 7.28	7.46	7.63	8.13	Jan. 6.55	6.78	7.33	7.66	Jan. ---	---	---
Feb.	7.32	6.51	6.95	7.37	7.89	7.62	7.02	7.02	Feb. 7.14	7.54	7.81	8.18	Feb. 6.41	6.76	7.20	7.59	Feb. ---	---	---
Mar.	7.57	6.81	7.22	7.62	8.11	7.83	7.30	7.30	Mar. 7.42	7.70	7.92	8.32	Mar. 6.81	7.02	7.47	7.89	Mar. ---	---	---
Apr.	7.49	6.76	7.16	7.49	8.04	7.74	7.23	7.23	Apr. 7.38	7.57	7.85	8.26	Apr. 6.76	6.93	7.40	7.81	Apr. ---	---	---
May	7.48	6.75	7.20	7.43	8.09	7.76	7.23	7.23	May 7.43	7.52	7.83	8.23	May 6.75	6.95	7.53	7.84	May ---	---	---
June	7.36	6.64	7.08	7.25	7.96	7.67	7.06	7.06	June 7.33	7.42	7.82	8.26	June 6.84	6.83	7.09	7.67	June ---	---	---
July	7.27	6.53	6.98	7.14	7.90	7.54	6.99	6.99	July 7.22	7.31	7.80	8.07	July 6.43	6.74	6.97	7.67	July ---	---	---
Aug.	7.05	6.37	6.84	6.93	7.58	7.34	6.77	6.77	Aug. 7.10	7.17	7.74	8.04	Aug. 6.37	6.53	6.73	7.42	Aug. ---	---	---
Sept.	6.87	6.14	6.63	6.76	7.40	7.23	6.51	6.51	Sept. 6.98	7.08	7.62	8.02	Sept. 6.15	6.27	6.43	7.17	Sept. ---	---	---
Oct.	7.08	6.33	6.74	6.94	7.74	7.43	6.72	6.72	Oct. 7.07	7.23	8.03	8.04	Oct. 6.29	6.40	6.67	7.48	Oct. ---	---	---
Nov.	7.01	6.31	6.71	6.89	7.62	7.31	6.70	6.70	Nov. 7.03	7.14	7.76	8.02	Nov. 6.81	6.99	6.63	7.47	Nov. ---	---	---
Dec.	6.90	6.21	6.63	6.80	7.45	7.20	6.59	6.59	Dec. 6.94	7.07	7.61	8.27	Dec. 6.21	6.32	6.53	7.28	Dec. ---	---	---
2003	6.84	6.17	6.59	6.76	7.33	7.13	6.54	6.54	Jan. 6.87	7.08	7.47	8.04	Jan. 6.17	6.30	6.46	7.23	Jan. ---	---	---
Feb.	6.62	5.95	6.34	6.63	7.06	6.82	6.31	6.31	Feb. 6.68	6.89	7.17	8.04	Feb. 5.95	6.02	6.33	6.94	Feb. ---	---	---
Mar.	6.53	5.89	6.28	6.54	6.95	6.80	6.26	6.26	Mar. 6.56	6.79	7.09	8.04	Mar. 5.89	6.04	6.30	6.84	Mar. ---	---	---
Apr.	6.44	5.74	6.22	6.45	6.85	6.68	6.10	6.10	Apr. 6.47	6.64	6.94	8.04	Apr. 5.74	5.97	6.26	6.76	Apr. ---	---	---
May	6.02	5.22	5.85	6.08	6.38	6.35	5.70	5.70	May 6.20	6.34	6.67	8.04	May 5.22	5.48	5.79	6.29	May ---	---	---
June	5.85	4.97	5.72	5.92	6.19	6.21	5.49	5.49	June 6.18	6.21	6.50	8.04	June 4.97	5.31	5.62	6.07	June ---	---	---
July	6.26	5.49	6.07	6.34	6.62	6.54	5.98	5.98	July 6.37	6.57	6.67	8.07	July 5.40	5.77	6.11	6.56	July ---	---	---
Aug.	6.37	5.87	6.31	6.63	7.04	6.78	6.35	6.35	Aug. 6.48	6.78	7.08	8.07	Aug. 5.87	6.13	6.48	6.92	Aug. ---	---	---
Sept.	6.37	5.72	6.13	6.42	6.79	6.58	6.16	6.16	Sept. 6.30	6.48	6.87	8.07	Sept. 5.78	5.94	6.27	6.71	Sept. ---	---	---
Oct.	6.32	5.70	6.11	6.43	6.73	6.50	6.14	6.14	Oct. 6.28	6.43	6.78	8.07	Oct. 5.70	5.94	6.23	6.67	Oct. ---	---	---
Nov.	6.27	5.63	6.08	6.28	6.66	6.44	6.09	6.09	Nov. 6.26	6.37	6.69	8.07	Nov. 5.65	5.91	6.18	6.69	Nov. ---	---	---
Dec.	6.20	5.65	6.02	6.19	6.60	6.36	6.04	6.04	Dec. 6.18	6.27	6.61	8.07	Dec. 5.62	5.89	6.11	6.58	Dec. ---	---	---
2004	6.08	5.54	5.91	6.08	6.44	6.23	5.92	5.92	Jan. 6.06	6.15	6.47	8.07	Jan. 5.54	5.74	6.02	6.40	Jan. ---	---	---
Feb.	6.00	5.50	5.87	6.04	6.37	6.17	5.83	5.83	Feb. 6.10	6.18	6.28	8.07	Feb. 5.60	5.63	5.93	6.24	Feb. ---	---	---
Mar.	5.84	5.33	5.70	5.86	6.11	6.01	5.67	5.67	Mar. 5.93	5.97	6.12	8.07	Mar. 5.33	5.48	5.75	6.11	Mar. ---	---	---
Apr.	6.22	5.73	6.10	6.25	6.46	6.38	6.05	6.05	Apr. 6.03	6.03	6.48	8.07	Apr. 5.73	5.83	6.15	6.45	Apr. ---	---	---
May	6.51	6.04	6.40	6.54	6.73	6.63	6.34	6.34	May 6.66	6.62	6.75	8.07	May 6.04	6.13	6.45	6.73	May ---	---	---
June	6.42	6.01	6.21	6.42	6.78	6.53	6.31	6.31	June 6.30	6.45	6.84	8.07	June 6.01	6.12	6.37	6.72	June ---	---	---
July	6.24	5.82	6.02	6.23	6.62	6.48	6.13	6.13	July 6.09	6.27	6.67	8.07	July 5.81	5.94	6.18	6.57	July ---	---	---
Aug.	6.08	5.63	5.87	6.08	6.48	6.18	5.98	5.98	Aug. 5.95	6.18	6.43	8.07	Aug. 5.63	5.79	6.02	6.47	Aug. ---	---	---
Sept.	5.91	5.46	5.73	5.91	6.27	6.01	5.81	5.81	Sept. 5.76	5.98	6.27	8.07	Sept. 5.46	5.67	5.84	6.27	Sept. ---	---	---
Oct.	5.87	5.47	5.69	5.86	6.21	5.95	5.78	5.78	Oct. 5.74	5.84	6.17	8.07	Oct. 5.47	5.69	5.78	6.24	Oct. ---	---	---
Nov.	5.89	5.32	5.72	5.88	6.21	5.97	5.80	5.80	Nov. 5.79	5.97	6.16	8.07	Nov. 5.53	5					

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Moody's® Yield Averages

Corporate Bond Yield Averages - Monthly-to-Date

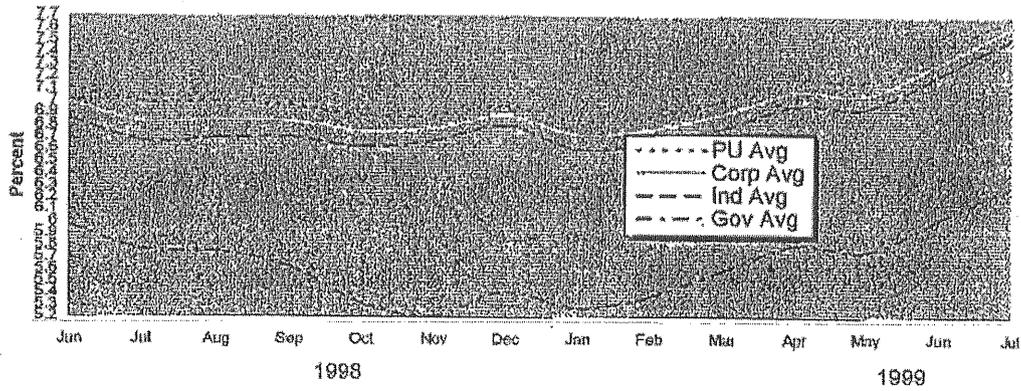
1999 Month	Corporate					Industrial					Public Utility				
	Avg	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Avg	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Avg	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa
January	6.76	6.24	6.68	6.84	7.29	6.65	6.07	6.54	6.70	7.27	6.87	6.41	6.82	6.97	7.30
February	6.89	6.40	6.79	6.97	7.39	6.77	6.23	6.64	6.84	7.37	7.00	6.56	6.94	7.09	7.41
March	7.07	6.62	6.98	7.14	7.53	6.98	6.46	6.83	7.02	7.51	7.18	6.78	7.11	7.26	7.55
April	7.05	6.64	6.96	7.13	7.48	6.94	6.46	6.81	7.03	7.45	7.16	6.80	7.11	7.22	7.51
May	7.32	6.93	7.23	7.40	7.72	7.22	6.77	7.07	7.33	7.70	7.42	7.09	7.38	7.47	7.74
June	7.62	7.23	7.52	7.69	8.02	7.53	7.09	7.37	7.64	8.00	7.70	7.37	7.67	7.74	8.03

1999 Weekly	Corporate					Industrial					Public Utility				
	Avg	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Avg	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Avg	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa
June 28	7.69	7.32	7.59	7.77	8.09	7.61	7.20	7.44	7.72	8.08	7.77	7.43	7.74	7.81	8.10
29	7.66	7.27	7.56	7.74	8.05	7.57	7.15	7.41	7.69	8.03	7.74	7.39	7.71	7.78	8.07
30	7.59	7.21	7.49	7.67	7.99	7.50	7.08	7.34	7.62	7.97	7.67	7.33	7.64	7.72	8.00
July 1	7.59	7.20	7.49	7.66	7.98	7.50	7.07	7.34	7.61	7.96	7.67	7.32	7.63	7.71	8.00
2	7.57	7.18	7.47	7.65	7.96	7.48	7.05	7.32	7.59	7.94	7.65	7.30	7.62	7.70	7.98
3	Sat.														
4	Sun.														
Monthly-to-Date Avg.	7.58	7.19	7.48	7.66	7.97	7.49	7.09	7.33	7.60	7.95	7.66	7.31	7.63	7.71	7.99
High	7.59	7.20	7.49	7.66	7.98	7.50	7.07	7.34	7.61	7.96	7.67	7.32	7.63	7.71	8.00
Low	7.57	7.18	7.47	7.65	7.96	7.48	7.05	7.32	7.59	7.94	7.65	7.30	7.62	7.70	7.98

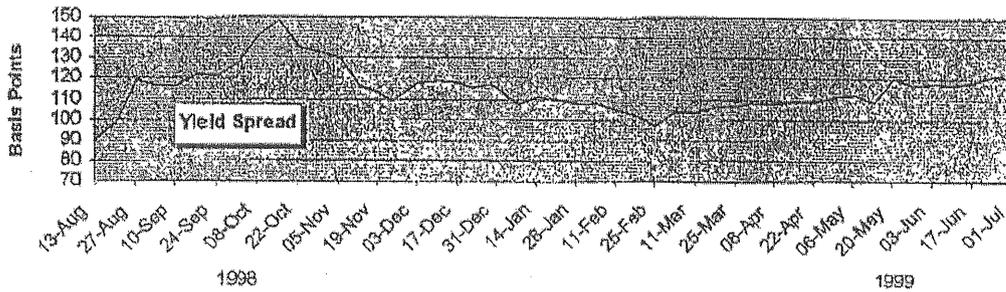
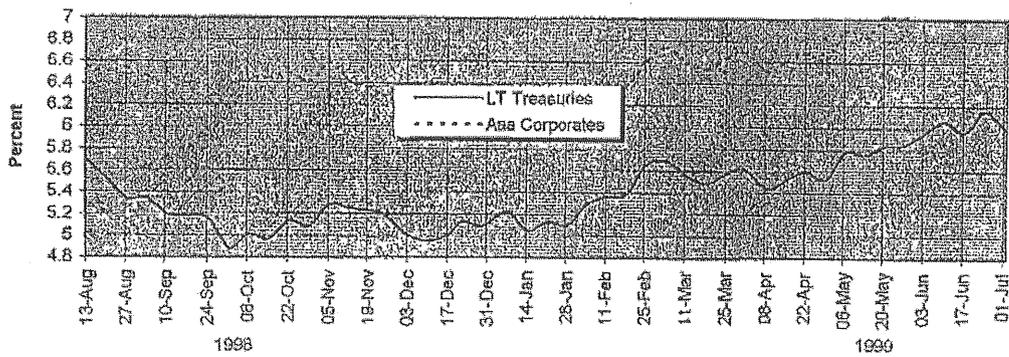
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U.S. Treasury Bond Yields vs Aaa Corporate Bond Yields



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Moody's® Yield Averages

Public Utility Preferred Stock Yield Averages - Weekly

Date 1999	"aa"	"a"	"baa"
April 1	6.20	6.55	7.58
April 9	6.21	6.52	7.55
April 16	6.08	6.57	7.57
April 23	6.12	6.48	7.56
April 30	6.16	6.55	7.55
May 7	6.17	6.51	7.52
May 14	6.20	6.59	7.56
May 21	6.25	6.65	7.52
May 28	6.31	6.69	7.54
June 4	6.26	6.77	7.57
June 11	6.32	6.65	7.68
June 18	6.32	6.69	7.64
June 25	6.23	6.65	7.66

Preferred stock yields averages are Friday figures. There are no "aaa" averages because of the dearth of prime quality preferred stocks.

Municipal Bond Yield Averages - Weekly/Monthly

1999 Monthly	10 Year			20 Year				VMIG
	Aaa	Aa	Composite	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	
January	4.10	4.19	5.01	4.85	4.94	5.06	5.21	2.85
February	4.10	4.17	5.01	4.83	4.90	5.08	5.24	2.64
March	4.30	4.34	5.11	4.96	5.03	5.12	5.32	2.99
April	4.23	4.31	5.06	4.87	5.00	5.10	5.26	3.39
May	4.44	4.50	5.23	5.05	5.15	5.29	5.43	3.46
June	4.75	4.80	5.39	5.23	5.30	5.42	5.60	3.32

1999 Weekly	10 Year			20 Year				VMIG
	Aaa	Aa	Composite	Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	
April 1	4.31	4.37	5.13	4.97	5.08	5.14	5.34	3.00
April 8	4.25	4.35	5.08	4.93	5.03	5.11	5.25	2.83
April 15	4.20	4.27	5.04	4.85	4.98	5.07	5.25	3.21
April 22	4.23	4.31	5.05	4.85	4.99	5.08	5.26	3.54
April 29	4.22	4.32	5.07	4.86	4.99	5.15	5.27	3.98
May 6	4.40	4.48	5.19	5.00	5.12	5.25	5.39	3.66
May 13	4.41	4.48	5.19	5.01	5.10	5.26	5.39	3.55
May 20	4.40	4.49	5.25	5.07	5.18	5.31	5.43	3.38
May 27	4.54	4.60	5.29	5.12	5.21	5.35	5.49	3.24
June 3	4.60	4.68	5.32	5.14	5.25	5.38	5.52	2.91
June 10	4.64	4.70	5.38	5.20	5.30	5.43	5.57	3.21
June 17	4.80	4.85	5.39	5.25	5.31	5.40	5.60	3.38
June 24	4.83	4.87	5.43	5.27	5.33	5.45	5.66	3.69
July 1	4.86	4.90	5.41	5.27	5.31	5.43	5.64	3.39

Municipal Bond Yield Averages are based on 10 and 20 year reoffering yields on selected general obligations. VMIG averages are the mean of weekly rates determined and supplied to Moody's® by various remarketing agents.

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Securities used in Moody's® Corporate Bond Yield Averages

Industrials

Aaa

Issuer	Coupon	Maturity	Rating
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.	7.15	06/15/23	Aaa
Johnson & Johnson	6.75	11/15/23	Aaa
United Parcel Service of America, Inc.	8.375	04/01/20	Aaa

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AT&T Corp.	8.125	07/15/24	Aa3
Boeing Co.	8.75	08/15/21	Aa3
du Pont (E.I.) de Nemours & Co.	7.50	03/01/33	Aa3
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	7.875	02/01/23	Aa2
McDonald's Corp.	7.375	07/15/33	Aa2
Mobil Corp.	8.625	08/15/21	Aa2
Motorola Inc.	8.40	08/15/31	Aa3
Procter & Gamble Co.	7.375	03/01/23	Aa2
Wal-Mart Stores Inc.	6.75	10/15/23	Aa2

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American Home Products Corp.	7.25	03/01/23	A2
Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc.	7.375	07/01/23	A1
Arrow Electronics, Inc.	7.50	01/15/27	A2
Atlantic Richfield Co.	8.75	03/01/32	A2
Baxter International Inc.	7.85	02/01/27	A3
Caterpillar Inc.	8.00	02/15/23	A2
Chrysler Corp.	7.45	03/01/27	A3
Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc.	6.75	09/15/23	A3
Cooper Tire & Rubber Co.	7.625	03/15/27	A1
Dow Chemical Co.	7.375	03/01/23	A1
Eastman Chemical Co.	7.80	02/01/27	A3
Equitable Resources Inc.	7.75	07/15/26	A2
Ford Motor Co.	8.875	01/15/22	A1
Hershey Foods Corp.	8.80	02/15/21	A1
International Business Machines Corp.	8.375	11/01/19	A1
International Paper Co.	6.875	11/01/23	A3
Loral Corp.	8.375	01/15/23	A3
May Department Stores Co.	7.875	08/15/36	A2
Penney (J.C.) Inc.	7.125	11/15/23	A2
Phillip Morris Companies, Inc.	7.75	01/15/27	A2
Phillips Petroleum Co.	8.49	01/01/23	A3
Seagram Ltd	8.35	01/15/22	A2
Toxaco Capital Inc.	6.875	08/15/23	A1
Toys 'R' US, Inc.	8.75	09/01/21	A1
United Technologies Corp.	8.75	03/01/21	A2

Public Utilities

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Issuer	Coupon	Maturity	Rating
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	6.75	10/15/33	Aaa
Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. of VA	7.00	07/15/25	Aaa
Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. of VA	7.875	01/15/22	Aaa
New Jersey Bell Telephone Co.	7.25	03/01/23	Aaa
New Jersey Bell Telephone Co.	6.80	12/15/24	Aaa
Ohio Bell Telephone Co.	7.85	12/15/22	Aaa
Wisconsin Bell Telephone Co.	6.75	08/15/24	Aaa

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Bell Telephone Co. of PA	7.375	03/15/33	Aa1
Dayton Power & Light Co.	7.875	02/15/24	Aa3
Duke Energy Corp.	7.375	03/01/23	Aa3
Duke Energy Corp.	6.75	08/01/25	Aa3
Florida Power & Light Co.	7.05	12/01/26	Aa3
Florida Power & Light Co.	7.00	09/01/25	Aa3
Florida Power Corp.	7.00	12/01/23	Aa3
Illinois Bell Telephone Co.	7.25	03/15/24	Aa1
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	7.50	02/15/23	Aa1
National Rural Utilities Coop. Fin. Corp.	7.35	11/01/28	Aa3
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	6.875	10/01/23	Aa2
Northern States Power Co. (WI)	7.375	12/01/28	Aa3
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.	7.625	03/01/23	Aa3
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.	6.625	09/01/24	Aa3
US West Communications Inc.	6.875	09/15/33	Aa3
US West Communications Inc.	7.125	11/15/43	Aa3
Wisconsin Electric Power Co.	7.75	01/15/23	Aa2

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Alabama Power Co.	7.45	07/01/23	A1
Alabama Power Co.	7.30	11/01/23	A1
Baltimore Gas & Electric Co.	7.50	03/01/23	A1
Carolina Power & Light Co.	7.50	03/01/23	A2
Carolina Power & Light Co.	6.875	08/15/23	A2
Consolidated Edison Co. of NY, Inc.	8.05	12/15/27	A1
Georgia Power Co.	7.75	04/01/23	A1
Houston Lighting & Power Co.	7.75	03/15/23	A3
New York Telephone Co.	7.00	12/01/33	A2
New York Telephone Co.	7.625	02/01/23	A2
Pacific Bell	6.825	10/15/34	A1
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.	7.25	03/01/26	A2
Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.	7.875	02/01/23	A3
Potomac Electric Power Co.	6.875	09/01/23	A1
Public Service Electric & Gas Co.	7.00	09/01/24	A3
Public Service Electric & Gas Co.	7.50	03/01/23	A3
Southern California Edison Co.	7.125	07/15/25	A1
Southern California Gas Co.	6.875	11/01/25	A1
Virginia Electric & Power Co.	8.75	10/01/23	A2
West Penn Power Co.	7.875	09/01/22	A1

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Issuer	Coupon	Maturity	Rating
Burlington Northern Inc.	7.50	07/15/23	Baa2
Coastal Corp.	7.42	02/15/37	Baa3
Dayton Hudson Corp.	7.875	08/15/23	Baa1
Fruit of the Loom	7.375	11/15/23	Baa3
Georgia-Pacific Corp.	8.25	03/01/23	Baa2
James River Corp.	7.75	11/15/23	Baa3
Kansas City Southern Industries, Inc.	8.80	07/01/22	Baa2
MAPCO Inc.	7.70	03/01/27	Baa2
NGC Corp.	7.625	10/15/26	Baa2
Noble Affiliates, Inc.	8.00	04/01/27	Baa2
Ralston Purina Co.	8.125	02/01/23	Baa1
Rite Aid Corp.	7.70	02/15/27	Baa1
Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co.	7.625	04/01/37	Baa3
Union Carbide Chemicals & Plastics Co.	8.75	08/01/22	Baa2

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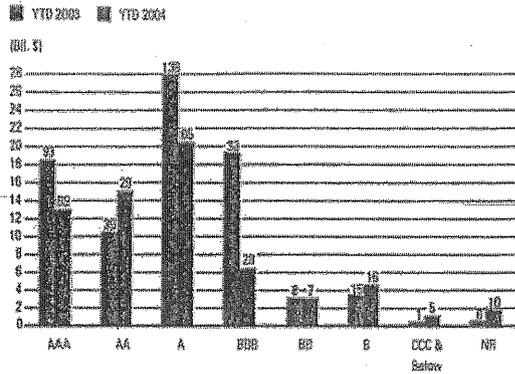
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Issuer	Coupon	Maturity	Rating
Arizona Public Service Co.	8.00	02/01/25	Baa1
Arkansas Power & Light Co.	7.00	10/01/23	Baa2
Boston Edison Co.	7.80	03/15/23	Baa2
Commonwealth Edison Co.	7.75	07/15/23	Baa2
Consumers Energy Co.	7.375	09/15/23	Baa3
El Paso Natural Gas Co.	7.50	11/15/28	Baa2
GTE Corp.	8.75	11/01/21	Baa1
GTE Corp.	7.90	02/01/27	Baa1
Gulf States Utilities Co.	8.70	04/01/24	Baa3
Illinois Power Co.	8.00	02/15/23	Baa1
Philadelphia Electric Co.	7.75	03/01/23	Baa1
Texas Utilities Electric Co.	7.875	03/01/23	Baa2
US West Capital Funding Inc.	7.90	02/01/27	Baa1
UtiliCorp United Inc.	8.00	03/01/23	Baa3

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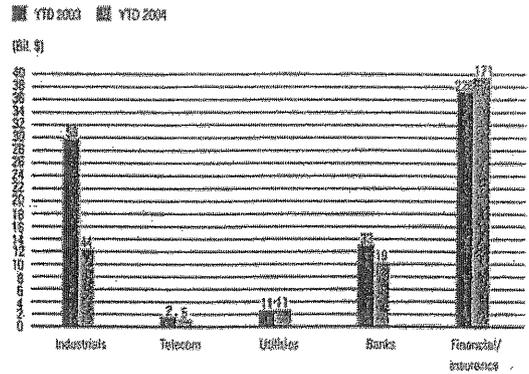
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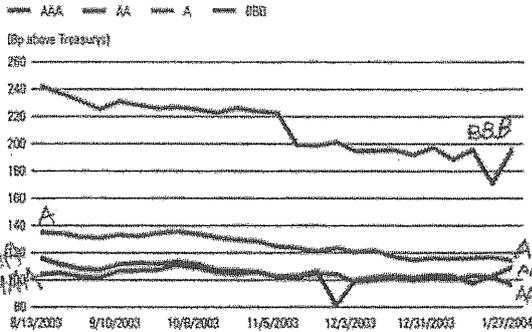
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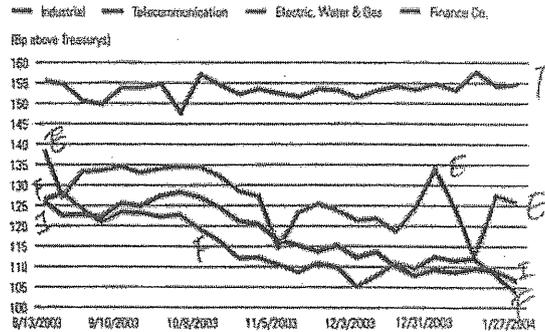
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends By Rating Category



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Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
1/20/2004	102	103	117	171
1/27/2004	96	109	115	186

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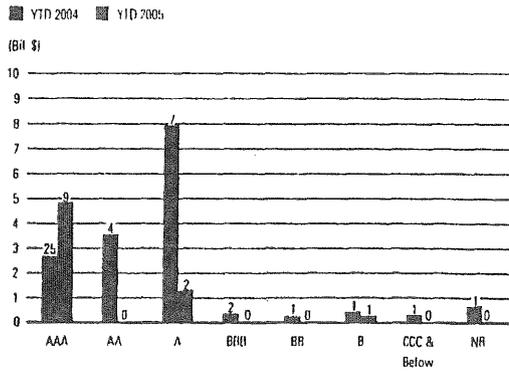
5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Finance Cos.
1/20/2004	109	154	128	108
1/27/2004	107	155	128	104

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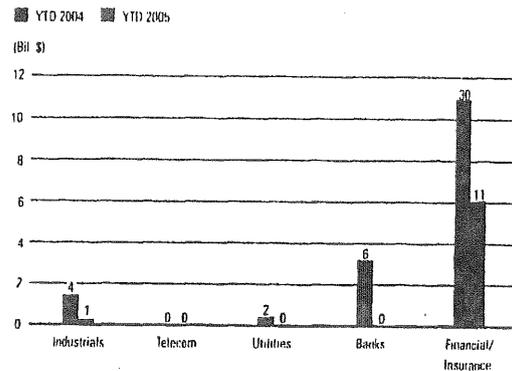
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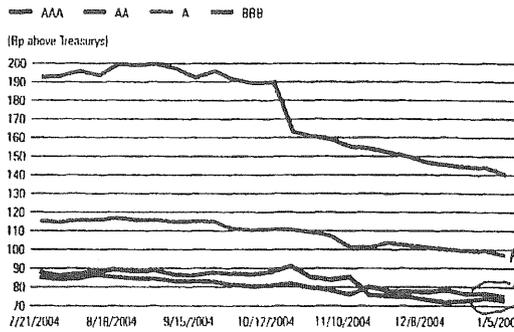
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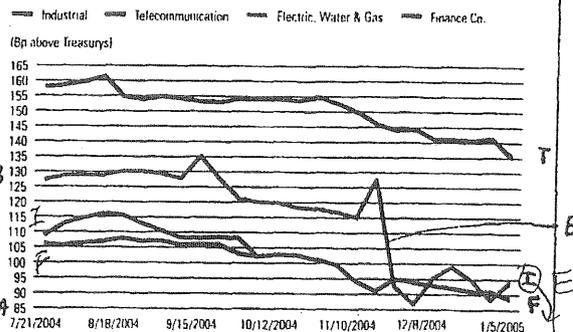
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U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/28/2004	74	76	99	144
1/5/2005	73	75	97	140

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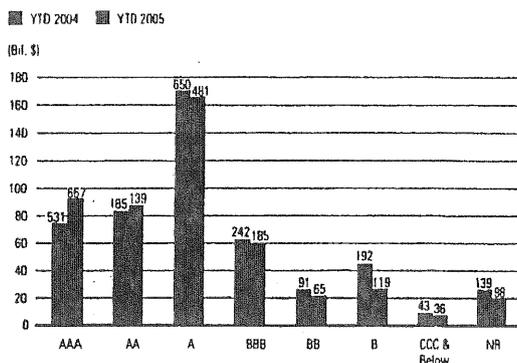


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Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
12/28/2004	91	141	88	91
1/5/2005	89	135	94	89

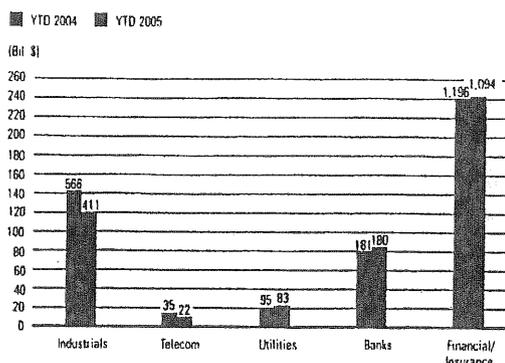
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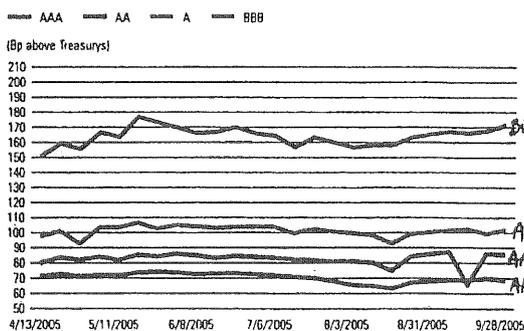
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Includes all public and Rule 144a issuance of straight debt, convertible debt, floating-rate notes, and medium-term notes by financial and nonfinancial entities into the U.S. market.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research, Thomson Financial.

Spread To Treasury By Rating Category

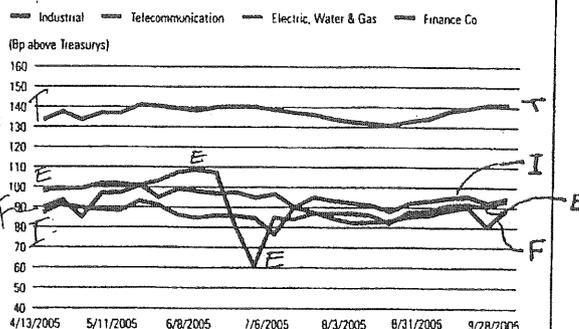
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends By Rating Category



Includes Yankee bond issues. Nine plus years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
9/21/2005	70	86	99	168
9/28/2005	69	86	102	171

Sector Relative Value Rating Category 'A'

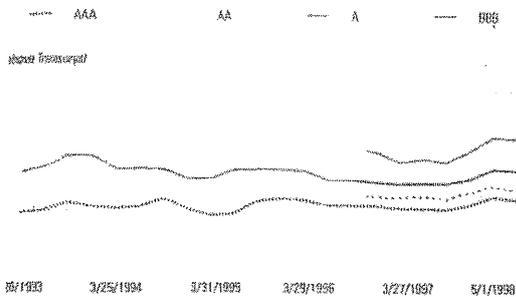


Five plus years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
9/21/2005	92	141	90	80
9/28/2005	94	141	93	89

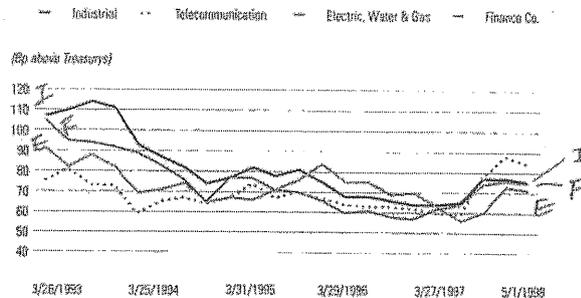
SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY

U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category



includes Yankee bond issues. 8+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
e. Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Industrial spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
	62	72	94	128
	61	72	93	129

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
4/24/1998	74	84	72	74
5/1/1998	75	84	71	75

NEW RATINGS

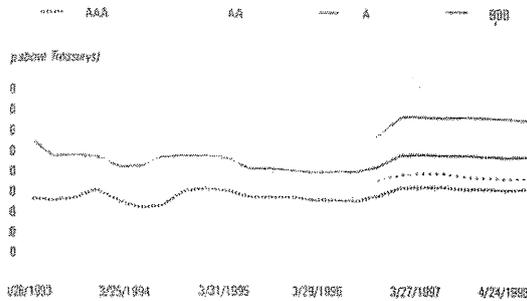
Illinois Inc. [BB+/Stable/—]	
150 mil sr nts due 2005	BB+
150 mil sr nts due 2018	BB+
100 mil sr nts due 2008	BB+
100 mil sr nts due 2010	BB+
150 mil pd stk	BB
I Health Plans, Inc. [Local Currency] [B-/Stable/—]	
edit rating Local Currency	B-/Stable/—
50 mil term loan due 2003	B-
100 mil 1 1/4% nts due 05/15/2005	B-
elsus HealthCare Corp. [B+/Stable/—]	
80 mil revolving credit fac bank ln due 2003	B+
5 mil tranche a term bank ln due 2003	B+
60 mil tranche b term bank ln due 2004	B+
co Inc. [A/Stable/A-1]	
15 mil 6.5% callable debt secs due 05/22/2013	A
tu Technology, Inc. [B+/Positive/—]	
150 mil 6.25% conv sub nts due 12/15/2002	B-
unding Corp. [A-/Stable/A-2]	
140 mil 6.5% sub nts due 05/01/2008 (Std: PNC Bank Corp)	BBB+
al (Republic of) [AA-/Positive/A-1+]	
5M1 bid 5.375% trnds due 06/23/2008	AA-
1F4 bid 5.375% trnds due 06/23/2008	AA-
das de Energia, S.A. de C.V.	
93 4 mil sr secd nts due 2013	BB
Service Co. of Colorado [A-/Positive/A-2]	
150 mil shelf Sr Secd/Sr Unsecd/Pfd Stk Debt 03/05/1998:	
p stk (pnlm)	BBB+
secd (prelim)	A
unsecd (prelim)	BBB+
Service Electric & Gas Co. [A-/Negative/A-2]	
145 mil 7.5% 1st and rfdg mktable rtg bnds ser YY due 2023	A-
ic (Province of) [Local Currency] [A+/Stable/—]	
n Currency [A+/Stable/A-1+]	
3A200 mil fltg rate nts due 03/03/2008	A+
1F2 bid 5.25% bnds due 12/13/2004	A+

NEW RATINGS

Rabobank Nederland N.V. [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
NLG 750 mil 5.25% bnds due 03/12/2013	AAA
ZAR2 bil zero cpa nts due 12/30/2020	AAA
Radio e Televisao Bandeirantes de Minas Gerais [B-/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B-/Stable/—
Radio e Televisao Bandeirantes do Rio de Janeiro [B-/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B-/Stable/—
Radio e Televisao Bandeirantes Ltda. [B-/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B-/Stable/—
\$100 mil nts due 2006 (Std: Radio e Televisao Bandeirantes do Rio de Janeiro, Gtd: Radio e Televisao Portovisao Ltda., Gtd: Radio Educadora de Campinas Ltda., Gtd: Radio e Televisao Bandeirantes de Minas Gerais)	B-
Radio e Televisao Portovisao Ltda. [B-/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B-/Stable/—
Radio Educadora de Campinas Ltda. [B-/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B-/Stable/—
Recycling Industries, Inc. [B/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B/Stable/—
\$250 mil sr nts due 2006	B-
Rental Service Corp. [BB/Positive/—]	
credit rating	BB/Positive/—
\$100 mil term bank ln due 2004	BB
\$200 mil sr sub nts due 2006	B+
\$500 mil revolving credit facility bank ln due 2002	BB
Reseau Ferre de France [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
NLG1 bil 5.25% bnds due 04/14/2010	AAA
Rural Cellular Corp. [B+/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B+/Stable/—
\$100 mil sr exchange pfd stk mandatorily redeemable 2010	B-
\$100 mil sr secd term ln bank ln	B+
\$125 mil sr sub nts due 2006	B-
\$200 mil sr secd revolving credit fac bank ln	B+
Sabadell International Capital Ltd.	
\$1 bil Sr Unsecd/Sub med-term note prog 05/01/1998:	
sr unsecd (Std: Banco Sabadell S.A.)	A/A-1
sub (Std: Banco Sabadell S.A.)	A-

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY

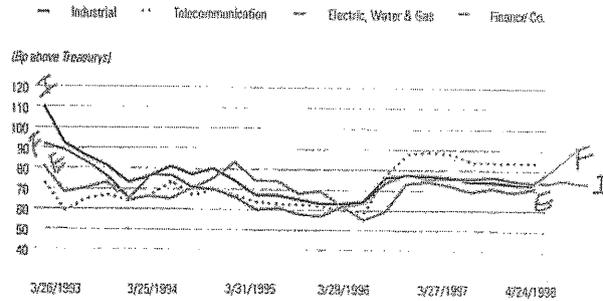
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category



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b. Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
1/17/1993	81	71	63	129
4/24/1998	62	72	64	126

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
4/17/1993	74	64	70	75
4/24/1998	74	64	72	74

NEW RATINGS

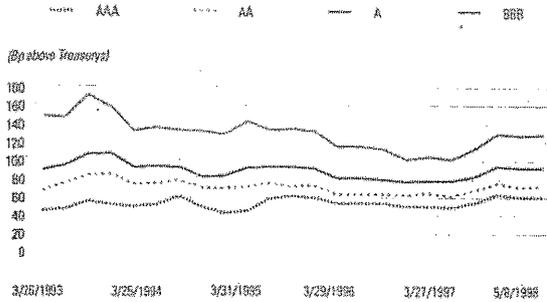
ama (Republic of) Local Currency [BB+/Stable/—] sign Currency [BB+/Stable/B] \$300 mil 6.25% nts due 04/22/2008 \$700 mil 8.875% bnds due 09/30/2027	BB+
ular Finance (Cayman) Ltd. FRF1 bil flg rate due 04/23/2008 (Old Banco Popular Espanol, S.A.)	AA
mac Capital Investment Corp. [BBB+/Stable/A-2] \$700 mil med-term note prog due 9 mos and 1 day from 04/28/1998 through 11/30/2008 sr unsecd	BBB+
MESTAR, Inc. [BB-/Stable/—] credit rating \$400 mil Sr sub nts due 2008	BB-/Stable/— B
al Bank of Scotland PLC [AA-/Stable/A-1+] FRF1 bil jr sub step-up nts	A
ale Belge 1994 SA Local Currency [BBBpV/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBBpV/—/—
nd Group Inc. (The) [BB/Stable/—] \$100,000,000 8 1/4% sr sub nts due 2008	B+
tsung Electronics America Inc. Local Currency [—/—/—/—] sign Currency [BB-/Stable/B] \$300 mil nts due 2003 (Old Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.)	BB-
westdeutsche Landesbank Capital Markets PLC NZD100 mil 8% nts due 09/07/1999	AAA
eden (Kingdom of) Local Currency [AAA/Stable/A-1+] sign Currency [AA+/Stable/A-1+] ECL2 bil 5% bnds due 01/28/2008 FRF500 mil flg rate nts due 02/19/2008	AA+ AA+
edish Export Credit Corp. Local Currency [AAA/Stable/A-1+] sign Currency [AA+/Stable/A-1+] €40 mil 6.14% nts due 11/21/2000	AA+
lss Bank Corp. (Jersey) [AA+/Stable/A-1+] \$2.5 bil 4.6% dual curr nts due 12/05/1999	AA+
lonica de Argentina S.A. Foreign Currency [BBB-/Stable/—] \$200 mil nts due 2008	BBB-

NEW RATINGS

\$1 bil Sr Unsecd med-term note prog 04/29/1998: sr unsecd	BBB-
Tanjin International Trust & Investment Corp. Local Currency [BBB-/Stable/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBB-/Stable/—
Timken Co. [A/Stable/A-1] \$300 mil med-term nts ser A	A
Unibanco-União de Bancos Brasileiros, S.A. Foreign Currency [BB-/Stable/B] \$1A/2 CP prog auth amt \$150 mil (LOC: Bayerische Vereinsbank AG)	A-1+
Volksversorgung Deutsche Sachvers. AG Local Currency [Apj/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	Apj/—/—
Washington Water Power Co. [A/Stable/—] \$250 mil shelf Sr Unsecd Debt 11/05/1997: sr unsecd (prelim)	A+
Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [BBB-/Stable/—] \$300 mil shelf Debt Secs/Pfd Stk reg 04/01/1998: pfd stk (prelim) sr unsecd (prelim)	BBB- BBB-
Westpac Banking Corp. [AA-/Stable/A-1+] CHF200 mil 2.5% bnds due 04/30/2003	AA-
Wilmington Trust Corp. [A/Stable/A-1] credit rating \$125 mil sub nts due 04/2008	A/Stable/A-1 A-
Wisconsin-Michigan Investment Corp. [AA/Stable/—] \$200 mil Sr Unsecd med-term note prog 04/30/1998: sr unsecd	AA
YPF Sociedad Anonima Foreign Currency [BBB-/Stable/—] ECL250 mil med-term nts due 05/2008	BBB-

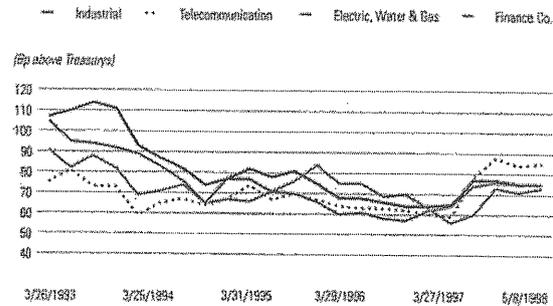
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Sector Relative Value
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U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
5/1/98	61	72	93	128
5/8/98	61	73	93	128

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance co.
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5/8/98	75	85	71	75

NEW RATINGS

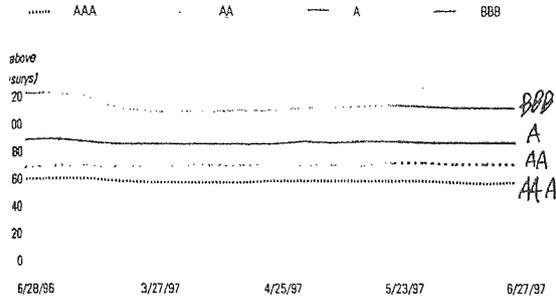
\$200 mil 7.05% deb due 05/15/2018	BBB
\$425 mil 7.15% deb due 05/15/2028	BBB
Unisys Corp. [B+/Stable/—]	
\$700 mil shell Sr Unsec'd/Sub/Pfd Stk Debt 05/09/1998:	
pfd stk (prelim)	CCC+
sr unsec'd (prelim)	B+
sub (prelim)	B-
United Garanti Bank International NV [B+/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B+/Stable/—
United Rentals Inc. [BB/Stable/—]	
credit rating	BB/Stable/—
\$250 mil sr sub nts due 2008	B+
\$300 mil bank ln due 03/30/2001	BB
United States Filter Corp. [BBB/Positive/—]	
mkt'd or redeemable secs (remarketing date May 15, 2003) due 2013	BBB
mkt'd or redeemable secs (remarketing date of May 15, 2001) due 2011	BBB
Waste Systems International Inc. [B/Stable/—]	
credit rating	B/Stable/—
\$80 mil 7% sub nts due 2005	CCC+
Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [BBB-/Stable/—]	
\$150 mil 7.125% sr nts due 05/15/2008	BBB-
Willamette Industries Inc. [A-/Stable/—]	
\$300 mil med-term nts sr C	A-
Wilmington Trust Corp. [A-/Stable/A-1]	
\$225 mil Sr Unsec'd/Sub Debt 04/28/1998:	
sr unsec'd (prelim)	A
sub (prelim)	A-
Worms & CIE [—/—/—/A-1]	
credit rating	—/—/—/A-1
French CP prog auth amt FRF 5 bil	A-1
YPF Sociedad Anonima Foreign Currency [BBB-/Stable/—]	
\$100 mil med-term nts due 2002	BBB-

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

Citibank Credit Card Master Trust I	
CHF \$750 mil credit card part certs ser 1998-4 due 10/16/2008:	
Class A	AAA
CWMBS Inc.	
\$219,581 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-6 due 03/26/2028:	
Class A, A-R (\$219.46 mil) (fig. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.)	AAA
Class PD, X (\$1.11 mil) (fig. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.)	AAA-
\$333,886 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-7 due 06/23/2028:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7, A-8, A-9, A-R (\$333.69 mil) (fig. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.)	AAA
Class PD (\$1.2 mil) (fig. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.)	AAA-
Discover Card Master Trust I	
\$526,316,000 credit card pass-thru certs ser 1998-4 due 10/15/2003:	
Class A (\$500 tr)	AAA
Class B (\$26.32 tr)	A
European Mortgage Securities II BV	
FRF 1 Bil sr Class A1 asset-bckd nts due 2048:	
Class A1 (Gtd. General Re Corp.)	AAA
FRF 200 Mil mezzanine Class M asset-bckd nts due 2048:	
Class M (Gtd. General Re Corp.)	A
NLG 1 Bil sr Class A2 asset-bckd nts due 2048:	
Class A2 (Gtd. General Re Corp.)	AAA
NLG 40 Mil jr Class C nts due 2048:	BBB
First Security Auto Grantor Trust 1998-A	
\$500,650,031 asset-bckd certs ser 1998-A due 04/15/2004:	
Class A (\$478.12 tr)	AAA
Class B (\$22.53 tr)	A
Lease Assets Backed Securities II B.V.	
NLG300 mil class A 4.5% nts ser 1998 due 12/31/2010:	
Class A	AAA
NLG600 mil class B 4.75% nts ser 1998 due 10/08/2012:	
Class B	AAA

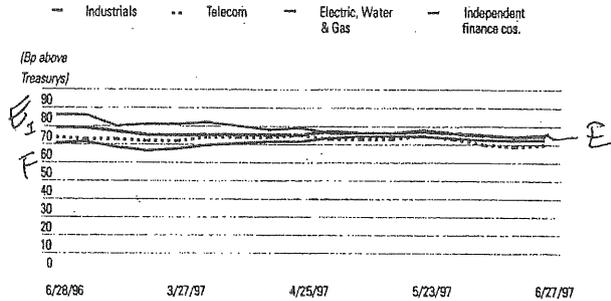
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Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



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Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
6/28/96	50	65	79	105
6/27/97	51	65	79	105

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
6/28/96	63	69	61	67
6/27/97	64	60	63	67

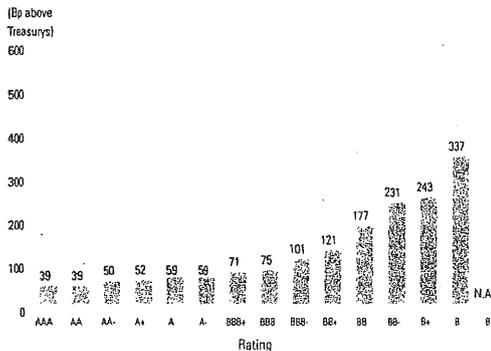
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	To	From
Income Growth Investment Trust PLC		
credit rating	—	—/A-1+
Sterling CP program auth amt 75 mil. ENGLISH POUND	—	A-1+
1 Ltd. [A-/Watch Neg/A-1]		
credit rating	A-/Watch Neg/A-1	A-/Negative/A-1
AUSTRALIAN CP prog auth amt A\$150 mil	A-1/Watch Neg	A-1
ean Inc.		
\$46 mil 7.5% conv sub nts due 08/01/2001 (Std: Waste Management Inc.)	A-	A-/Watch Neg
i-Centers of America Inc. [BB-/Stable/—]		
\$75 mil 6.25% conv sub debts due 03/01/2002	—	B
il Lines Inc.		
\$7.83 mil 8.35% U.S. govt gtd Ship Fin Bd Austral Envoy due 06/29/1997	—	AAA
USA Bank, Wilmington [AA-/Negative/A-1+]		
credit rating	AA-/Negative/A-1+	BBB-/Watch Pos/A-3
\$150 mil 7.65% nts due 08/01/2003	AA-	BB+/Watch Pos
\$1.5 bil bank note program 7 days to 15 yrs: sr unsec'd	AA/A-1+	BBB-/A-3/Watch Pos
\$10 bil Bank Note Program due 7 days to 15 yrs: sr unsec'd	AA/A-1+	BBB-/A-3/Watch Pos
\$1000 mil med-term dep nts prog due 9 mos to 15 yrs: sr unsec'd	AA/A-1+	BBB-/A-3/Watch Pos
\$5 bil bank note prog due 7 days to 15 yrs: sr unsec'd	AA/A-1+	BBB-/A-3/Watch Pos
\$5 bil Deposit Note Program due 9 mos to 15 yrs: sr unsec'd	BB	BBB-/Watch Pos
USA Capital Trust I		
\$200 mil 9.33% cap secs	A	BB-/Watch Pos
USA Inc. [AA-/Negative/—]		
credit rating	AA-/Negative/—	BB+/Watch Pos/—
5.2 mil 6.25% shares of cum convertible pfd stk	A+	BB-/Watch Pos
ing Companies Inc. [BB/Stable/—]		
\$200 mil fltg rate sr nts due 12/15/2001	BB-	B+
\$300 mil 10.625% sr nts due 12/15/2001	BB-	B+

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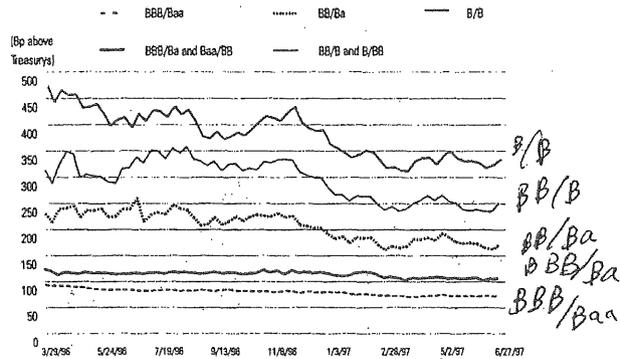
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\$150 mil med-term nts due 9 mos to 15 yrs med-term nts: sr unsec'd	—	B+
\$250 mil Sr Unsec'd med-term note prog ser C due from 9 mos to 30 yrs: sr unsec'd	BB-	B+
\$644.5 mil med-term nts ser B due 9 mos to 15 yrs med-term nts ser B: sr unsec'd	—	B+
Florida Power Corp. [AA-/Negative/A-1+]		
\$200 mil med-term nts: sr unsec'd	—	A+
FPL Group Capital Inc. [A/Stable/A-1]		
\$150 mil 6.5% debts due 07/01/1997 (Std: FPL Group Inc.)	—	A+
General Host Corp. [B-/Negative/—]		
\$40 mil revolving credit fac bank ln due 06/30/1997	—	B-
Great Western Bank, A FSB, Chatsworth, CA [A-/Stable/A-2]		
\$200 mil 9.5% nts due 07/01/1997	—	A-
Harcourt General Inc. [BBB+/Stable/—]		
\$125 mil 9.375% sub debts due 07/01/1997	—	BBB
Health & Retirement Properties Trust Local Currency [BBB/Stable/—]		
credit rating Local Currency	BBB/Stable/—	BBB-/Stable/—
\$130 mil 7.5% conv sub deb ser B due 10/01/2003	BBB-	BB+
\$200 mil fltg rt sr nts ser A & B due 07/13/1999	BBB	BBB-
\$70 mil 7.5% conv sub deb ser A due 10/01/2003	BBB-	BB+
\$345 mil Shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sr Unsec'd/Sub/Sub/Pfd Stk/Pfd Stk Debt Reg 06/07/1994: pfd stk (prelim)	BBB-	BB+
sr unsec'd (prelim)	BBB	BBB-
sub (prelim)	BBB-	BB+
\$750 mil shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sub/Pfd Stk Debt 06/25/1996: pfd stk (prelim)	BBB-	BB+
sr unsec'd (prelim)	BBB	BBB-
sub (prelim)	BBB-	BB+

U.S. INDUSTRIAL SECONDARY MARKET SPREADS



etc: Senior unsecured debt with less than 15 years to maturity.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

HIGH-YIELD INDUSTRIAL INDICES



Note: Includes Two to 10 year maturities and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
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NEW RATINGS Structured Finance

Provident Bank Home Equity Ln Trust 1997-2 \$229 mil home equity ln asset-bckd certs ser 1997-2 due 06/25/2027: Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 (\$70 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA
Class A-5 (\$159 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA
Residential Accreditt Loans, Inc. \$176,009 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-0S5 due 06/25/2027: Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7, A-9 (\$175.67 mil) (liq: Residential Funding Corp.)	AAA
Class A-10, A-11, A-8 (\$34 mil) (liq: Residential Funding Corp.)	AAA
Residential Funding Mortgage Securities I Inc. \$575,778 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-SB due 06/01/2027: Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7, A-8, A-9, R (\$574.99 mil) (liq: Residential Funding Corp.)	AAA
Class A-10, A-11 (\$79 mil) (liq: Residential Funding Corp.)	AAA
Residential Funding Mortgage Securities II Inc. \$122,765 mil hm ln-bckd nts ser 1997-HI3 due 12/25/2022: Class A-PB (\$122.77 mil) (bnd ins: AMBAC Indemnity Corp.)	AAA
Salomon Brothers Mortgage Securities VII Inc. \$100.110 mil new century asset-bckd fltg rt certs ser 1997-NC3 due 06/25/2027: Class A, R-I, R-II (bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc., liq: New Century Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
\$452,835 mil asset-bckd certs ser 1997-LB3 due 06/25/2027: Class A, R-I, R-II, R-III (\$412.25 mil) (liq: Long Beach Mortgage Co.)	AAA
Class M-1 (\$40.59 mil) (liq: Long Beach Mortgage Co.)	AA
SLM Student Loan Trust 1997-2 \$2,496 bil fltg rate stud ln-bckd nts ser 1997-2: Class A-1 (\$1.6 bil)	AAA
Class A-2 (\$908 mil)	AAA
Class Certs (\$97.45 mil)	A+
Superannuation Members' Home Loans Programme Securitisation Fund No.5 \$180 mil 3 mo. BBSW+0.18% mtg-bckd pass-thru bnds due 10/2023:	AAA

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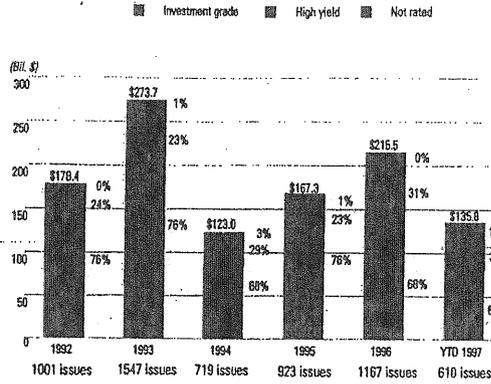
The Money Store Home Equity Trust 1997-B \$970 mil asset-bckd certs ser 1997-B due 6/25/2027: Class A-1 (\$80.5 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	AAA
Class A-10, A-11, A-9 (\$420 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	AAA
Class A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7, A-8 (\$469.5 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	AAA
WB Trust \$50 mil 3 mo. BBSW+0.26% pass-thru class A senior nts due 08/08/2027: Class A	AA

REVISED RATINGS

	To	From
Aeroquip-Vickers Inc. (BBB+/Stable/A-2) credit rating	BBB+/Stable/A-2	BBB/Stable/A-2
\$100 mil 7.875% deb due 06/01/2026	BBB+	BBB
\$100 mil conv sub deb due 10/15/2002	BBB	BBB-
\$50 mil 9.55% st deb due 02/01/2018	BBB+	BBB
\$150 mil St Unsecd med-term note prog due 9 months or more from date of issue: sr unsecd	BBB+	BBB
Alabama Power Co. (A+/Stable/A-1) \$50 mil 7.6% pfd stk	—	A-
Alcatel Alsthom Finance Inc. Foreign Currency [—/—/A-1] credit rating Foreign Currency	—/—/A-1	—/—/A-1+
Canadian CP program auth amt 400 mil. CANADIAN DOLLAR (Gtd: Alcatel Alsthom S.A.)	A-1	A-1+/Watch Neg.
Alcatel Alsthom Finance Ltd. Australian CP program auth amt \$500 mil. (Gtd: Alcatel Alsthom S.A.)	A-1	A-1+
Alcatel Alsthom Inc. (A+/Stable/A-1) credit rating	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Watch Neg/A-1+
3[A]3 CP program auth amt \$1 bil. (Gtd: Alcatel Alsthom S.A.)	A-1	A-1+/Watch Neg.
\$1.5 bil med-term note program: sr unsecd (Gtd: Alcatel Alsthom S.A.)	A+	AA-/Watch Neg.

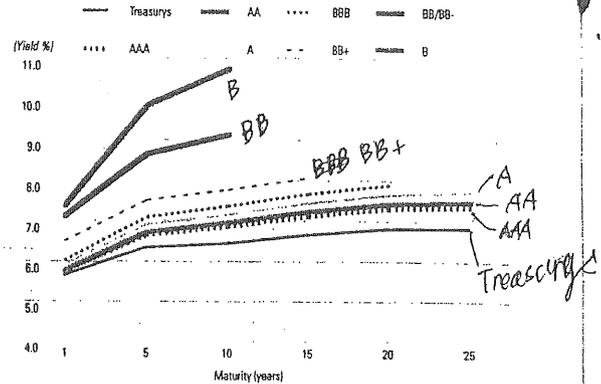
RATINGS TRENDS

U.S. CORPORATE BOND ISSUANCE



Note: Includes Yankee bond issuance.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondBank

TREASURY AND INDUSTRIAL YIELD CURVES



Note: Minimum \$100 million outstanding.
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NEW RATINGS Structured Finance

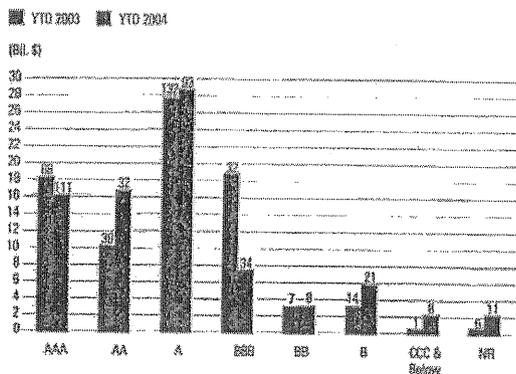
Cityscape Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-C	
\$200 mil home equity ln pass-thru certs ser 1997-C due 07/25/2028:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5 (\$165.87 mil)	AAA
Class B-1A, B-1F (\$7.73 mil)	BBB
Class M-1A (\$9.27 mil)	AA+
Class M-1F (\$6.66 mil)	AA
Class M-2A (\$5.61 mil)	A+
Class M-2F (\$4.87 mil)	A
Emergent Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-2	
\$121.209 mil mtg hm equity lns ser 1997-2 due 07/15/2028:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5 (liq: Emergent Mortgage Corp, bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc.)	AAA
EquiVantage Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-2	
\$100 mil home equity ln asset-bckd certs ser 1997-2:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5 (bnd ins: Financial Guaranty Insurance Co.)	AAA
Green Tree Home Improvement & Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-C	
\$302.233 mil certs for hm imp & hm equity lns ser 1997-C:	
Class HE A-1, HE A-1ARM, HE A-2, HE A-3, HE A-4, HI A-1, HI A-2, HI A-3 (\$251.71 mil) (Std: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE B-1, HI B-1 (\$12.29 mil) (Std: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	BBB
Class HE B-2, HI B-2 (\$5.56 mil) (Std: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	A-
Class HE M-1, HI M-1 (\$20.05 mil) (Std: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AA
Class HE M-2, HI M-2 (\$12.63 mil) (Std: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	A
Interstar RD25 Master Trust	
\$190 mil class A2 due 12/01/2025:	
Class A2	AAA
\$30 mil class B due 12/01/2025:	
Class B	AA-
\$80 mil class A3 due 12/01/2025:	
Class A3	AAA
Mego Mortgage Home Loan Owner Trust 1997-3	
\$104.602 mil hm ln asset-bckd nts ser 1997-3 due 08/25/2023:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 (\$75.05 mil) (liq: Mego Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
Class B (\$5.75 mil) (liq: Mego Mortgage Corp.)	BBB
Class M-1 (\$16.21 mil) (liq: Mego Mortgage Corp.)	AA
Class M-2 (\$7.58 mil) (liq: Mego Mortgage Corp.)	A

NEW RATINGS Structured Finance

Money Store Home Improvement Trust 1997-II	
\$250 mil home imp ln certs ser 1997-II due 07/25/2027:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3 (\$184.38 mil) (liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	AAA
Class B (\$13.75 mil) (liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	BBB
Class M-1 (\$33.13 mil) (liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	AA
Class M-2 (\$18.75 mil) (liq: Money Store Inc. (The))	A
Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc.	
\$104.8 mil Ocwen mtg ln asset-bckd certs ser 1997-1 due 07/25/2027:	
Class A-1 (\$17.73 mil) (bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc.)	AAA
Class A-2 (\$87.12 mil) (bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc.)	AAA
Norwest Asset Securities Corp.	
\$189.574 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-9 due 06/25/2012:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-R (\$183.93 mil)	AAA
Class A-PO, A-W/O (\$8.1 mil)	AA+
Class B-1 (\$95 mil)	A
Class B-2 (\$48 mil)	BBB
Class M (\$1.9 mil)	AA
PNC Mortgage Securities Corp.	
\$284.97 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-4 due 07/25/2027:	
Class IIP, IIP-6, IIX, IP, IX (\$2.13 mil) (liq: PNC Mortgage Securities Corp.)	AA+
Class IIP-1, IIP-2, IIP-3, IIP-4, IIP-5, IIP-1, IIP-2, IIP-3, IIP-4, R, R-1, R-2 (\$282.84 mil) (liq: PNC Mortgage Securities Corp.)	AAA
PNC Student Loan Trust I	
\$1.030 bil stud ln asset bckd nts ser 1997-2:	
Class A-1 (\$90 mil)	A-1+
Class A-2 (\$107 mil)	AAA
Class A-3 (\$107 mil)	AAA
Class A-4 (\$102 mil)	AAA
Class A-5 (\$94 mil)	AAA
Class A-6 (\$72.5 mil)	AAA
Class A-7 (\$121 mil)	AAA
Class A-8 (\$175 mil)	AAA
Class A-9 (\$125.45 mil)	AAA
Class B (\$36.05 mil)	AA

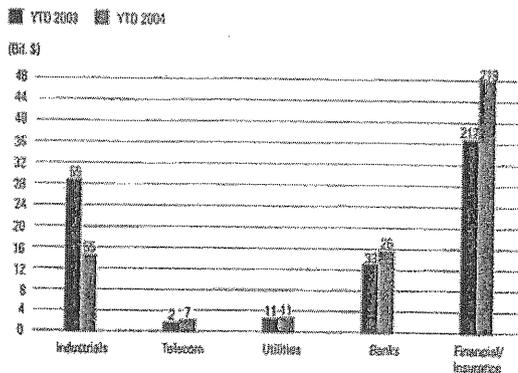
Number of New Issues and Dollar Volume

By Rating Category



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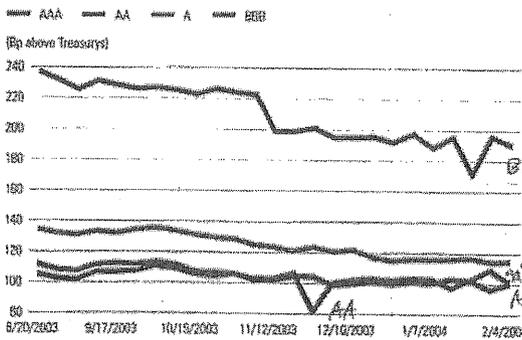
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Spread to Treasury by Rating Category

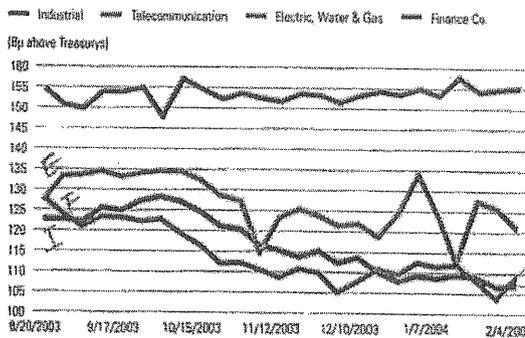
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends By Rating Category



Includes Yankee bond issues, 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
1/27/2004	96	109	115	196
2/4/2004	100	101	115	190

Sector Relative Value Rating Category 'A'



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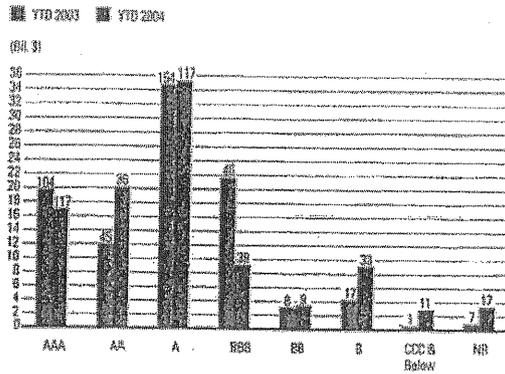
Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
1/27/2004	107	155	126	104
2/4/2004	107	155	121	109

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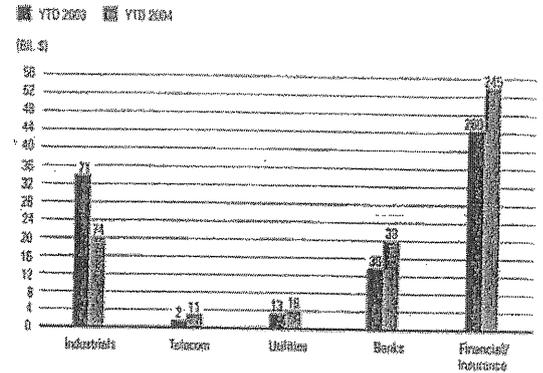
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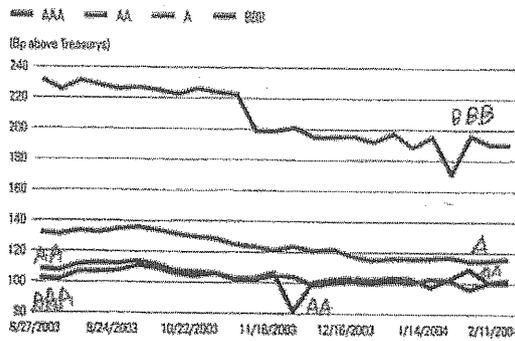
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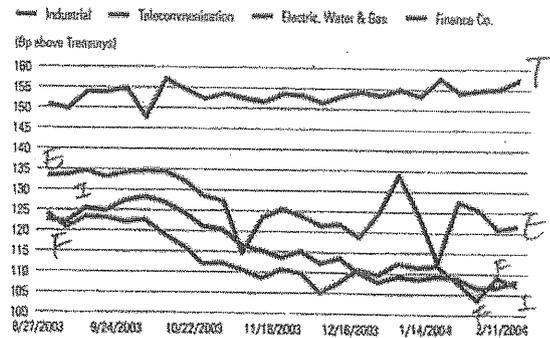
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends By Rating Category



Includes Yankee bond issues, 9+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
2/4/2004	100	101	115	190
2/11/2004	100	102	116	190

Sector Relative Value Rating Category 'A'



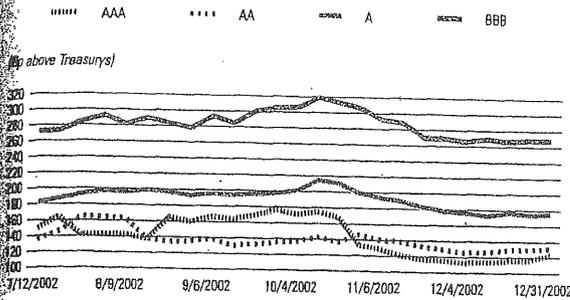
5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
2/4/2004	107	155	121	109
2/11/2004	108	157	122	107

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SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY

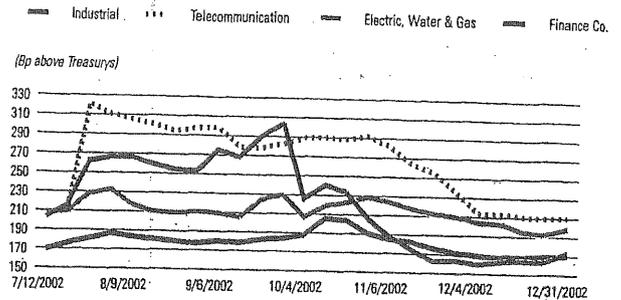
**U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category**



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Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/24/2002	115	130	174	269
12/31/2002	122	131	175	269

**Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'**



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
12/24/2002	168	210	192	163
12/31/2002	169	210	198	173

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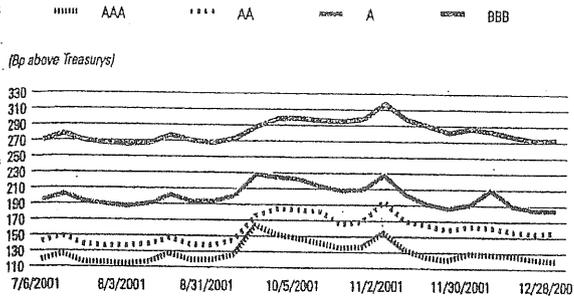
\$50 mil 5% nts due 12/19/2007	AAA
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\$50 mil 5.65% nts due 12/19/2017	AAA
\$50 mil 5.67% nts due 12/19/2017	AAA
\$50 mil 6.13% nts due 12/16/2022	AAA
\$50 mil 6.14% nts due 12/16/2022	AAA
\$50 mil step up nts due 12/20/2005	AAA
Federal Home Loan Banks	
\$100 mil 1.55% Domestic bnds ser BF-7004 due 01/13/2004	AAA
\$100 mil 1.55% Domestic bnds ser BG-7004 due 01/13/2004	AAA
\$100 mil 1.92% Domestic bnds ser U-7004 due 06/17/2004	AAA
\$100 mil 2.32% Domestic bnds ser BB-7004 due 12/17/2004	AAA
\$100 mil 2.4% Domestic bnds ser VV-7004 due 12/20/2004	AAA
\$100 mil 4.6% Domestic bnds ser NE-2010 due 07/16/2010	AAA
\$100 mil 4.75% Domestic bnds ser BH-2009 due 12/18/2009	AAA
\$100 mil 6% Domestic bnds ser KE-2017 due 12/20/2017	AAA
\$109.945 mil 1.42% Domestic bnds ser K8-8003 due 12/18/2003	AAA
\$113.43 mil 1.475% Domestic bnds ser K6-8003 due 12/23/2003	AAA
\$125 mil 4.17% Domestic bnds ser B8-9007 due 12/20/2007	AAA
\$135 mil 6% Domestic bnds ser KZ-2017 due 12/19/2017	AAA
\$150 mil 1.55% Domestic bnds ser BI-7004 due 01/14/2004	AAA
\$200 mil 1.55% Domestic bnds ser BL-7004 due 01/14/2004	AAA
\$200 mil 4.125% Domestic bnds ser D7-9007 due 12/19/2007	AAA
\$200 mil 6% Domestic bnds ser KF-2017 due 12/20/2017	AAA
\$215 mil 1.6% Domestic bnds ser BD-7004 due 01/09/2004	AAA
\$250 mil 3.125% Domestic bnds ser CP-7005 due 12/19/2005	AAA
\$260 mil 3.44% Domestic bnds ser LY-8006 due 09/19/2006	AAA
\$275 mil 3.1% Domestic bnds ser PS-8006 due 12/20/2006	AAA

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\$275 mil 3.25% Domestic bnds ser H7-9007 due 06/20/2007	AAA
\$325 mil 1.6% Domestic bnds ser AZ-7004 due 01/09/2004	AAA
\$350 mil 3.1% Domestic bnds ser BQ-7005 due 12/16/2005	AAA
\$390 mil 2% bnds ser EE-7004 due 06/17/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 1.625% Domestic bnds ser J6-8003 due 12/17/2003	AAA
\$50 mil 2.26% Domestic bnds ser AC-9007 due 09/20/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 2.26% Domestic bnds ser TT-7004 due 09/20/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 2.29% Domestic bnds ser Y-7004 due 12/16/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 2.45% Domestic bnds ser LL-7004 due 12/20/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 2.5% Domestic bnds ser BV-7005 due 04/15/2005	AAA
\$50 mil 2.5% Domestic bnds ser NN-7004 due 12/20/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 2.52% Domestic bnds ser AE-7004 due 12/17/2004	AAA
\$50 mil 2.625% Domestic bnds ser AF-7005 due 06/17/2005	AAA
\$50 mil 2.84% Domestic bnds ser AI-7005 due 09/16/2005	AAA
\$50 mil 2.9% Domestic bnds ser AX-7005 due 06/20/2005	AAA
\$50 mil 3.03% Domestic bnds ser YY-7005 due 12/19/2005	AAA
\$50 mil 3.06% Domestic bnds ser KT-8006 due 06/16/2006	AAA
\$50 mil 3.21% Domestic bnds ser BM-7005 due 12/20/2005	AAA
\$50 mil 3.5% Domestic bnds ser JS-8006 due 09/18/2006	AAA
\$50 mil 3.52% Domestic bnds ser LM-8006 due 06/20/2006	AAA
\$50 mil 3.875% Domestic bnds ser C2-9007 due 12/17/2007	AAA
\$50 mil 4% Domestic bnds ser 9H-9007 due 12/18/2007	AAA
\$50 mil 4% Domestic bnds ser 9Q-9007 due 12/20/2007	AAA
\$50 mil 4% Domestic bnds ser 9Z-9007 due 06/20/9007	AAA
\$50 mil 4% Domestic bnds ser A1-9007 due 06/20/2007	AAA
\$50 mil 4.15% Domestic bnds ser A9-9007 due 12/20/2007	AAA
\$50 mil 4.165% Domestic bnds ser 9W-9007 due 12/20/2007	AAA
\$50 mil 5.42% Domestic bnds ser KR-2017 due 12/19/2017	AAA
\$50 mil 5.435% Domestic bnds ser S-2022 due 12/20/2022	AAA
\$50 mil 6% Domestic bnds ser KG-2017 due 12/20/2017	AAA

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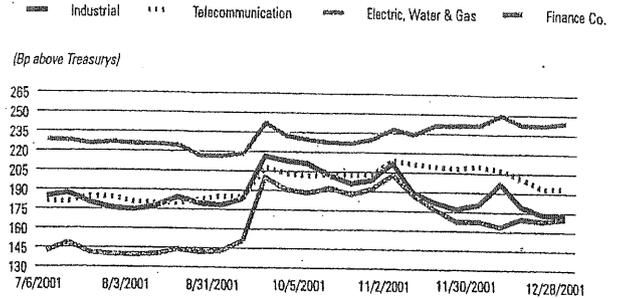
**U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category**



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Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

U.S. Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/21/2001	123	155	185	272
12/28/2001	121	156	185	273

**Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'**



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
12/21/2001	173	193	242	168
12/28/2001	173	194	244	170

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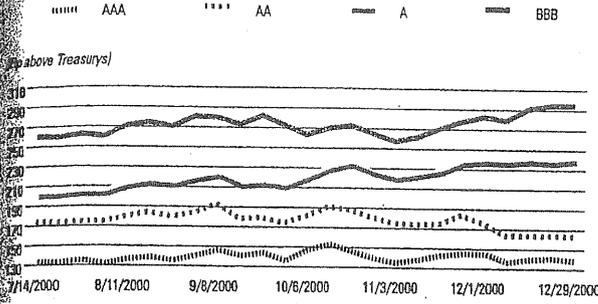
Natexis Banques Populaires [A/Positive/A-1] €500 mil fltg rate nts due 12/19/2003	A
National Bank of New Zealand Ltd. (The) [AA-/Stable/A-1+] \$3 bil Euro CP prog	A-1+
Nationwide Building Society [A+/Stable/A-1] €50 mil fltg rate nts ser 260 due 12/06/2002	A+
Nederlandse Waterschapsbank N.V. [AAA/Stable/A-1+] £50 mil 3% bnds due 08/23/2011	AAA
NIB Capital Bank N.V. [AA-/Negative/A-1+] €150 mil fltg rate nts due 05/28/2003	AA-
Ohio Wtr Dev Auth \$10 mil Ohio Wtr Dev Auth envr fac rev (Premcor Refining Group Inc Proj) bnds ser 2001 due 11/01/2031	BB-/Watch Dev
Oman LNG LLC \$1.3 bil bank ln due 2017	A-
Patriot Funding LLC 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$3 bil	A-1
Pennsylvania Suburban Water Co [A+/Stable/—] credit rating	A+/Stable/—
Pharmacia Corp. [AA-/Stable/A-1+] 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$1 bil	A-1+
Pope Cnty \$47 mil 5.05% rev rfdg (Entergy Arkansas Inc Proj) bnds ser 2001 due 09/01/2028	BBB-
Popular Preference (Cayman) Ltd. €200 mil fltg rate Pref stk ser B (Gtd: Banco Popular Espanol, S.A.)	A
PPL Energy Supply LLC [BBB/Stable/A-2] 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$1.1 bil	A-2

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River Fuel Co. No. 2 Inc. 3(A)2 CP prog auth amt \$55 mil (LOC: Bank of New York, NY)	A-1+
Rodamco North America N.V. [BBB/Developing/—] credit rating	BBB/Developing/—
Salomon Smith Barney Holdings Inc. [AA-/Stable/A-1+] \$10.5 mil linked to the NASDAQ-100 Index med-term nts ser K due 12/14/2004	AA-
Sanmina - SCI Corporation [BB+/Stable/—] \$600 mil sr secd credit fac bank ln	BB+
Sigma-Aldrich Corp. [A-/Stable/A-2] credit rating	A-/Stable/A-2
\$150 mil revol credit fac due 2002 bank ln	A-
\$150 mil revol credit fac due 2006 bank ln	A-
4(2) CP prog auth amt \$300 mil	A-2
SNS bank Nederland N.V. [A/Stable/A-1] \$30 mil Range accrual index-linked nts ser 233 due 11/05/2003	A
Stryker Corp. [BBB+/Positive/—] \$250 mil 364 day revol credit fac bank ln	BBB+
\$750 mil revol credit fac bank ln due 2006	BBB+
Swedish Export Credit Corp. [AA+/Stable/A-1+] ¥5 bil fltg rate index-linked bnds ser 1 due 12/18/2013	AA+
€100 mil 4.75% nts due 12/20/2006	AA+
€100 mil 3.45% nts due 11/28/2005	AA+
Talisman Energy Inc. [BBB+/Positive/—] \$80 mil 5.8% med-term nts due 01/30/2007	BBB+
€500 mil sr unsecd med-term nt prog 04/17/2000: sr unsecd	BBB+
Telstra Corp. Ltd. [AA-/Stable/A-1+] €1 bil 5.875% nts due 06/21/2005	AA-

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY

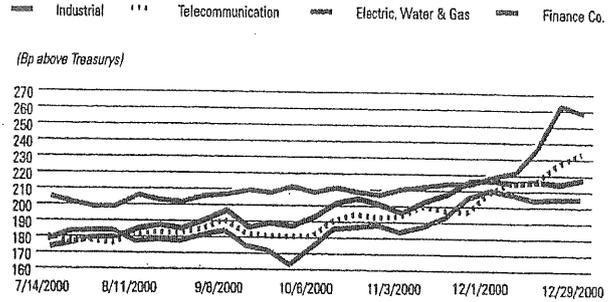
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category



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Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/22/2000	143	164	238	295
12/29/2000	141	163	241	295

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
12/22/2000	215	227	264	205
12/29/2000	216	233	258	205

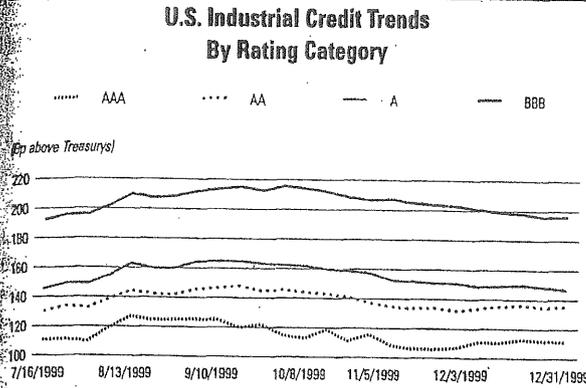
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Landesbank Rheinland-Pfalz Girozentrale [AA/Negative/A-1+] €20 mil 5.5% bnds due 11/11/2003 (Gtd: Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale, Gtd: Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg)	AA
Landesbank Schleswig-Holstein Girozentrale [—/—/A-1+] 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$5 bil (Gtd: Schleswig-Holstein (State of), Gtd: Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale, Gtd: Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg)	A-1+
Landes-Hypothekbank Tirol AG [AA+/Negative/A-1+] EUR2 bil sr unsecd/sub/S-T debt med-term nt prog: sr unsecd	AA+
S-T debt	A-1+
sub	AA+
Landes-und Hypothekbank Vorarlberg AG [AAA/Negative/A-1+] EUR75 mil fltg rate nts due 11/30/2010 (Gtd: Vorarlberg (State of))	AAA
Levi Strauss & Co. [BB/Negative/—] \$350 mil term bank ln ser A due 2003	BB
\$400 mil bank ln ser B due 2003	BB
\$750 mil rev credit fac bank ln due 2003	BB
Monumental Global Funding Ltd. ¥2 bil 1.9% nts ser 2000-U due 12/29/2010 (gic: Monumental Life Insurance Co.)	AA+
Nationwide Building Society [A+/Stable/A-1] \$2 bil sr unsecd/sub/S-T debt med-term nt prog 11/23/2000: sr unsecd	A+
S-T debt	A-1
sub	A
Nationwide Financial Funding LLC EUR50 mil fltg rate 1-mo Euribor nts ser 16 due 12/29/2003 (gic: Nationwide Life Insurance Co.)	AA

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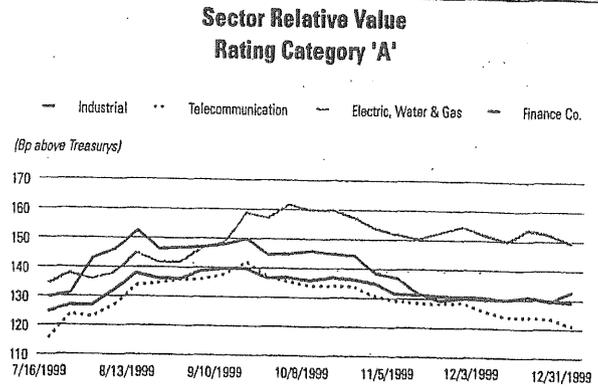
Paradigm Funding LLC 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$10 bil	A-1
Prime Capital Calquaque & Eurowind Ltd. \$129 mil fltg rate Libor + 7.50% nts due 01/07/2004 (gic: Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc.)	BB
Prime Capital Hurricane Ltd. \$159 mil fltg rate Libor + 6.50% nts due 01/07/2004 (gic: Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc.)	BB+
Principal Financial Global Funding, LLC EUR50 mil fltg rate 1-mo Euribor + 9bp nts ser 28 due 01/02/2003 (gic: Principal Life Insurance Co.)	AA
Proliance Insurance Co. Local Currency [R/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	R/—/—
Public Square Funding LLC 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$2 bil Series II	A-1
Regency Centers, L.P. [BBB/Stable/—] US\$10 mil senior unsecured nts	BBB
Rheinboden Hypothekbank AG EUR25 mil fltg rate oeffentl pfandbriefe ser S7031 due 12/05/2003	AAA
Scotiabank Europe PLC \$8 bil sr unsecd Euro med-term nt prog 12/14/2000: sr unsecd (Gtd: Bank of Nova Scotia)	A+/A-1
Shinkong Insurance Co. Ltd. Local Currency [A-/Stable/—] credit rating Local Currency	A-/Stable/—
Siebel Systems Inc. [BB/Positive/—] credit rating	BB/Positive/—
\$300 mil 5.5% conv sub deb due 09/15/2006	B+
Stonehenge Capital Fund New York LLC \$2.867 mil sr struct nts ser 2000B-2 due 12/15/2011 (Gtd: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY



Note: Includes Yankee bond issues. 9+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.
The yields dated 9/22/1999 have been revised. The figures may be obtained by calling (1) 212-438-6516.

U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/24/1999	112	135	149	195
12/31/1999	111	135	147	196



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.
The yields dated 9/22/1999 have been revised. The figures may be obtained by calling (1) 212-438-6516.

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
12/24/1999	130	124	152	129
12/31/1999	129	121	149	133

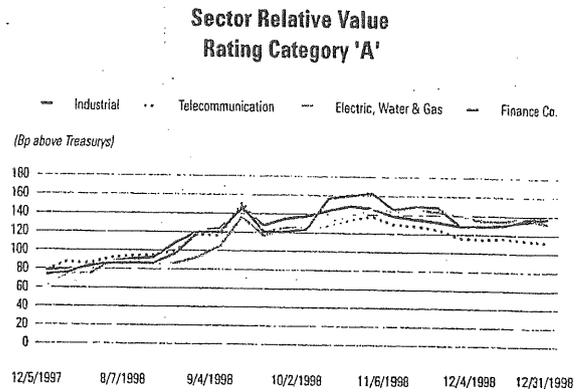
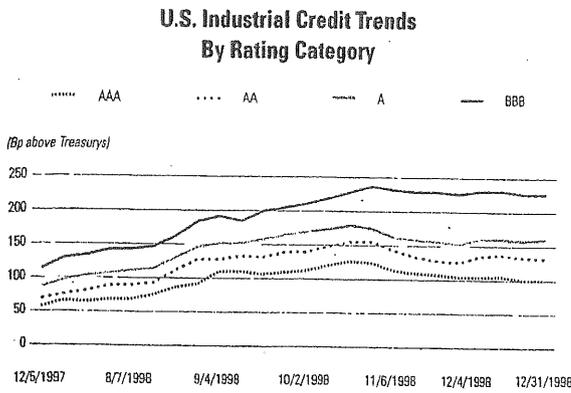
NEW RATINGS

SNS Bank Nederland N.V. [A/Stable/A-1] £200 mil fltg rate nts due 12/02/2004	A
EUR100 mil fltg rate nts due 12/08/2004	A
Sydney Airports Corp. Ltd. [A+/Negative/A-1] A\$600 mil med-term note program: S-T debt	A-1
Transocean Sedco Forex Inc. [A/Stable/A-1] \$400 mil term bank ln due 2004 4(2) CP prog auth amt \$500 mil	A-1
Transportadora de Gas del Sur S.A. (TGS) [BBB-/Negative/—] \$200 mil bnds due 06/2000	BBB-
Tucson Electric Power Co. [BB/Stable/—] \$100 mil bank ln due 12/30/2002 \$341 mil bank ln due 12/30/2002	BB
Unistar Insurance Co. Local Currency [Bpi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	Bpi/—/—
United Liberty Life Insurance Co. Local Currency [BBpi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBpi/—/—
Veneto Banca SCRL [BBB+/Stable/A-2] EUR500 mil Sr Unsecd/Sub med-term note prog 12/07/1999: sr unsecd sub	BBB+ BBB
Westfield Trust [A/Stable/A-1] A\$150 mil 6.25% nts due 10/15/2002 A\$200 mil 7.5% nts due 10/15/2004	A A

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-4 US\$220 mil mortgage backed notes series 1999-4: Class A-1 (\$100 mil) (liq: Bank of New York, NY, bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc.) Class A-2, A-3 (\$120 mil) (liq: Bank of New York, NY, bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc.)	AAA AAA
Antares Funding L.P. US\$600 mil floating and fixed rate notes: Class A-1 (\$340 mil) Class A-2 (\$50 mil) Class A-3 (\$95 mil) Class B-1 (\$11.5 mil) Class B-2 (\$36.5 mil)	AAA AAA AAA A A-
Appleton Hsg Auth (SPE) US\$5 mil multifamily housing adjustable rate revenue refunding bonds, (The Mills II Project):	A+/A-1
Ares III CLO Ltd US\$410 mil floating and fixed rate notes: Class A-1 (\$261 mil) Class A-2 (\$95 mil) Class A-3 (\$24 mil)	AAA AA- AA-
Brown Cnty Hsg Auth (SPE) US\$4 mil multifamily housing adjustable rate revenue refunding bonds, (Lawton Foundry Project) series 1999:	A+/A-1
Catalina CDO, Ltd. US\$202 mil floating and fixed rate notes: Class A-1 (\$99 mil) Class A-2 (\$15 mil)	AAA AAA
Centex Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-4 US\$305 mil home equity loan asset-backed certificates series 1999-4: Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7 (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY



Note: Includes Yankee bond issues, 9+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/24/1998	98	134	156	227
12/31/1998	98	132	158	227

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
12/24/1998	133	114	136	137
12/31/1998	136	112	130	138

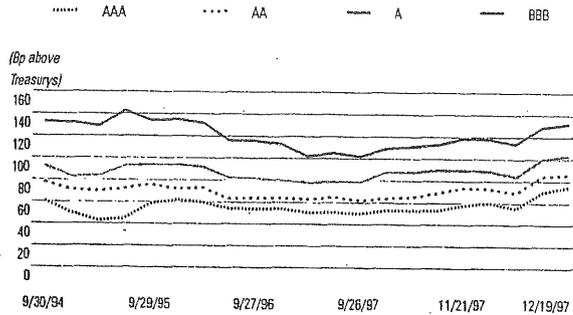
NEW RATINGS

EUR3.66 bil 3% OAT dated 1998/2009 bnds due 07/25/2009	AAA
EUR3.758 bil fltg rate OAT dated 1990/2001 bnds ser TIME due 01/25/2001	AAA
EUR4.48 bil 5.5% OAT dated 1997/2007 bnds due 04/25/2007	AAA
EUR403.99 mil 6.57% bnds ser 7/84 due 07/17/2000	AAA
EUR498.6 mil 8% OAT dated 1993/2003 bnds due 04/25/2003	AAA
EUR5.485 bil 8.5% OAT dated 1991/2012 bnds due 12/26/2012	AAA
EUR5.554 bil 5.5% OAT dated 1998/2029 bnds due 04/25/2029	AAA
EUR531.5 mil 9.5% OAT dated 1991/2000 bnds due 04/25/2000	AAA
EUR610 mil 4% OAT dated 1998/2009 bnds due 04/25/2009	AAA
EUR7.967 bil 8.125% OAT dated 1989/1999 bnds due 05/25/1999	AAA
EUR742.6 mil 8.5% OAT dated 1992/2002 bnds due 03/15/2002	AAA
EUR8.789 bil 8.5% OAT dated 1990/2000 bnds due 03/28/2000	AAA
EUR875.9 mil 6.75% OAT dated 1997/2002 bnds due 04/25/2002	AAA
EUR9.034 bil 6.25% OAT dated 1996/2004 bnds due 02/27/2004	AAA
EUR9.336 bil 6.5% OAT dated 1998/2011 bnds due 04/25/2011	AAA
EUR9.34 bil 5.25% OAT dated 1998/2008 bnds due 04/25/2008	AAA
EUR9.35 bil 8.5% OAT dated 1991/2019 bnds due 10/25/2019	AAA
EUR9.417 bil 6% OAT dated 1998/2025 bnds due 10/25/2025	AAA
EUR9.601 bil 9.5% OAT dated 1993/2001 bnds due 01/25/2001	AAA
EUR932.988 mil 11% bnds due 02/21/1999	AAA
FW Capital Trust I	
\$150 mil pfd secs (Gtd: Foster Wheeler Corp.)	BBB-
General Funding	
FRF1 bil French CP prog (lq: Bayerische Landesbank Girozentrale)	A-1
Goldman Sachs Group L.P. (The) [A+/Negative/A-1+]	
\$865 mil fltg rate med-term nts due 01/07/2000	A+
Guess ? Inc. [BB+/Negative/-]	
\$127.5 mil 9.5% sr sub nts ser B due 08/15/2003	BB-
Hannover International AG fur Industrievers. Local Currency [BBBpi/-/-]	
credit rating Local Currency	BBBpi/-/-
Hexcel Corp. [BB-/Negative/-]	
\$275 mil sr sub nts due 2009	B+
HSBC Bamerindus Seguros SA Local Currency [Bpi/-/-]	
credit rating Local Currency	Bpi/-/-
International Finance Corp. [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
\$70 mil 4.56% nts due 01/28/2003	AAA
EUR125 mil 10% nts due 02/05/2000	AAA

NEW RATINGS

GRD20 bil 6.5% nts due 01/22/2002	AAAr
Italy (Republic of) [AA/Stable/A-1+]	
CHF1.5 bil 3.125% bnds due 07/15/2010	AA
Euro CP prog auth amt EUR6 bil	A-1+
GRD20 bil 7% nts due 01/04/2002	AAr
KfW International Finance Inc. [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
€250 mil 5.5% nts due 12/07/2000 (Gtd: Kreditanstalt fuer Wiederaufbau)	AAA
Kreditanstalt fuer Wiederaufbau [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
Euro CP prog auth amt EUR5 bil	A-1+
Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
credit rating	AAA/Stable/A-1+
sub debt indic (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
Locindus S.A. [A-/Stable/A-2]	
credit rating	A-/Stable/A-2
FRF500 mil nts due 2006	A-
FRF1 bil 6.5% bnds due 2004	A-
FRF300 mil 8% bnds due 2003	A-
FRF500 mil 6% bnds due 2007	A-
FRF600 mil CD PROGRAM (BISF)	A-2
Mannheimer Versicherung AG Local Currency [Api/-/-]	
credit rating Local Currency	Api/-/-
Mitsubishi Corp. [A+/Watch Neg/A-1]	
¥10 bil 2% straight bnds ser 15 due 01/27/2006	A+/Watch Neg
¥15 bil 2.58% Unsec Straight bnds ser 14 due 01/20/2009	A+/Watch Neg
National Bank of Slovakia	
SKK1 mil 15% nts due 01/14/2001	BBB+
National Farm Life Insurance Co. Local Currency [BBBpi/-/-]	
credit rating Local Currency	BBBpi/-/-
National States Insurance Co. Local Currency [BBpi/-/-]	
credit rating Local Currency	BBpi/-/-
Netherlands (Kingdom of The) [AAA/Stable/A-1+]	
EUR1.252 bil 9% bnds ser 3 due 07/01/2000	AAA
EUR1.28 bil 8.75% bnds ser 1 due 05/01/2000	AAA
EUR1.361 bil 7% bnds ser 4 due 08/15/1999	AAA
EUR1.452 bil 7.25% bnds due 07/15/1999	AAA
EUR1.497 bil 6.5% bnds due 01/15/1999	AAA

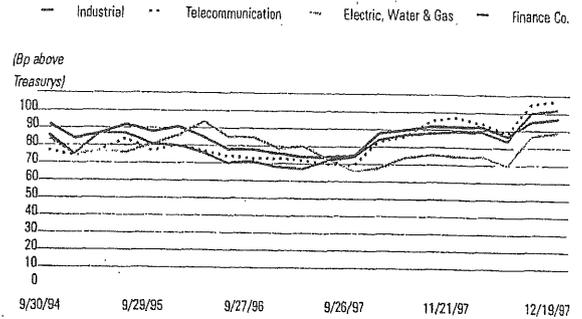
**U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category**



Note: Includes Yankee bond issues. 9+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.
*Note: Data as of 12/19/97

U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
12/12/97	70	84	100	129
12/19/97	75	86	103	132

**Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'**



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.
*Note: Data as of 12/19/97

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
12/12/97	85	95	77	90
12/19/97	87	97	79	92

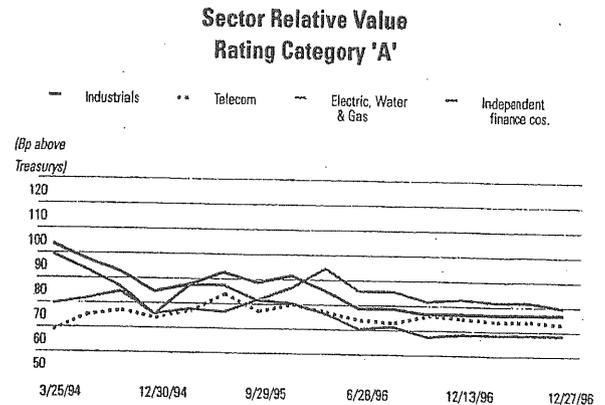
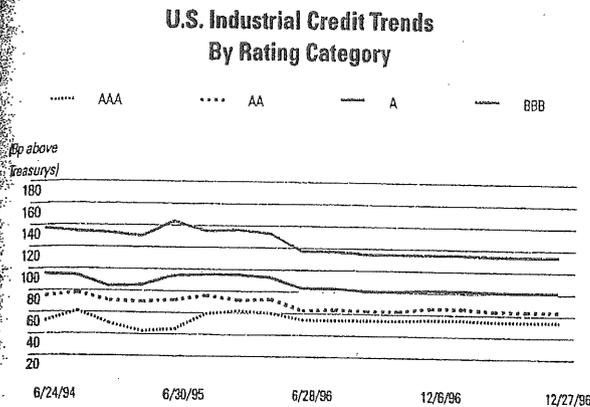
NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

Class A-5 (\$96.54 mil)	AAA
Class A-6 (\$197.58 mil)	AAA
Class A-7 (\$63.54 mil)	AAA
Capita Equipment Receivables Trust 1997-1	
\$1.1 bil rec-bckd nts ser 1997-1 due 10/16/2006:	
Class A-1 (\$272.5 mil)	A-1+
Class A-2 (\$252 mil)	AAA
Class A-3 (\$153 mil)	AAA
Class A-4 (\$261.21 mil)	AAA
Class A-5 (\$105 mil)	AAA
Class B (\$68.82 mil)	A+
Class C (\$34.41 mil)	BBB+
CENTO Trust 1997-1	
\$81.477 mil certs ser 1997-1 due 08/15/2001:	
Class A-1 (\$16.48 mil)	A
Class A-2 (\$65 mil)	A
Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp.	
\$724.455 mil comm mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-2 due 12/19/20027:	
Class A-1, A-2 (\$566.08 mil) (liq: State Street Bank & Trust Co., Boston, MA)	AAA
Class B (\$32.56 mil) (liq: State Street Bank & Trust Co., Boston, MA)	AA
Class C (\$48.84 mil) (liq: State Street Bank & Trust Co., Boston, MA)	A
Class D (\$44.77 mil) (liq: State Street Bank & Trust Co., Boston, MA)	BBB
Class E (\$12.21 mil) (liq: State Street Bank & Trust Co., Boston, MA)	BBB
CHYPS CBO 1997-1 LTD	
\$266.600 mil nts & set-up cpn nts ser 1997-1 due 01/15/2010:	
Class A-1 (\$45 mil)	AAA
Class A-2A (\$143.69 mil)	AAA
Class A-2B (\$20.81 mil)	AAAr
Class A-3 (\$57.1 mil)	A-
Citicorp Mortgage Securities Inc.	
\$192.926 mil REMIC pass-thru certs ser 1997-7 due 12/25/2027:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5 (\$192.55 mil) (liq: Citicorp Mortgage Securities Inc.)	AAA
Class A-6, A-7 (\$.38 mil) (liq: Citicorp Mortgage Securities Inc.)	AAAr

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

Class Notes Trust 1997-1	
\$280 mil asset-bckd nts & certs ser 1997-2 due 04/01/2026:	
Class A-4 (\$150 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
Class A-5 (\$57.5 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
Class A-6 (\$57.5 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
Commercial Mortgage Acceptance Corp.	
\$746.664 mil comm mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-ML1 due 12/30/2030:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 (\$576.97 mil) (liq: LaSalle National Bank, Chicago, IL)	AAA
Class B (\$59.39 mil) (liq: LaSalle National Bank, Chicago, IL)	AA
Class C (\$46.67 mil) (liq: LaSalle National Bank, Chicago, IL)	A
Class D (\$46.67 mil) (liq: LaSalle National Bank, Chicago, IL)	BBB
Class E (\$16.97 mil) (liq: LaSalle National Bank, Chicago, IL)	BBB-
Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp.	
\$860.873 mil comm mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-C2 due 01/17/2035:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3 (liq: First Union National Bank, Charlotte)	AAA
Emergent Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-4	
\$148.5 mil home equity ln asset-bckd nts ser 1997-4 due 12/2028:	
Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6 (bnd ins: Financial Security Assurance Inc., liq: Emergent Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-4	
\$108 mil mtg ln asset-bckd certs ser 1997-4 due 01/2028:	
Class A-1, A-2 (\$56 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., liq: First Alliance Mortgage Co.)	AAA
Class A-3 (\$50 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., liq: First Alliance Mortgage Co.)	AAA
Green Tree Financial Corp.	
\$835 mil certs home imp & home equity lns, ser 1997-E due 01/01/2028:	
Class HE-A-1 (\$210.94 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE-A-2 (\$123.69 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE-A-3 (\$72.25 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE-A-4 (\$10.79 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE-A-5 (\$14.08 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE-A-6 (\$35 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class HE-A-7 IO (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAAr
Class HE-A1 Arm (\$130 mil) (liq: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA

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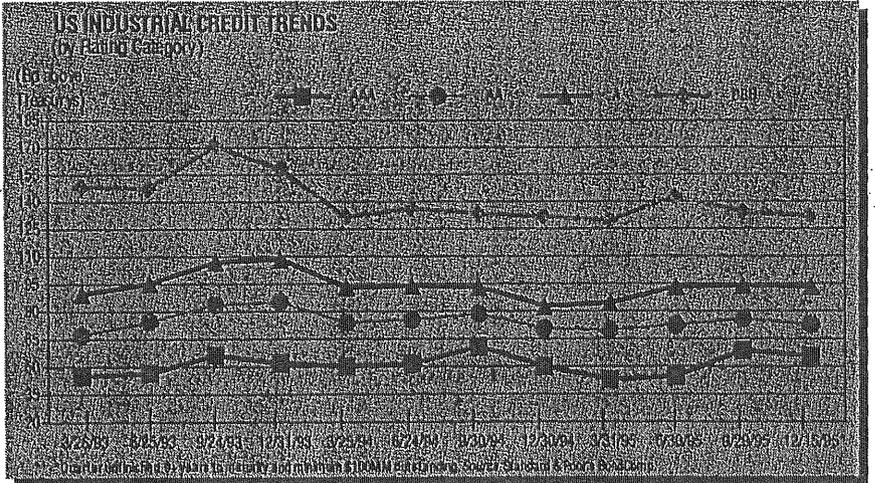
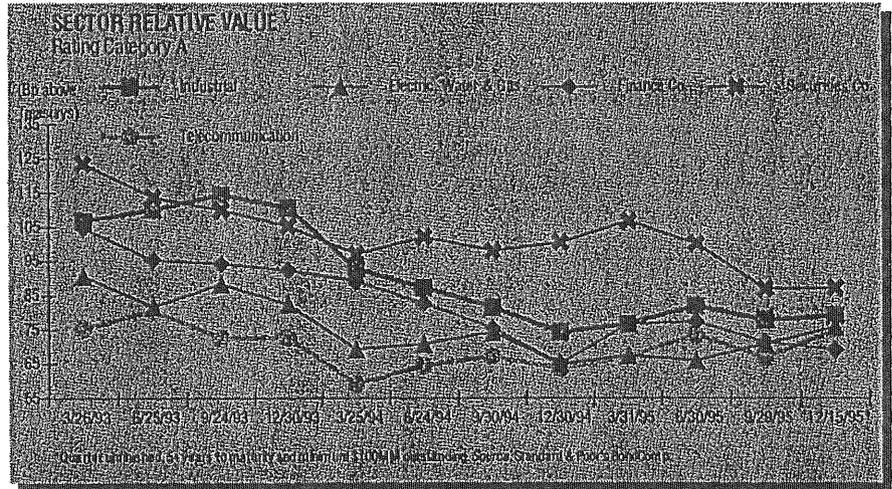
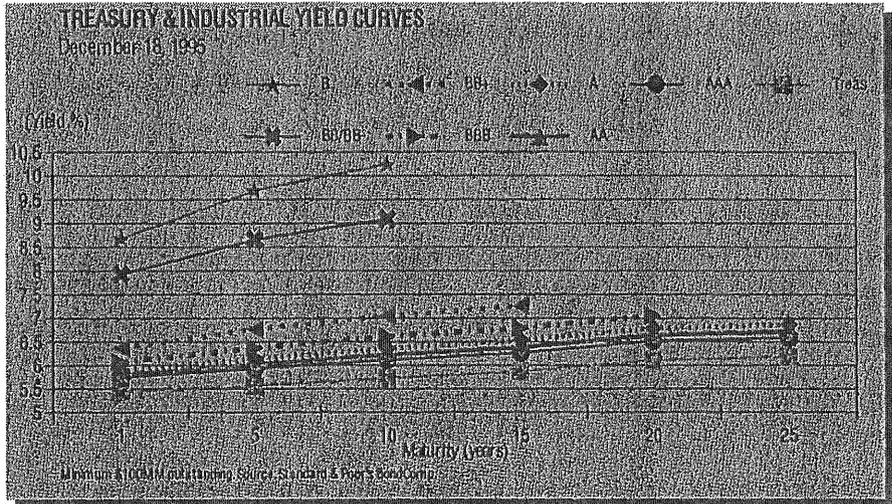
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U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
7/20/96	54	64	80	113
7/7/96	54	64	80	113

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
12/20/96	66	64	71	58
12/27/96	66	63	69	58

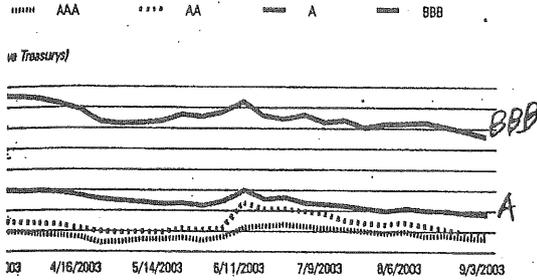
REVISED RATINGS		
	To	From
Providian Life & Health Insurance Co. Local Currency [AA+/Watch Pos/A-1+]		
CPA	AA+/Watch Pos	AA+
credit rating Local Currency	AA+/Watch Pos/A-1+	AA+/-/A-1+
Providian LLC		
\$100 mil mthly income pdk stk (MPS) (Gtd: Providian Corp.)	AA-/Watch Pos	AA-
Providian National Bank [A/Watch Neg/A-1]		
credit rating	A/Watch Neg/A-1	A/Stable/A-1
\$3.5 bil Sr Unsecd/Sub bank note prog due 7 days to 15 yrs:		
sr unsecd	A/Watch Neg/A-1	A/A-1
sub	A-/Watch Neg/A-2	A-/A-2
RCI Finance Corp. N.Y.		
\$70 mil 280 shares, voting auc market pfd stk, liquidation pref \$250,000 per share ser D (LOC: Credit Suisse First Boston)	AA	AA+/Watch Neg
Rexene Corp. [BB-/Watch Dev/-]		
credit rating	BB-/Watch Dev/-	BB-/Stable/-
\$175 mil 11.75% sr nts due 12/01/2004	BB-/Watch Dev	BB-
RHG Finance Corp. [BBB-/Watch Neg/-]		
credit rating	BBB-/Watch Neg/-	BBB-/Stable/-
\$120 mil 8.875% gtd nts due 10/01/2005	BBB-/Watch Neg	BBB
Selmer Co. Inc. (The)		
\$110 mil 11% sr sub nts due 05/15/2005 (Gtd: Steinway Musical Instruments, Inc.)	B	B-/Watch Pos
Southern Pacific Transportation Co. [BBB/Stable/-]		
\$301.761 mil 6.9% ser 1995A due 01/02/1997		A
St. Louis-San Francisco Railway [BBB/Stable/-]		
\$42.2 mil 4% 1st mtg bnds ser A due 01/01/1997		BBB
Standard Oil Co. [AA/-/-]		
Sfr154 mil 3.75% nts due 01/01/1997		AA
Sweden (Kingdom of) Local Currency [AAA/Stable/A-1+]		
Foreign Currency [AA+/Negative/A-1+]		
C\$200 mil 7.75% nts due 12/30/1996		AA+
C\$250 mil 6.75% nts due 12/30/1996		AA+

REVISED RATINGS		
	To	From
Swedish Export Credit Corp. Local Currency [AAA/Stable/A-1+]		
Foreign Currency [AA+/Negative/A-1+]		
C\$100 mil 7% nts due 12/30/1996		AA+
Titan Wheel International Inc. [BB+/Stable/-]		
\$90 mil 4.75% \$90 mil 4.75% conv sub nts due 12/01/2000 nts due 12/01/2000		BB-
United Mexican States Local Currency [BBB+/Stable/A-2]		
Foreign Currency [BB/Stable/B]		
MXP3 bil zero cpn cetes due 01/02/1997		A-2
MXP500 mil fitg rate ajustabonos due 01/02/1997		BBB+
UNUM Corp. Local Currency [A+/Negative/A-1]		
\$172.5 mil 8.8% Monthly Income Debt Securities (MIDS) jr sub def int deb ser A due 05/2025	A	
Utilicorp United [BBB/Stable/A-2]		
\$8 mil 6% 1st mtg bnds ser N due 1997		BBB
Vehicle Services of America Ltd.		
3(A)2 CP prog auth amt \$156.8 mil (LOC: NationsBank of Texas N.A. Dallas)	A-1+	A-1/Watch Pos
Victoria (Treasury Corp. of)		
\$100 mil 8.375% bnds due 1996 (Gtd: Victoria (State of))		AA
Western Massachusetts Electric Co. [BBB-/Watch Neg/-]		
credit rating	BBB-/Watch Neg/-	BBB-/Watch Neg/A-3
3(A)3 CP prog auth amt \$75,000 mil.		A-3/Watch Neg
Yale International Inc.		
\$70 mil 11.5% secd nts due 09/01/2000		B/Watch Neg
Yorkshire Water PLC [AA-/Stable/A-1+]		
GBP40 mil bnds due 1997		AA-
Zurich (Federal State of) [AAA/Stable/-]		
Sfr180 mil 4.75% bnds due 12/20/1996		AAA
Boulevard Auto Trust 1993-1		
\$106.086 mil 4.55% pass-thru certs ser 1993-1 due 10/15/1998:		
Class A (\$97.6 mil)		AAA
Class B (\$8.49 mil)		A-



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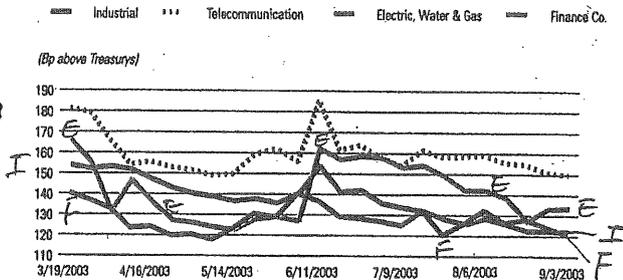
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
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Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
0	103	109	132	232
1	102	108	131	225

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Co.
8/27/2003	123	151	133	124
9/3/2003	122	150	134	121

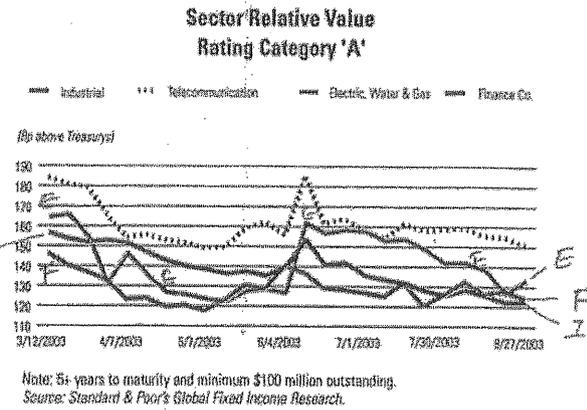
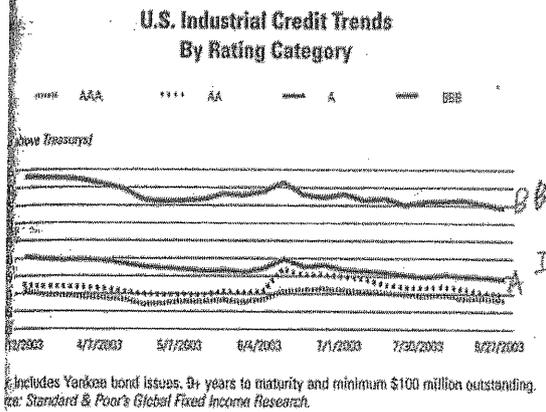
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10 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser YK-2018 due 10/28/2018	AAA
10 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser YS-2018 due 10/28/2018	AAA
10 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser ZL-2018 due 10/27/2018	AAA
15 mil. 3% Domestic bnds ser NF-7006 due 08/25/2006	AAA
15 mil. 5% Domestic bnds ser U3-2009 due 11/25/2009	AAA
25 mil. 6% Domestic bnds ser YP-2018 due 08/28/2018	AAA
35 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser E4-2013 due 10/28/2013	AAA
35 mil. 2% Domestic bnds ser PJ-7006 due 08/28/2006	AAA
30 mil. zero cpn Domestic bnds ser BK-2023 due 10/28/2023	AAA
34 mil. zero cpn Domestic bnds ser BH-2023 due 10/25/2023	AAA
75 mil. 1.42% Domestic bnds ser UL-7004 due 09/24/2004	AAA
12 mil. zero cpn Domestic bnds ser BM-2023 due 10/25/2023	AAA
10 mil. 1.41% Domestic bnds ser UI-7004 due 09/21/2004	AAA
10 mil. 6.5% Domestic bnds ser ZB-2018 due 08/28/2018	AAA
10 mil. 1.35% Domestic bnds ser UE-7004 due 09/25/2004	AAA
17 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser Y1-2018 due 10/28/2018	AAA
12 mil. zero cpn Domestic bnds ser BJ-2023 due 10/25/2023	AAA
10 mil. 6.25% Domestic bnds ser 1E-2018 due 08/27/2018	AAA
10 mil. zero cpn Domestic bnds ser BL-2023 due 10/25/2023	AAA
1 mil. 1.1% Domestic bnds ser TH-8007 due 08/28/2007	AAA
1 mil. 2.05% Domestic bnds ser C2-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA
1 mil. 2.125% Domestic bnds ser G2-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA

NEW RATINGS

\$50 mil. 2.195% Domestic bnds ser D5-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA
\$50 mil. 2.21% Domestic bnds ser D1-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA
\$50 mil. 2.22% Domestic bnds ser C6-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA
\$50 mil. 2.75% Domestic bnds ser Q1-9008 due 08/27/2008	AAA
\$50 mil. 2.8% Domestic bnds ser QR-7006 due 08/25/2006	AAA
\$50 mil. 3.02% Domestic bnds ser PC-7006 due 08/25/2006	AAA
\$50 mil. 3.25% Domestic bnds ser 3C-2010 due 08/25/2010	AAA
\$50 mil. 3.265% Domestic bnds ser PE-7006 due 08/28/2006	AAA
\$50 mil. 3.33% Domestic bnds ser SJ-8007 due 02/28/2007	AAA
\$50 mil. 4.08% Domestic bnds ser V1-9008 due 08/27/2008	AAA
\$50 mil. 4.17% Domestic bnds ser O4-9008 due 08/26/2008	AAA
\$50 mil. 5.3% Domestic bnds ser C5-2013 due 08/26/2013	AAA
\$50 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser 3J-2010 due 08/26/2010	AAA
\$50 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser 7Q-2013 due 08/13/2013	AAA
\$50 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser ZN-2018 due 08/27/2018	AAA
\$50 mil. fltg-rt Domestic bnds ser ZP-2018 due 08/27/2018	AAA
\$55 mil. 3.125% Domestic bnds ser PV-7006 due 08/25/2006	AAA
\$55 mil. 3.25% Domestic bnds ser S3-9008 due 08/27/2008	AAA
\$55 mil. 3.28% Domestic bnds ser SB-8007 due 02/28/2007	AAA
\$55 mil. 3.625% Domestic bnds ser SW-8007 due 08/27/2007	AAA
\$55 mil. 4.5% Domestic bnds ser 9T-2013 due 08/27/2013	AAA
\$60 mil. 2.1% Domestic bnds ser C9-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA
\$60 mil. 2.5% Domestic bnds ser F9-7005 due 08/26/2005	AAA
\$60 mil. 3% Domestic bnds ser OL-7006 due 11/27/2006	AAA
\$60 mil. 4% Domestic bnds ser 9X-2013 due 08/27/2013	AAA
\$60 mil. 4.1% Domestic bnds ser W3-9008 due 08/26/2008	AAA
\$60 mil. 4.305% Domestic bnds ser T4-2009 due 02/25/2009	AAA

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY



Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
2/28/2002	106	112	135	237
8/27/2003	103	109	132	232

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
8/20/2003	123	155	127	128
8/27/2003	123	151	133	124

NEW RATINGS

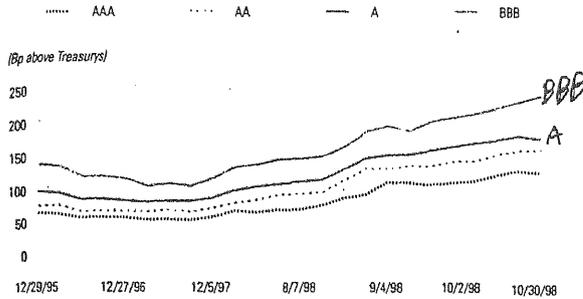
icbi International Treasury Ltd. \$120 CP prog auth amt \$500 mil	A-1
usohld Finance Corp. [A/Stable/A-1] 4.05% InterNotes due 09/15/2008	A
5.5% InterNotes due 09/15/2013	A
6% InterNotes due 09/15/2018	A
6.2% InterNotes due 09/15/2023	A
7% InterNotes due 09/15/2038	A
Wolfsbank in Essen AG [BBB+/Stable/A-2] €100 mil. fltg-rt offcnl pndbrtfrs ser S802318 due 02/04/2005	AAA
€200 mil. fltg-rt offcnl pndbrtfrs ser S802317 due 02/08/2005	AAA
€30 mil. fltg-rt offcnl pndbrtfrs ser S163701 due 06/20/2008	AAA
Woblfond Funding Limited EUR0 CP prog auth amt \$10 bil	A-1+
Woorial Bank of Korea [BBB+/Stable/A-2] \$25 mil. fltg-rt [3 mth US\$ Liber + 45bps] Tranche 1 nts ser 19 due 09/28/2008	BBB+
USA Inc. [BB/Stable/-] \$100 mil. term ln bank ln due 04/30/2007	BB
\$45 mil. revolvy cred fac due 5/27/2008 bank ln	BB
National Bank for Reconstruction and Development [AAA/Stable/A-1+] \$25 mil. 10% brds due 09/10/2015	AAA
\$40 mil. 4.26% nts due 09/11/2006	AAA
€300 mil. 1% nts due 05/22/2013	AAA

NEW RATINGS

International Finance Corp. [AAA/Stable/A-1+] \$150 mil. 1% Fxd-rt) deep discount nts ser 537 due 09/20/2015	AAA
\$4250 mil. 4.64% nts ser 538 due 06/18/2008	AAA
HK\$200 mil. 5.525% nts ser 547 due 09/28/2017	AAA
International Lease Finance Corp. [AA-/Negative/A-1+] 4.15% ILFC nts due 09/15/2008	AA-
4.55% ILFC nts due 09/15/2008	AA-
4.85% ILFC nts due 09/15/2010	AA-
John Hancock Life Insurance Co. Local Currency [AA/Stable/A-1+] 2.1% Signature nts due 09/15/2005	AA
2.85% Signature nts due 09/15/2006	AA
3.4% Signature nts due 09/15/2007	AA
4% Signature nts due 09/15/2008	AA
4.85% Signature nts due 09/15/2011	AA
5.15% Signature nts due 09/15/2013	AA
5.5% Signature nts due 09/15/2015	AA
6% Signature nts due 09/15/2023	AA
6.2% Signature nts due 09/15/2028	AA
6% up Signature nts due 09/15/2011	AA
KommuneKredit [AAA/Stable/A-1+] ¥1.1 bil. Fxd/Fltg Callable nts ser 1200303543 due 07/25/2033	AAA
¥1.5 bil. Fxd/Fltg Callable nts ser 1200303547 due 07/28/2033	AAA
¥500 mil. Fxd/Fltg Callable nts ser 1200303539 due 07/22/2033	AAA
¥500 mil. Fxd/Fltg Callable nts ser 1200303546 due 07/24/2023	AAA
¥500 mil. nts ser 1200303544 due 07/25/2033	AAA
¥700 mil. Fxd/Fltg Callable nts ser 1200303548 due 07/28/2023	AAA

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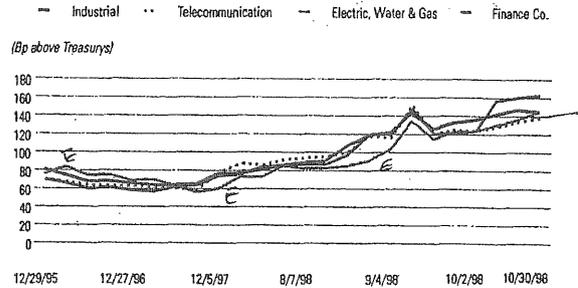
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category



Note: Includes Yankee bond issues. 9+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
10/23/98	126	154	175	232
10/30/98	122	156	173	237

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Finance Co.
10/23/98	117	128	142	162
10/30/98	115	138	145	163

NEW RATINGS

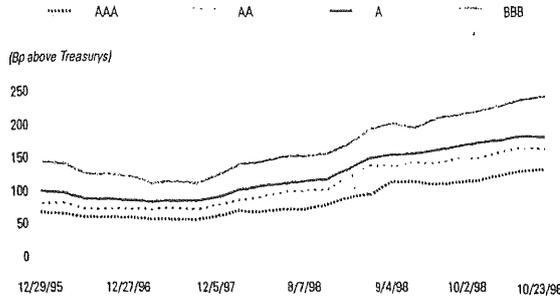
\$200 mil shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sub Debt 01/20/1998: sr unsec'd (prelim)	A
sub (prelim)	A-
United Security Life Insurance Co. of IL Local Currency [CCCp/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	CCCp/—/—
Venantius AB Local Currency [AAA/Stable/A-+] Foreign Currency [AA+/Stable/A-+] £125 mil 7.25% nts due 2002	AA+
Vereinte Krankenversicherung AG Local Currency [AAA/Stable/—] credit rating Local Currency	AAA/Stable/—
Vereinte Lebensversicherung AG Local Currency [AAA/Stable/—] credit rating Local Currency	AAA/Stable/—
Weingarten Realty Investors [A/Stable/—] \$90,000,000 7.125% ser B cum redeemable pfd shares	A-
Wishire Insurance Co. Local Currency [Bp/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	Bp/—/—
Workers Compensation Fund of Utah Local Currency [Api/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	Api/—/—
Wuestenrot Hypothekbank AG DEM125 mil step-up ceffentl pfandbriefe ser S135 due 02/02/2004	AAA
Structured Finance	
Aames Mortgage Trust 1997-D \$399 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-D due 12/15/2027: Class A-6F (\$19 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., lig: Aames Capital Corp.)	AAA
ABN AMRO Mortgage Corp. \$345.439 mil multi-class mtg mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-4 due 11/25/2028: Class A-1, A-10, A-11, A-12, A-13, A-14, A-15, A-16, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-6, A-7, A-8, A-9 (\$343.8 mil) (lig: LaSalle Home Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
Class A-5, A-X (lig: LaSalle Home Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
Broad Index Secured Tranche Obligation 1998-3 Co. Ltd. ¥27 bil (lig sec'd nts due 2001)	AA+

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

Chase Mortgage Finance Trust, Series 1998-AS2 \$249.761 mil multi-class mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-AS2 due: Class A-P, A-X, IIA-2 (\$5.94 mil) (lig: Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
Class A-R, IA-1, IIA-1, IIIA-1, IIIA-2, IIIA-3 (\$243.82 mil) (lig: Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp.)	AAA
Edea Park Trust #1 A\$200 mil 30 day BBSW Srr floating-rate/Sub floating-rate nts, due 9/15/2001 & 10/15/2003: Class A1 (AUD97 mil)	AAA
Class A2 (AUD97 mil)	AAA
Class B (AUD6 mil)	A
Household Affinity Credit Card Master Trust I \$890,100,000 fltg-rt credit-card part certs ser 1998-1 due 02/15/2004: Class A (\$844 mil)	AAA
Class B (\$46.1 mil)	A
PNC Mortgage Securities Corp. \$1.2 bil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-8 due 09/25/2028: Class I-A-6, I-P, I-X, II-A-2, II-P, II-X-1, II-X-2, III-A-2, III-P, III-X, IV-A-M, IV-A-X, IV-P (\$520.26 mil) (lig: PNC Mortgage Securities Corp.)	AAA
\$458.428 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-9 due 09/25/2028: Class I-A-1, I-A-2, I-A-3, I-A-4, I-A-5, I-A-6, I-A-7, I-AM, II-A-1, II-AM, III-A-1, III-A-3, III-A-4, III-A-5, III-AM, R-I, R-II (\$452.69 mil) (lig: PNC Mortgage Securities Corp.)	AAA
Class I-A-8, I-P, I-X, II-A-2, II-P, II-X-2, III-A-2, III-X (\$6.74 mil) (lig: PNC Mortgage Securities Corp.)	AAA
Residential Funding Mortgage Securities I Inc. \$501.439 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1998-S23 due 10/25/2028: Class A-1, A-10, A-11, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-7, A-8, A-9, R-I, R-II (\$492.68 mil) (lig: Residential Funding Corp.)	AAA
Class A-12, A-13, A-6 (\$8.76 mil) (lig: Residential Funding Corp.)	AAA

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY

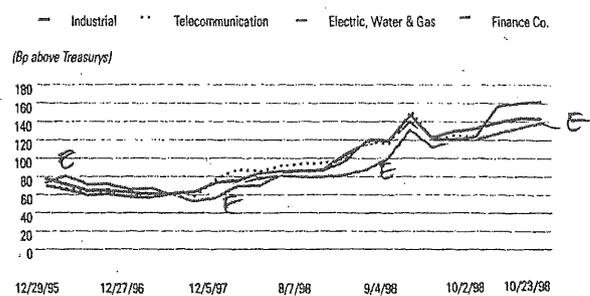
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
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U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
10/16/98	124	155	177	228
10/23/98	126	154	175	232

Sector Relative Value
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Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Co.
10/16/98	117	117	150	181
10/23/98	117	114	147	182

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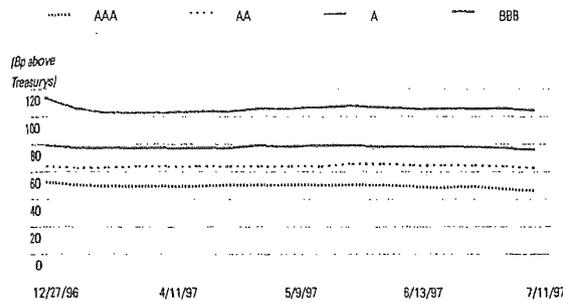
PP&L Capital Funding, Inc. \$22 mil 6.2% (CUSIP# 693496ab7) med-term nts ser A due 08/31/2001 (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.) credit rating Local Currency [AApi/—/—] AAA	AAA
Progressive American Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Casualty Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Classic Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive County Mutual Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Gulf Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Northern Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Premier Insurance Co. of IL Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Specialty Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive Universal Insurance Co. of IL Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
Progressive West Insurance Co. Local Currency [AApi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	AApi/—/—
PSINet Inc. [B-/Stable/—] \$200 mil 11.5% sr nts due 11/01/2008	B-
Puget Sound Energy Inc. [BBB+/Stable/A-2] \$33.5 mil 7.02% sr nt (CUSIP# 745332b4) bnds due 12/01/2027 (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp., bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
Quebec (Province of) Local Currency [A+/Stable/—] Foreign Currency [A+/Stable/A-1+] CAD92 mil 6% deb ser OX due 10/15/2001	A+
Qwest Communications International Inc. [BB+/Positive/—] \$750 mil 7.5% sr nts due 11/01/2008	BB+

NEW RATINGS

Rabobank Nederland N.V. [AAA/Stable/A-1+] \$500 mil 5.5% bnds due 09/17/2008 FRF3 bil 4.375% bnds due 10/26/2008	AAA AAA
Rockwood Casualty Insurance Co. Local Currency [BBBpi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBBpi/—/—
Royal Bank of Canada [AA-/Stable/A-1+] Euro CP prog auth amt \$2 bil	A-1+
Santander Finance Ltd. ECU250 mil 6.15% pref shares ser M	BBB+
Sanyo Shinpan Finance Co. Ltd. [A-/Negative/—] ¥30 bil Sr Secd med-term note prog 10/28/1998: sr secd	A-/A-2
Service Corp. International [BBB+/Stable/A-2] \$750 mil revolving credit fac bank ln due 1999 \$500 mil shell Sr Unsecd/Sub/Pfd Stk Debt 10/15/1998: pfd stk (prelim) sr unsecd (prelim) sub (prelim)	BBB+ BBB BBB+ BBB
Sierra Health & Life Insurance Co., Inc. Local Currency [BBpi/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBpi/—/—
Simon DeBartolo Group, L.P. [BBB+/Stable/—] \$200,000,000 7% mandatory par put remktd secs due 06/15/2028 \$200,000,000 7.375% sr unsecd nts due 06/15/2018 \$300,000,000 6.75% sr unsecd nts due 06/15/2005	BBB+ BBB+ BBB+
Southwest Gas Corp. [BBB-/Stable/—] \$16 mil 8% (CUSIP# 844895am4) med-term nts due 08/01/2026 (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA
Statbil (Den norske stats oljeselskap a.s.) [AA+/Stable/A-1+] CHF200 mil 2.75% bnds due 10/19/2004	AAA
Striker Corp. [BB/Stable/—] credit rating	BB/Stable/—
\$250 mil sr secd multicurrency fac bank ln due 2004	BB
\$250 mil sr secd revolving fac bank ln due 2004	BB
\$250 mil sr secd term ln B bank ln due 2005	BB

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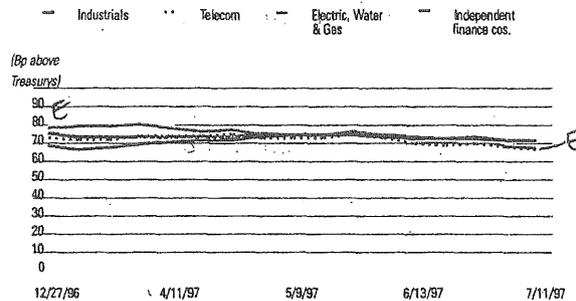
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U.S. Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
3/97	49	64	78	105
11/97	48	63	77	104

**Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'**



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Relative Spreads (bp)	Industrials	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
3/97	78	70	65	55
11/97	77	69	64	54

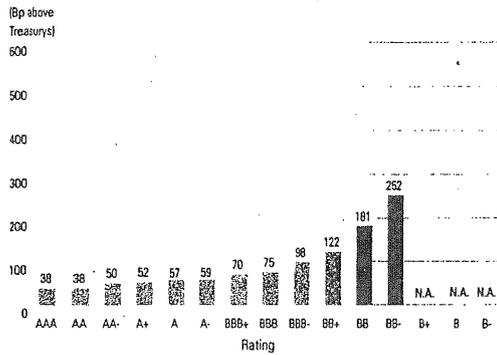
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	To	From
Cavia		
credit rating	—	AA/Stable/A-1+
FRENCH CP prog auth amt Ffr1 bil	—	A-1+
Ffr1 bil Med-term Nts Prog:		
sr unsecd	—	AA
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. [A/Stable/—]		
credit rating	A/Stable/—	A-/Positive/—
\$70 mil 9 1/4% 1st mtg bnds due 05/01/2021	A	A-
\$120 mil shelf 1st mtg bnds reg 04/16/91:		
sr secd (prelim)	A	A-
\$25 mil shelf pfd reg 11/07/94:		
pfd stk (prelim)	A-	BBB+
\$80 mil Shelf Sr Secd/Sr Unsecd/Sr Unsecd/Sub/Sub Debt Reg 11/07/1994:		
sr secd (prelim)	A	A-
sr unsecd (prelim)	A-	BBB+
Chase Manhattan Corp. (The) [A/Positive/A-1]		
\$100 mil fltg rate sub nts due 07/15/1997	—	A-
Chesapeake Energy Corp. [BB-/Stable/—]		
credit rating	BB-/Stable/—	BB/Watch Neg/—
Sr Unsecd (4 issues)	BB-	BB/Watch Neg
CMS Energy Corp. [BB/Positive/—]		
Sr Unsecd (4 issues)	—	BB
Coca-Cola Amatil Ltd. [A+/Stable/A-1]		
credit rating	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Watch Neg/A-1+
Sr Unsecd (5 issues)	A+	AA-/Watch Neg
Euro CP program auth amt \$300 mil	A-1	A-1+/Watch Neg
\$750 mil Sr Unsecd med-term note prog 10/16/1996:		
sr unsecd	A+	AA-/Watch Neg
Coca-Cola Amatil N.Z. Ltd.		
NZ\$50 mil 9.625% bnds due 03/02/1998 (Gtd: Coca-Cola Amatil Ltd.)	A+	AA-/Watch Neg
NZ\$80 mil 6% bnds due 07/15/1997 (Gtd: Coca-Cola Amatil Ltd.)	—	AA-/Watch Neg

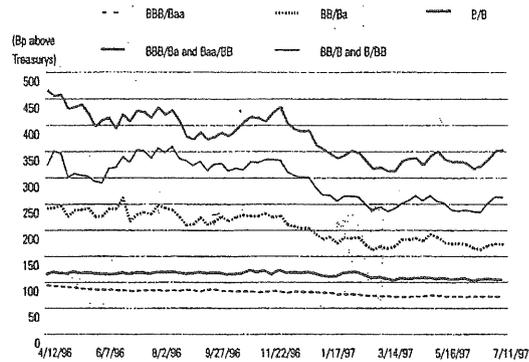
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	To	From
Coca-Cola Co. [AA-/Stable/A-1+]		
credit rating	AA-/Stable/A-1+	AA/Watch Neg/A-1+
Sr Unsecd (6 issues)	AA-	AA/Watch Neg
3(A)3 CP program	A-1+	A-1+/Watch Neg
4(2) CP prog	A-1+	A-1+/Watch Neg
\$500 mil med-term nts due 9 mo or more from date of issue:		
sr unsecd	AA-	AA/Watch Neg
\$500 mil shelf-sr reg 10/25/93		
sr unsecd (prelim)	AA-	AA/Watch Neg
Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc. [A+/Stable/A-1]		
credit rating	A+/Stable/A-1	AA-/Watch Neg/A-1+
Sr Unsecd (13 issues)	A+	AA-/Watch Neg
4(2) CP prog	A-1	A-1+/Watch Neg
\$3.17 bil shelf Sr Unsecd Debt 12/26/1996:		
sr unsecd (prelim)	A+	AA-/Watch Neg
Coles Myer Deposit Services Ltd.		
Australian CP program (Gtd: Coles Myer Ltd.)	—	A-1
Columbia (Republic of) Local Currency [A+/Stable/—]		
Foreign Currency [BBB-/Positive/—]		
COP 10 bil 30.58% t-bills due 07/17/1997	—	A+
Commonwealth Edison Co. [BBB/Stable/A-2]		
\$200 mil 6 1/2% 1st mtg bnds due 07/15/1997	—	BBB
Continental Casualty Group (Consolidated)		
credit rating	—	A+/—/—
CFA	—	A+
Credit Card Securitization Corp.		
3(A)3 CP prog auth amt \$2 bil (bnd ins: Capital Markets Assurance Corp.)	—	A-1
Denmark (Kingdom of) Local Currency [AAA/Stable/A-1+]		
Foreign Currency [AA+/Stable/A-1+]		
DM500 mil 8.25% bnds due 07/15/1997	—	AA+
Deutsche Bank Financa N.V. Curacao		
SF150 mil 7.375% nts due 07/17/1997 (Gtd: Deutsche Bank AG)	—	AAA
Doman Industries Ltd. [BB-/Watch Neg/—]		
credit rating	BB-/Watch Neg/—	BB/Stable/—
\$425 mil 8.75% nts due 03/15/2004	BB-/Watch Neg	BB-

U.S. INDUSTRIAL SECONDARY MARKET SPREADS



HIGH YIELD INDUSTRIAL INDICES



Senior unsecured debt with less than 15 years to maturity.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Note: Includes Two to 10 year maturities and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
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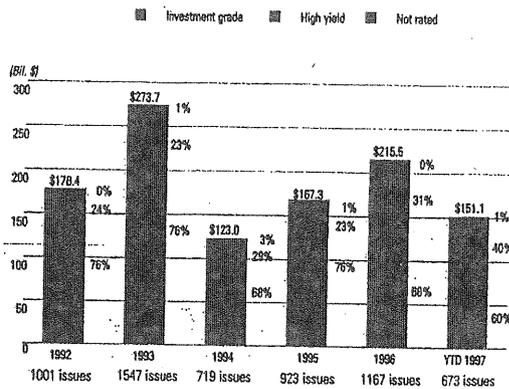
ers Group Inc. Local Currency [AA-/Stable/A-+]	
200 mil Depository Shares	A+
Texas Petroleum Holdings Inc. [BBB-/Stable/—]	
500 mil shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sub/Pfd Stk Debt 07/11/1997:	
'd stk (prelim)	BB+
'unsec'd (prelim)	BBB-
'fb (prelim)	BB+
Management Inc. [A-/Stable/A-2]	
300 mil 6.625% nts due 07/15/2002	A-
garten Realty Investors Local Currency [A+/Stable/—]	
20 mil 6.640% med-term nts ser A due 07/15/2026	A+
20 mil 6.65% med-term nts ser A due 07/12/2027	A+
Structured Finance	
One Auto Grantor Trust 1997-A	
300.3 mil asset-bckd certs ser 1997-A due 11/15/2003:	
Class A (\$744.25 mil)	AAA
Class B (\$56.02 mil)	A
co Capital Funding Corp. X	
557.267 mil lease-bckd nts ser 1997-A due 04/20/2005:	
Class A-1 (\$142.2 mil)	A-1+
Class A-2 (\$54.18 mil)	AAA
Class A-3 (\$211.5 mil)	AAA
Class A-4 (\$126.67 mil)	AAA
Class B (\$22.75 mil)	A
s Club Master Trust	
\$10 mil 1 mo. BBSW + 0.17% ser 1997-3-A due 11/01/2000	AAA
\$15 mil 1 mo. BBSW + 0.17% ser 1997-2-A due 11/01/2000	AAA
\$15 mil 1 mo. BBSW+0.17% bnds ser 1997-1-A due 11/01/2000	AAA
Tree Recreational, Equipment & Consumer Trust 1997-B	
594.8 mil fltg/fxd rt asset-bckd nts & certs ser 1997-B due 7/15/2026:	
Class A-1 (\$495.15 mil) (Gtd: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AAA
Class A-2 (\$32.72 mil) (Gtd: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	AA
Class A-3 (\$26.77 mil) (Gtd: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	A
Class A-4 (\$16.36 mil) (Gtd: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	BBB
Class B (\$23.8 mil) (Gtd: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	A-

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

Kentucky Hgr Ed Std Ln Corp	
\$4.910 mil ins std in rev bnds ser 1997-A-thru D due 06/01/2002:	
Class 97-A (\$1.87 mil)	AA-
Class 97-B (\$1 mil)	AA-
Class 97-C (\$1.04 mil)	AA-
Class 97-D (\$1 mil)	AA-
Manufactured Housing Contracts Sr/Sub P-T Certs Trust	
\$520 mil sr/sub pass-thru certs ser 1997-4 due 06/1998:	
Class A-1 (\$20.8 mil)	A-1+
Class A-2 (\$75 mil)	AAA
Class A-3 (\$52 mil)	AAA
Class A-4 (\$62 mil)	AAA
Class A-5 (\$43 mil)	AAA
Class A-6 (\$54.2 mil)	AAA
Class A-7 (\$105 mil)	AAA
Class B-1 (\$20.8 mil)	BBB+
Class B-2 (\$18.2 mil) (Gtd: Green Tree Financial Corp.)	A-
Class M-1 (\$39 mil)	AA-
Mid-State Trust VI	
\$439.1 mil asset-bckd nts due 07/01/2035:	
Class A-1 (\$267.75 mil)	AAA
Class A-2 (\$57.75 mil)	AA+
Class A-3 (\$45.1 mil)	AA-
Class A-4 (\$48.55 mil)	BBB
Money Store Auto Trust 1997-2 (The)	
\$224.955 mil asset-bckd nts due 09/20/03:	
Class A-1 (\$160 mil) (Gtd: Smith Barney Capital Services, Inc., bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA
Class A-2 (\$60.5 mil) (Gtd: Smith Barney Capital Services, Inc., bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp.)	AAA
Class certs (\$4.46 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., Gtd: Smith Barney Capital Services, Inc.)	AAA
Onyx Acceptance Grantor Trust 1997-2	
\$121.676 mil auto in pass-thru certs ser 1997-2 due 10/15/2003:	
Class A (bnd ins: Capital Markets Assurance Corp.)	AAA
Prudential Home Mortgage Securities Co. Inc. (The)	
\$363.339 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1992-6 due 03/25/1999:	
Class A-6 (liq: Prudential Home Mortgage Co. (The))	AAAr

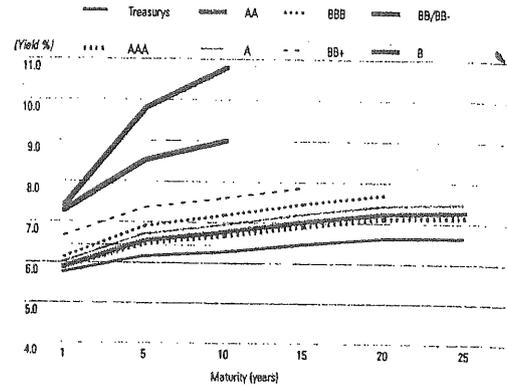
RATINGS TRENDS

U.S. CORPORATE BOND ISSUANCE



Note: Includes Yankee bond issuance.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondBank

TREASURY AND INDUSTRIAL YIELD CURVES



Note: Minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

NEW RATINGS

Owens & Minor Inc. [BB/Stable/—] \$225 mil unsec'd bank fac bank in due 05/2001	BB
PacificCorp [A/Watch Neg/A-1] \$125 mil 7.045% 1st mtg bnd due 07/15/2009 \$175 mil 6.75% 1st mtg bnd due 07/15/2004	A
Philip Morris Cos. Inc. [A/Watch Neg/A-1] \$1 bil 7% global bnds due 07/15/2005	A/Watch Neg
Philippines (Republic of) Local Currency [A-/Positive/A-1] Foreign Currency [BB+/Positive/—] \$100 mil 8.6% bnds due 06/15/2007 \$400 mil 8.6% bnds due 06/15/2007	BB+
Playtex Products Inc. [BB-/Negative/—] \$150 mil 8.875% nts due 07/15/2004 \$320 mil credit fac bank in due 06/15/2003	B+
Pohang Iron & Steel Co. Ltd. [A+/Stable/—] \$200 mil 7.125% bnds due 07/15/2004	A+
Private Export Funding Corp. [AAA/Stable/A-1+] \$100 mil sec'd nts ser B due 07/15/2007	AAA
Procter & Gamble Co. [AA/Stable/A-1+] \$2 bil shelf Sr Unsec'd Debt 07/09/1997: sr unsec'd (prelim)	AA
Quantum Corp. [BB/Stable/—] \$500 mil unsec'd revolving credit fac bank in	BB
Quebec (Province of) Local Currency [A+/Negative/—] Foreign Currency [A+/Negative/A-1+] \$100 bil 3% bnds ser 7 due 09/29/2009	A+
Raychem Corp. [A-/Stable/—] credit rating \$400 mil unsec'd revolving credit fac bank in due 09/12/2001 \$400 mil shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sub Debt 07/16/1997: sr unsec'd (prelim) sub (prelim)	A-/Stable/— A- A- BBB+
Redland PLC [A/Stable/A-1] £750 mil Sr Unsec'd med-term note prog 07/17/1997: sr unsec'd	A

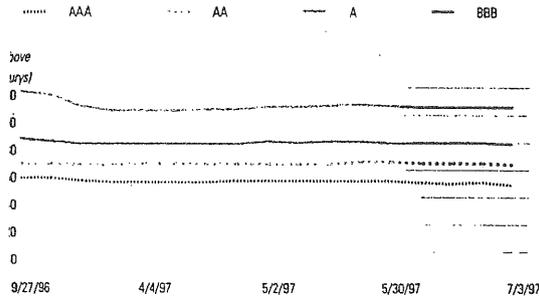
NEW RATINGS

Rio Algom Ltd. [BBB/Negative/A-2] \$500 mil 5 yr unsec'd revolving credit fac C\$353.4 mil 5.5% conv sub deb due 02/01/2007	BBB BBB-
Safety Components International, Inc. [B+/Stable/—] credit rating \$27 mil revolving credit fac due 2002 bank in \$80 mil sr sub nts due 2007	B+/Stable/— BB- B-
Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. [A-/Stable/A-2] \$500 mil 7% nts due 06/15/2007 \$4.5 bil shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sub Debt 07/8/1997: sr unsec'd (prelim) sub (prelim)	A- A- BBB+
Simon DeBartolo Group Inc. Local Currency [BBB/Stable/—] \$150 mil 7.89% cum (SUPER) pfd stk ser C	BBB
Simon DeBartolo Group, L.P. Local Currency [BBB+/Stable/—] \$100 mil med-term nts due 06/24/2005	BBB
Smith Barney Holdings Inc. [A/Stable/—] \$250 mil 6.625% sr nts due 07/01/2002 \$1 bil shelf Sr Unsec'd Debt 06/27/1997: sr unsec'd (prelim)	A A
St. George Bank Ltd. [A/Stable/A-1] \$250 mil perp cap secs	BBB+
Standard Commercial Tobacco Co., Inc. \$100 mil sr nts due 2005 (Std: Standard Commercial Corp.) \$200 mil global credit fac bank in due 2001 (Std: Standard Commercial Corp.)	BB- BB-
Stater Bros. Holdings Inc. [BB-/Stable/—] \$100 mil sr sub nts due 2004	B
Tata Engineering & Locomotive Co. Ltd. (The) [BB+/Stable/—] credit rating \$200 mil 7.875% nts due 07/15/2007	BB+/Stable/— BB+
Times Mirror Co. [A+/Stable/A-1] \$250 mil shelf Sr Unsec'd/Sub Debt 06/26/1997: sr unsec'd (prelim) sub (prelim)	A+ A
Toyota Motor Corp. [AAA/Stable/A-1+] \$1 bil 6.25% straight bnds due 07/22/2002	AAA

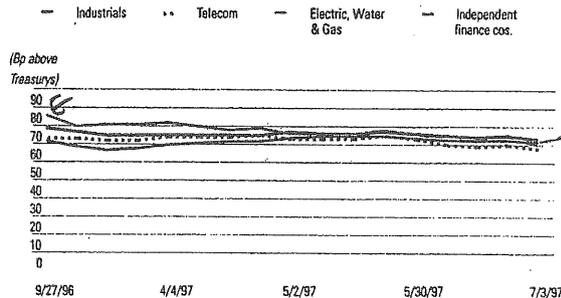
RATINGS TRENDS

SPREAD TO TREASURY BY RATING CATEGORY

**U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category**



**Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'**



includes Yankee bond issues. 9+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Fixed Income Research—BondComp.

Industrials spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
9/27/96	51	65	79	105
7/3/97	49	64	78	105

Sector spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent finance cos.
9/27/96	65	65	65	65
7/3/97	65	65	65	65

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

Credit Grantor Trust 1997-1 31.781 mil marina receivable-bckd certs due 08/15/2013: ISS A	AAA
Jakota 5.4 mil stud in rev bnds ser 1997B due 07/01/2027: ISS A (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
5.7 mil stud in rev bnds ser 1997 A due 07/01/2002: ISS A (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
Car CBO 1997-2 Ltd./Northstar CBO 1997-2 (Delaware) Corp. 58 mil step-up coupon notes due 07/2009: ISS A-1 (\$15 mil)	A-1+
ISS A-2 (\$163 mil)	AAA
ISS A-3 (\$90 mil)	A-
Hospital Funding Ltd 14 mil amort med-term fltg rate nts due 01/08/2006	AAA
Alpha Auth for Indl Dev 5.485 mil 6.488% tax claim collat rev bnds ser 1997 due 06/15/2004	AAA
Wm Brothers Inc. 32.8 mil mtg pass-thru certs ser 1997-1: ISS A-1 (\$31 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
ISS A-2 (\$24.2 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
ISS A-3 (\$14.5 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
ISS A-4 (\$12 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
ISS A-5 (\$21.14 mil) (bnd ins: Ambac Assurance Corp.)	AAA
United Australian Mortgage Trust 1997/1 225 mil 1 mo BBSW+0.21% pass-thru class A sr nts due 08/08/2027: ISS A	AAA
7 mil 1 mo BBSW+0.36% pass-thru class B cert due 08/08/2027: ISS A	AA-

NEW RATINGS/Structured Finance

UCFC Acceptance Corp. \$600 mil home equity pass-thru certs ser 1997-B due 10/15/2028: Class A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6 (\$250 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., Utg: United Companies Lending Corp.)	AAA
Class A-7 (\$350 mil) (bnd ins: MBIA Insurance Corp., Utg: United Companies Lending Corp.)	AAA
AAR Corp. [BBB/Stable/—] credit rating	BBB/Stable/— BBB-/Positive/—

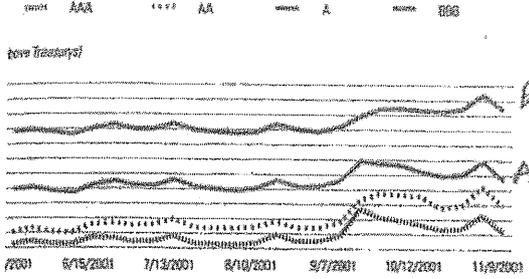
REVISED RATINGS

	To	From
\$50 mil 7.25% nts due 10/15/2003	BBB	BBB-
\$65 mil 9.5% sr nts due 11/01/2001	BBB	BBB-
\$135 mil shelf-sr reg 08/27/91: sr unsecd (prelim)	BBB	BBB-
American Standard Inc. [BB/Stable/—] \$250 mil 11 3/8% nts due 05/15/2004	—	BB-
Anglian Water PLC [AA-/Watch Neg/—] credit rating	AA-/Watch Neg/—	AA-/Stable/—
£150 mil 8.25% bnds due 11/29/2006	AA-/Watch Neg	AA-
GBP100 mil 5.125% index-linked in suk due 07/02/2008 (Gtd: Anglian Water Services Ltd.)	AA-/Watch Neg	AA
GBP60 mil 6.5% bnds due 08/24/1998	AA-/Watch Neg	AA-
Anglian Water Services Ltd. [AA-/Watch Neg/—] credit rating	AA-/Watch Neg/—	AA-/Stable/—
Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc. [A+/Stable/A-1] \$850 mil shelf Sr Unsecd Debt 07/06/1995: sr unsecd (prelim)	—	A+
Archer Daniels Midland Co. [AA-/Watch Neg/A-1+] credit rating	AA-/Watch Neg/A-1+	AA-/Stable/A-1+
Sr Unsecd (8 issues)	AA-/Watch Neg	AA-
3(A)3 CP program	A-1+/Watch Neg	A-1+
\$500 mil shelf-sr reg 11/01/93: sr unsecd (prelim)	—	AA-

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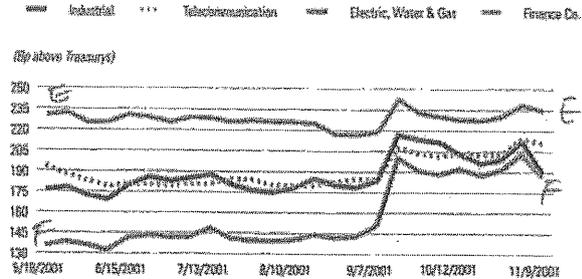
U.S. Industrial Credit Trends
By Rating Category



Includes Yankee bond issues, 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Industrial Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
10/1	156	194	229	316
10/1	135	170	205	298

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
11/2/2001	212	214	239	203
11/2/2001	190	211	235	187

NEW RATINGS

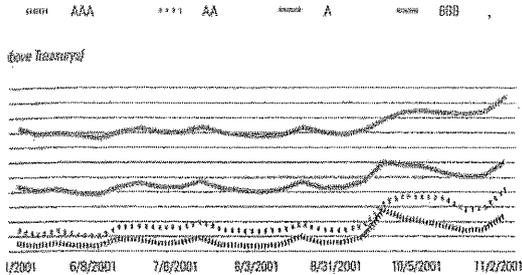
€100 mil 3.2% offentl pfandbriefe ser S332 due 09/15/2003 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 3.75% hypothekpfandbrief ser S55 due 12/15/2003 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 3.875% hypothekpfandbrief ser S58 due 03/30/2004 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4% hypothekpfandbrief ser S45 due 05/17/2004 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.125% hypothekpfandbrief ser S48 due 09/01/2004 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.25% hypothekpfandbrief ser S39 due 09/30/2004 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.25% hypothekpfandbrief ser S47 due 03/01/2005 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.25% hypothekpfandbrief ser S48 due 03/25/2005 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.375% hypothekpfandbrief ser S56 due 12/15/2005 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.5% hypothekpfandbrief ser S42 due 08/25/2005 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.5% hypothekpfandbrief ser S43 due 08/30/2005 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.75% hypothekpfandbrief ser S30 due 01/12/2007 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.75% hypothekpfandbrief ser S41 due 03/10/2007 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.75% hypothekpfandbrief ser S39 due 03/07/2008 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 4.875% hypothekpfandbrief ser S37 due 08/08/2007 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 5% offentl pfandbriefe ser S336 due 05/02/2003 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 5.1% offentl pfandbriefe ser S335 due 03/30/2010 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA

NEW RATINGS

€100 mil 5.125% offentl pfandbriefe ser S338 due 04/04/2011 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 5.15% offentl pfandbriefe ser S337 due 05/02/2011 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 5.25% offentl pfandbriefe ser S338 due 10/01/2010 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€100 mil 5.4% offentl pfandbriefe ser S333 due 08/15/2011 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€150 mil 5% offentl pfandbriefe ser S399 due 08/17/2003 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
€2 bil 4.5% offentl pfandbriefe ser S334 due 08/24/2006 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
Landesbank Hessen-Thueringen Girozentrale (AAA/Negative/A-1+)	
€7 bil 1.7% brds due 08/28/2015	AAA
Landeskreditbank Baden-Wuerttemberg - Foerderbank (AAA/Stable/A-1+)	
\$1 bil 3.75% brds due 11/05/2004 (Gtd: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
Latvia (Republic of) Local Currency [A-/Stable/A-2]	
Foreign Currency [BBB/Positive/A-3]	
€200 mil 5.375% brds due 11/27/2003	BBB
Laval (City of) [A+/Stable/-]	
credit rating	A+/Stable/-
LGT Bank in Liechtenstein AG [AA-/Stable/A-1+]	
\$1 bil sr unsecd/S-T debt med-term nt prog : sr unsecd (Gtd: LGT Bank in Liechtenstein AG)	AA-
S-T debt (Gtd: LGT Bank in Liechtenstein AG)	A-1+
LGT Finance Ltd.	
\$1 bil sr unsecd/S-T debt med-term nt prog : sr unsecd (Gtd: LGT Bank in Liechtenstein AG)	AA-
S-T debt (Gtd: LGT Bank in Liechtenstein AG)	A-1+
Lincoln National Capital V	
\$150 mil trust pfd secs (Gtd: Lincoln National Corp.)	BBB

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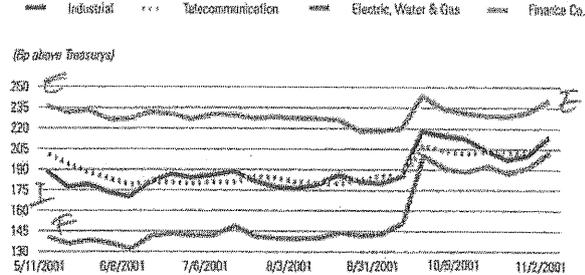
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Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
1/2/2001	136	168	211	289
11/2/2001	156	194	229	318

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



Note: 5+ years to maturity and minimum \$100 million outstanding.
Source: Standard & Poor's Global Fixed Income Research.

Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Independent Finance Cos.
10/26/2001	199	203	230	182
11/2/2001	212	214	239	203

NEW RATINGS

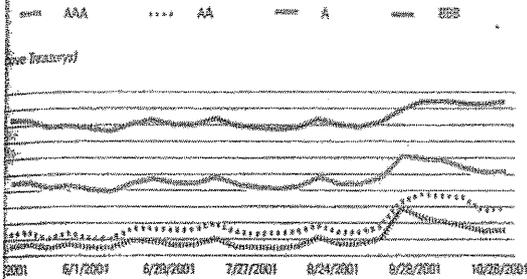
Star Market Resources, Inc. [BBB-/Negative/—] \$200 mil nts due 2011	BBB+
Care Inc. [B+/Stable/—] \$150 mil sr nts due 2008	B
\$80 mil sr sec'd revolv credit fac bank ln due 09/30/2004	BB-
inische Hypothekenbank AG [A-/Watch Dev/A-] €50 mil step up callable bnds ser S266 due 11/14/2007	A-/Watch Dev
Group S.A. [A-/Stable/A-2] €298 mil bank ln due 08/31/2006	A-
€2 bil sr unsec'd Euro med-term nt prog: sr unsec'd	A-
Way Inc. [BBB/Stable/A-2] \$250 mil 3.625% nts due 11/05/2003	BBB
City Indl Poll Ctl Fin Auth \$25 mil Salem Cnty Poll Ctl Fin Auth poll ctl rev rfdg (PSEG Pwr LLC proj) Amt bnds ser 2001A due 04/01/2031	BBB
Bank Ltd. Local Currency [BBBp/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBBp/—/—
AB (The Swedish National Housing Finance Corp.) [AA-/Negative/A-1+] A(2) CP prog auth amt \$2 bil	A-1+
Bank Ltd. Local Currency [BBp/—/—] credit rating Local Currency	BBp/—/—
Japan Telecommunications Ltd. [AA-/Stable/A-1+] credit rating	AA-/Stable/A-1+
\$1.6 bil nts	AA-
\$700 mil SingTel's Optus consideration bnds due 2009	AA-
\$81 bil 3.21% bnds due 03/15/2006	AA-
Bank Nederland N.V. [A/Stable/A-1] \$10 mil 8.02% index-linked nts due 06/08/2009	A
\$1.3 bil 8% nts due 06/06/2006	A

NEW RATINGS

Sony Global Treasury Services PLC. global CP prog auth amt \$7 mil	A-1
Southwest Airlines Co. [A/Negative/—] \$150 mil 5.1% Class A-1 pass-thru ser 2001-1 due 11/01/2007 (lic: Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale)	AAA
\$375 mil 5.498% class A-2 pass-thru ser 2001-1 due 05/01/2006 (lic: Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale)	AAA
\$89.25 mil 6.126% Class B pass-thru ser 2001-1 due 11/01/2006	A+
St. Paul Capital Trust I \$300 mil var rate (7 1/2% - 8%) trust pfd secs (Std: St. Paul Cos, Inc.)	A-/Watch Neg
Stilwell Financial Inc. [A-/Stable/A-2] \$500 mil sr nts due 2020	A-
Student Loan Marketing Assn. \$600 mil 3.625% global nts due 09/30/2004	AAA
Telefonica Europe B.V. €1 bil 5.125% tranche A nts due 10/30/2006 (Std: Telefonica S.A.)	A+
€1 bil fltg-rt tranche B nts due 10/30/2004 (Std: Telefonica S.A.)	A+
Tesoro Petroleum Corp. [BB+/Positive/—] \$215 mil 9.625% sr sub nts due 11/01/2008	BB-
Toys "R" Us Inc. [BBB+/Watch Neg/A-2] \$316.6 mil revolv credit fac due 9/18/02 back ln \$633.3 mil bank ln due 09/19/2006	BBB+ BBB+
Trifon PCS Inc. [B+/Stable/—] \$300 mil sr sub nts due 2011	B-
UbiquiTel Operating Co. [B-/Positive/—] \$120 mil term A bank ln due 2007	B-
\$125 mil term B bank ln due 2008	B-

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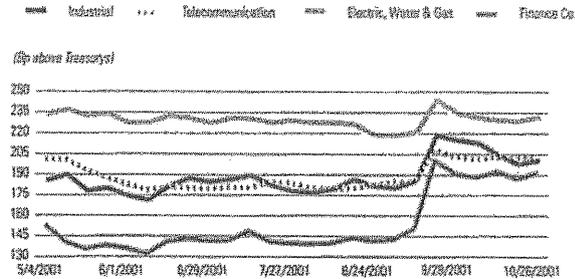
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Industrials Spreads (bp)	AAA	AA	A	BBB
2001	157	166	209	295
2006	198	211	236	296

Sector Relative Value
Rating Category 'A'



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Sector Spreads (bp)	Industrial	Telecom	Electric, Water & Gas	Indepnden Finance Co.
10/19/2001	186	203	227	18
10/26/2006	203	230	230	19

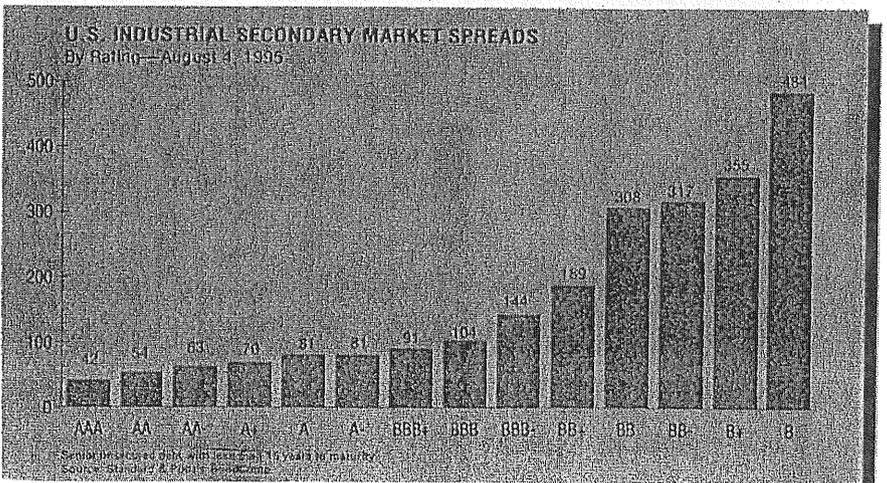
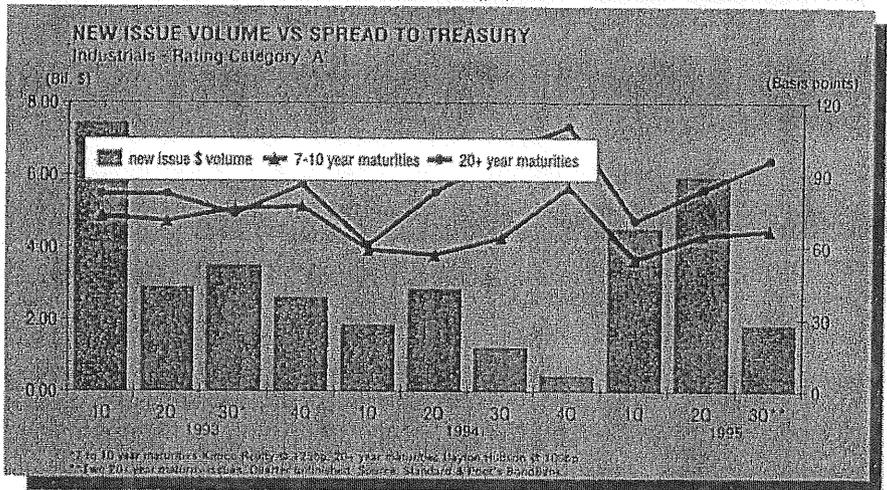
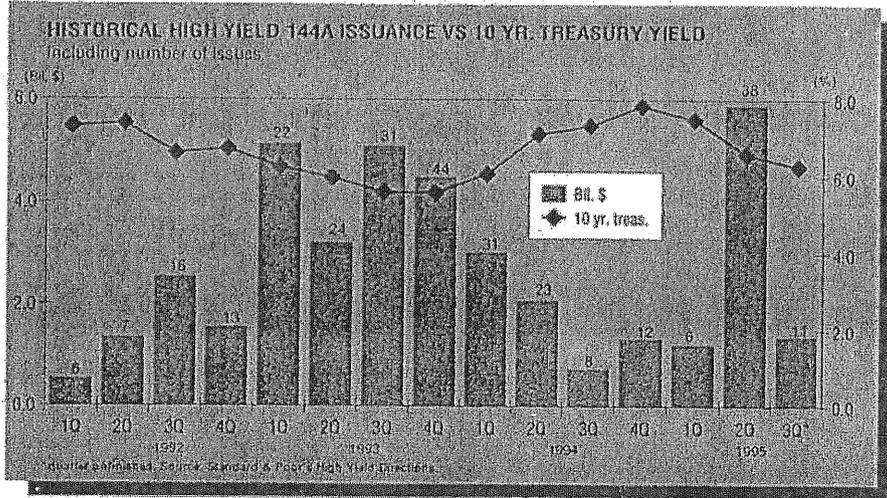
NEW RATINGS

U.S. S.A. [BBB+/Negative/A-2] €250 mil 6.875% bonds due 11/06/2012	BBB+
€1 bil 5.875% nts due 11/06/2008	BBB+
€50 mil fltg rate nts due 04/19/2003	BBB+
D'Lakes Inc. [BB+/Stable/—] \$300 mil sr nts due 2011	BB
Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg [AAA/Negative/A-1+] €1 bil fltg rate bnfts ser S241 due 04/22/2003 (Std: Baden-Wuerttemberg (State of))	AAA
Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg Capital Markets PLC €250 mil 5.25% nts due 07/19/2005 (Std: Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg)	AAA
Wirtschaftliche Rentenbank [AAA/Stable/A-1+] €1 bil step up callabls nts ser 375 due 11/01/2011	AAA
Man Brothers Holdings Inc. [A/Stable/A-1] \$21 mil Prudential Research Universe Diversified Equity nts (Prudenta) Ser due 07/02/2006	A
\$42 mil 7.8% med-term nts ser E due 07/07/2005	A
\$50 mil fltg rate Fed Funds 0.35% med-term nts ser G due 04/16/2003	A
HSBC Bank PLC [AA/Stable/A-1+] €25 mil var rate callabls nts ser 208 due 01/09/2012	AA
€30 mil fltg rate callabls nts ser 265 due 08/30/2011	AA
€162.5 mil trigger linked fltg rate int and trigger linked redemption nts ser 256 due 07/25/2002	A-1+
Logic Corp. [BB-/Stable/—] €150 mil 4% convy sub nts due 11/01/2006	B
Manzle Income Trust €203 mil pfd shares A units	BBB

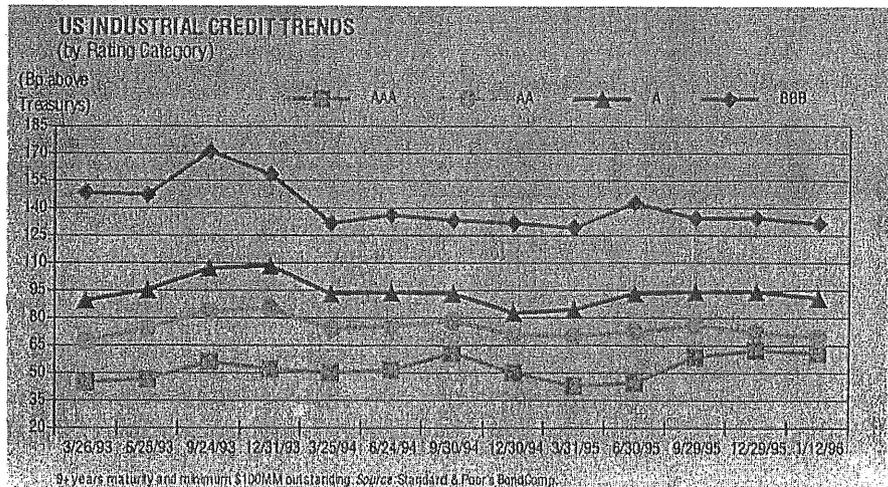
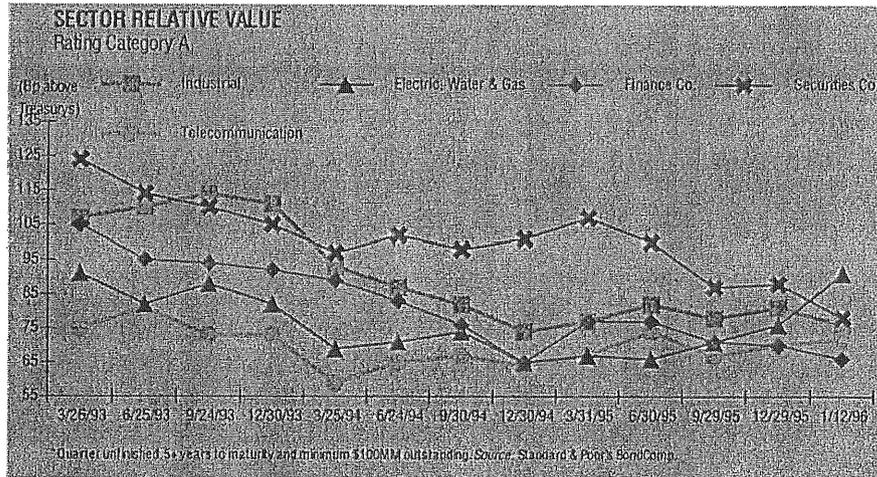
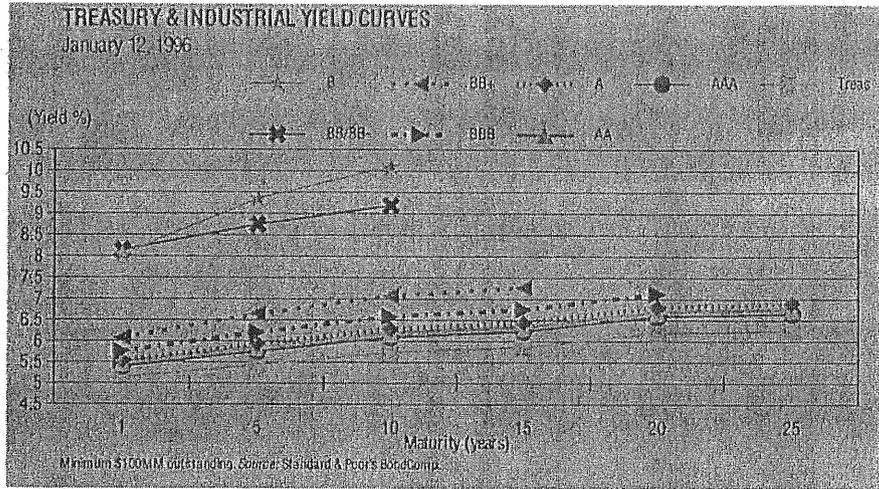
NEW RATINGS

Marks & Spencer PLC [A/Stable/A-1] €375 mil 6.375% nts due 11/07/2011	A
€550 mil 5.125% nts due 11/07/2006	A
Marlyehone Road CBO 3 B.V. €850 mil pool of reference credits and €89.25 mil med-term nts due 10/12/2013	AAA
Meditrust Exercisable Put Options Securities Trust [BB-/Watch Neg/—] credit rating	BB-/Watch Neg/—
Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. [AA-/Negative/A-1+] \$30.24 mil fltg rate nts ser 946 due 08/19/2006	AA-
€5.2 bil 0.1% nts ser 979 due 07/01/2005	AA-
€5.6 bil 2% fxd/CMS linked callabls nts ser 971 due 07/05/2010	AA-
Montreal (City of) [A+/Stable/—] \$34 mil fltg rate nts due 11/14/2011	A+
€1.400 bil 6.75% nts due 11/26/2008	A+
New South Wales Treasury Corp. 6% AS benchmark bonds due 05/01/2012 (Std: New South Wales (State of))	AAA
Newmont Mining Corp. [BBB/Negative/—] \$200 mil 304 day revolvy credit fac bank in	BBB
\$409 mil revolvy credit fac due 2006 bank in	BBB
NIB Capital Bank N.V. [AA-/Negative/A-1+] €10.08 bil 5% nts ser 601 due 05/29/2002	AA-
€5 bil 6% knock-out dual cur nts ser 694 due 04/18/2005	AA-
€6.53 bil 5% equity linked redemption nts ser 615 due 08/06/2002	AA-
€500 mil fltg rate nts due 05/22/2006	AA-
Nordic Investment Bank [AAA/Stable/A-1+] \$10 mil cms-linked nts ser 326 due 10/24/2011	AAA

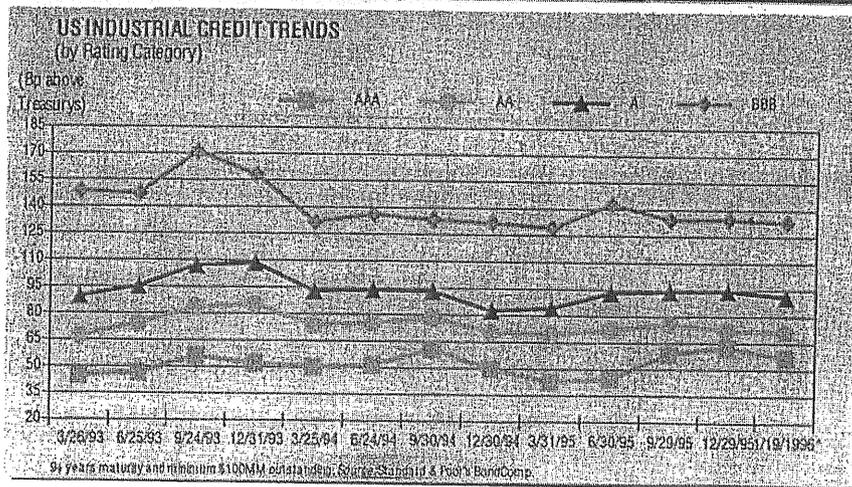
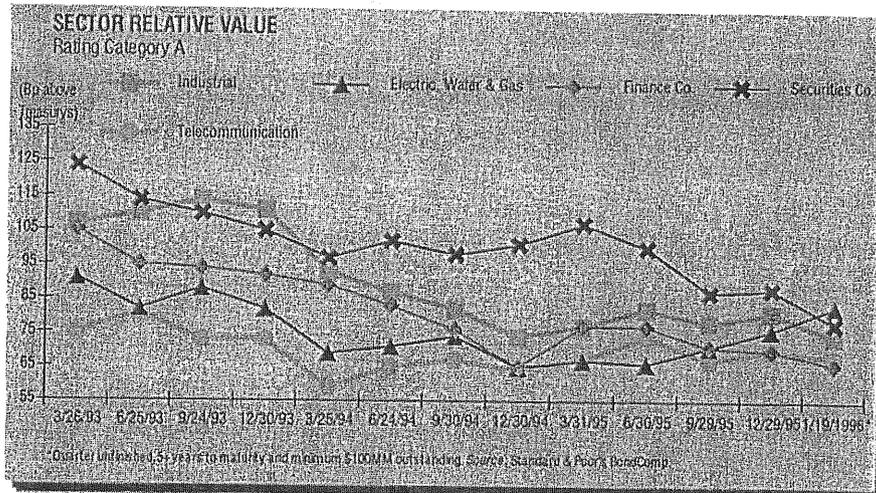
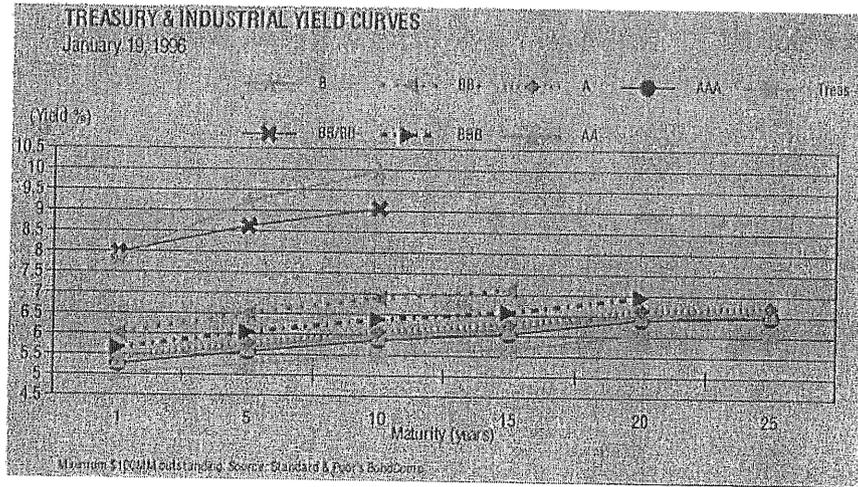
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CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Maury Galbraith

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF
OREGON**

STAFF EXHIBIT 400

Direct Testimony

November 21, 2005

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND**
2 **OCCUPATION.**

3 A. My name is Maury Galbraith. My business address is 550 Capitol Street
4 NE, Suite 215, Salem, Oregon 97301-2551. I am employed by the Public
5 Utility Commission of Oregon (OPUC) as an Economic Analyst in the
6 Electric and Natural Gas Division.

7 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE.**

8 A. My Witness Qualifications Statement is found on Exhibit Staff/401,
9 Galbraith/1.

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Introduction

12 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?**

13 A. Following the framework adopted by Administrative Law Judge Smith, my
14 testimony addresses Transmission and Resource Investments and
15 Renewable Resources and Energy Efficiency. I provide analysis and
16 evaluation of MidAmerican Energy Holding Company (MEHC)
17 commitments related to:

- 18 • Integrated Resource Planning (Commitments 31 and 49);
- 19 • Competitive bidding for generation resources (Commitments 32 and 40);
- 20 • Transmission investment (Commitments 35 and 37);
- 21 • Acquisition of renewable resource projects (Commitment 41);
- 22 • Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (Commitment 43); and
- 23 • Energy efficiency and demand-side management (Commitment 45).

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Commitments 31 and 49: Integrated Resource Planning

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Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 31.

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A. MEHC commits to have PacifiCorp produce Integrated Resource Plans

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according to the then current Commission rules. See PPL/309, Gale/5.

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Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 31 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO

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PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?

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A. No. Irrespective of MEHC's proposed acquisition, PacifiCorp will continue

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to be subject to the Commission's Integrated Resource Planning (IRP)

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guidelines. PacifiCorp has abided by the Commission's IRP guidelines in

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the past and Staff would expect continued compliance absent the

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proposed transaction. The fact that the Commission is currently reviewing

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its IRP guidelines in Docket UM 1056 has no impact on my conclusion.

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Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 49.

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A. MEHC commits to have PacifiCorp provide public notice and an invitation

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to stakeholders to participate in PacifiCorp's IRP process. See PPL/309,

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Gale/10.

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Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 49 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO

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PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?

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A. No. Public involvement in the development of Integrated Resource Plans

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is a key procedural element of IRP. See Order No. 89-507. PacifiCorp's

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current practice is to use its IRP Mailbox (at IRP@PacifiCorp.com) to

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provide public notice and invite stakeholders to IRP Public Input Meetings.

1 Irrespective of MEHC's proposed acquisition, I would expect PacifiCorp to
2 continue this practice in order to satisfy the Commission's public
3 involvement guideline. The fact that the Commission is currently
4 reviewing its IRP guidelines in Docket UM 1056 has no impact on my
5 conclusion.

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7 **Commitments 32 and 40: Competitive Bidding for Generation Resources**

8 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 32.**

9 A. MEHC commits to comply with state laws, regulations and orders that
10 pertain to procurement of new generation resources. See PPL/309,
11 Gale/5.

12 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 32 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
13 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

14 A. No. Irrespective of MEHC's proposed acquisition, PacifiCorp will continue
15 to be subject to the Commission's Competitive Bidding guidelines.
16 PacifiCorp has abided by the Commission's Competitive Bidding
17 guidelines in the past and Staff would expect continued compliance
18 absent the proposed transaction. The fact that the Commission is
19 currently reviewing its competitive bidding guidelines in Docket UM 1182
20 has no impact on my conclusion.

21 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 40.**

22 A. In addition to MEHC Commitment 32, for the next ten years, MEHC
23 commits to submit as part of any Request for Proposal (RFP) for

1 generation resources a 100 MW or more utility “own/operate” proposal for
2 the particular resource. See PPL/309, Gale/8.

3 **Q. DOES MEHC COMMITMENT 40 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
4 **PACIFICORP’S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

5 A. No. The addition of a PacifiCorp “own/operate” option to each PacifiCorp
6 RFP issued in the next ten years would create a series of potential
7 benefits and costs. The addition of a PacifiCorp ownership option to an
8 RFP would be a benefit if it turns out to be one of the best resources or
9 otherwise disciplines the bids of other competitors. The addition of a
10 PacifiCorp ownership option to a RFP would be a cost if it is chosen over
11 better resource options or otherwise creates the perception of a biased or
12 unfair competitive bidding process. The net impact of Commitment 40 is
13 ambiguous and not readily quantifiable.

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15 **Commitment 35: Transmission Investment**

16 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 35.**

17 A. MEHC commits to use best efforts to develop three incremental
18 transmission projects (i.e., Path-C Upgrade, Mona – Oquirrh, and Walla
19 Walla – Yakima or Mid-C). The estimated cost of these projects totals
20 \$362 million. See PPL/309, Gale/6.

21 **Q. WHAT DOES THE PHRASE ‘USE BEST EFFORTS’ MEAN?**

22 A. MEHC indicates that:

1 ...it is possible that upon further review a particular investment
2 might not be cost-effective or optimal for customers. If that
3 should occur, MEHC pledges to propose an alternative to the
4 Commission with a comparable benefit.

5 See PPL/309, Gale/6, Footnote 1. I interpret the phrase 'use best efforts'
6 to mean that MEHC will develop these transmission projects only if the
7 projects are cost-effective or optimal for customers.

8 **Q. HAS MEHC DETERMINED THAT THESE TRANSMISSION**
9 **INVESTMENTS ARE COST-EFFECTIVE OR OPTIMAL FOR**
10 **CUSTOMERS?**

11 A. No. MEHC indicates that it is continuing to review these investments.

12 **Q. HAS PACIFICORP EVALUATED THESE TRANSMISSION**
13 **INVESTMENTS AS PART OF ITS IRP PROCESS?**

14 A. Yes, in part. In its 2004 Integrated Resource Plan Update (2004 IRP
15 Update), filed with the Commission on November 4, 2005, PacifiCorp
16 evaluated the impact of MEHC's commitment to upgrade Path-C. See
17 PacifiCorp's 2004 IRP Update at 33-34 and 38-39. Portfolio 2, which
18 includes resources designed to complement the Path-C transmission
19 upgrade, resulted in an improvement of \$161.68 million compared to a
20 modified version of the 2004 IRP Preferred Portfolio. PacifiCorp
21 determined Portfolio 2 to be the new least-cost, least-risk portfolio and
22 included the Path-C upgrade as part of its Updated Action Plan. See
23 PacifiCorp's 2004 IRP Update at 45-46.

24 **Q. HAS PACIFICORP COMMITTED TO INVEST IN THE PATH-C**
25 **UPGRADE?**

1 A. Yes, with qualification. PacifiCorp has stated that its Updated Action Plan
2 will be the primary driver for its resource procurement going forward.
3 However, although PacifiCorp expects to implement the plan as
4 described, it cautions that the plan is subject to change as new information
5 becomes available or as circumstances change. See PacifiCorp's 2004
6 IRP Update at 48.

7 **Q. DOES MEHC'S COMMITMENT TO INVEST IN THE PATH-C UPGRADE**
8 **PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO PACIFICORP'S OREGON**
9 **RATEPAYERS?**

10 A. No. Presumably PacifiCorp would pursue its Updated Action Plan with or
11 without MEHC.

12 **Q. IN THE EVENT THAT ANY OF THE THREE TRANSMISSION**
13 **INVESTMENTS ARE NOT COST-EFFECTIVE OR OPTIMAL, IS**
14 **MEHC'S PLEDGE MEANINGFUL TO BRING FORWARD**
15 **ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS WITH COMPARABLE BENEFITS?**

16 A. No. If, after further review, MEHC determines that any of three proposed
17 transmission projects are not optimal (i.e., the net present value project
18 costs exceed the net present value customer benefits), then proposing an
19 alternative with comparable benefits does not make logical sense. A low
20 level of customer benefits could be the reason the investment is not
21 optimal. I interpret MEHC's pledge to be that it would be willing to bring
22 forward alternative optimal investments with comparable costs. I do not
23 find a benefit in this pledge in the context of ORS 757.511.

1 **Q. CAN YOU SUCCINCTLY STATE YOUR INTERPRETATION OF MEHC**
2 **COMMITMENT 35?**

3 A. Yes. MEHC has committed to use its best efforts to pursue optimal
4 investments and is willing to spend approximately \$362 million on
5 transmission investment through 2011.

6 **Q. DOES MEHC'S WILLINGNESS TO SPEND APPROXIMATELY \$362**
7 **MILLION ON TRANSMISSION INVESTMENT PROVIDE INCREMENTAL**
8 **VALUE TO PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

9 A. MEHC's willingness to spend approximately \$362 million on transmission
10 investment is not a direct or quantifiable benefit for two main reasons.
11 First, it is unclear if \$362 million is too much, too little, or the optimal
12 amount of transmission investment. If the total cost of cost-beneficial
13 transmission projects is less than \$362 million, then MEHC is committing
14 to spend too much. If the total cost of cost-beneficial transmission
15 projects is more than \$362 million, then MEHC is committing to spend too
16 little. Second, it is unclear if MEHC's willingness to invest is greater than,
17 less than, or equal to ScottishPower's willingness to invest on a going-
18 forward basis. MEHC witness Mr. Abel asserts that MEHC's higher
19 willingness to invest provides greater certainty that prudent investment will
20 be made in a timely manner. See PPL/100, Abel/13-14. However, Mr.
21 Abel also states that, while he believes the benefit of MEHC's long-term
22 ability and willingness to invest in energy infrastructure is significant and
23 real, the benefit is not readily quantifiable. See PPL/100, Abel/23.

1 **Q. IS MEHC’S WILLINGNESS TO INVEST IN ENERGY**
2 **INFRASTRUCTURE SIGNIFICANT AND REAL?**

3 A. The significance of MEHC’s willingness to invest in energy infrastructure is
4 addressed by Staff witness Mr. Conway. See Staff/100.

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6 **Commitment 37: Regional Transmission Issues**

7 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 37.**

8 A. MEHC commits to assist PacifiCorp and the states reach consensus on
9 development of regional transmission projects. See PPL/309, Gale/7.

10 **Q. DOES COMMITMENT 37 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
11 **PACIFICORP’S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

12 A. No. Irrespective of MEHC’s proposed acquisition, Staff would expect
13 PacifiCorp to continue to commit resources and leadership to assist the
14 states in which PacifiCorp serves to develop appropriate transmission
15 infrastructure. More specifically, we would expect PacifiCorp to continue
16 to assist the Bonneville Power Administration in its development of short-
17 term products such as conditional firm and re-dispatch products.

18 **Q. DOES STAFF BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE LIKELY MANY COST-**
19 **BENEFICIAL TRANSMISSION OPPORTUNITIES IN THE WESTERN**
20 **UNITED STATES?**

21 A. Yes. Staff will continue to monitor the issue of transmission investment
22 regardless of ownership of PacifiCorp and support such projects when

1 deemed to be economically justified and considering whether other
2 beneficiaries of such projects should contribute in some manner.

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4 **Commitment 41: Renewable Resource Projects**

5 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 41.**

6 A. MEHC reaffirms PacifiCorp's commitment to acquire 1,400 MW of new
7 cost-effective renewable resources. See PPL/309, Gale/8.

8 **Q. DOES COMMITMENT 41 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO
9 PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

10 A. No. In its 2004 IRP Update, PacifiCorp indicated that it intends to move
11 forward on cost-effective renewable projects bid into its 2004 renewable
12 resources RFP. Following completion of negotiations for projects that can
13 be on line prior to December 31, 2007, PacifiCorp intends to close the
14 2004 RFP and start a new renewable resource procurement process. See
15 PacifiCorp 2004 Integrated Resource Plan Update at 48. Reaffirmation of
16 an existing and on-going PacifiCorp commitment fails to provide a benefit
17 in the context of ORS 757.511.

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19 **Commitment 43: Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions**

20 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 43.**

21 A. MEHC commits to have PacifiCorp participate in the Environmental
22 Protection Agency's SF₆ Emission Reduction Partnership. Through this
23 partnership, MEHC will have PacifiCorp commit to an appropriate

1 emissions reduction goal for this highly potent greenhouse gas. See
2 PPL/309, Gale/8-9.

3 **Q. DOES COMMITMENT 43 PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
4 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

5 A. No. MEHC Commitment 43, when considered as part of a global effort to
6 reduce greenhouse gas emissions, has the potential to benefit future
7 generations of Oregonians, however, it does not provide an incremental
8 benefit to the current generation of Oregon ratepayers. This commitment
9 appears to be more targeted towards addressing harm to the public
10 generally.

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12 **Commitment 45: Energy Efficiency and Demand-Side Management**

13 **Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE MEHC COMMITMENT 45.**

14 A. MEHC commits to conducting a company-defined third-party study to
15 identify deliverable demand-side management (DSM) opportunities within
16 PacifiCorp's service area. The Company commits to have MEHC
17 shareholders absorb the first \$1 million of the costs of the study. MEHC
18 also commits to meeting PacifiCorp's portion of the Northwest Power and
19 Conservation Council's energy efficiency targets for Oregon, Washington,
20 and Idaho, as long as they can be achieved in a manner deemed cost-
21 effective by the affected states. Finally, MEHC commits to annual
22 collaboration between PacifiCorp and MidAmerican Energy Company to

1 identify incremental DSM programs that might be cost-effective for
2 PacifiCorp customers. See PPL/309, Gale/9-10.

3 **Q. HAS STAFF RECENTLY RECOMMENDED THAT PACIFICORP**
4 **CONDUCT A CONSERVATION POTENTIAL STUDY FOR ITS ENTIRE**
5 **SERVICE AREA?**

6 A. Yes. In Docket LC 39, concerning PacifiCorp's 2004 Integrated Resource
7 Plan, Staff recommended that prior to the next IRP or Action Plan brought
8 forward for Commission acknowledgement PacifiCorp:

9 Conduct an economic analysis of achievable Class 1 and Class
10 2 DSM measures in PacifiCorp's service area over the IRP
11 study period and assess how the company's base and planned
12 programs compare with the cost-effective amounts determined
13 in the study.

14 See Staff Report on PacifiCorp's 2004 Integrated Resource Plan
15 presented at the Commission's Special Public Meeting on August 1, 2005.

16 In the Commission's recent investigation of its guidelines for Integrated
17 Resource Planning (Docket UM 1056), Staff commented:

18 Planning for demand-side management remains an integral part
19 of the resource planning process for all utilities in determining
20 the least-cost/least-risk portfolio. Therefore, all utilities should be
21 responsible for assessing conservation potential. Where a
22 statutory requirement mandates certain conservation provisions,
23 such as third-party program funding and administration, the
24 utility should work cooperatively with that party on studies of
25 conservation potential.

26 See Staff Opening Comments in Docket UM 1056 at 13.

27 **Q. DOES MEHC'S COMMITMENT TO CONDUCT A CONSERVATION**
28 **POTENTIAL STUDY FOR PACIFICORP'S ENTIRE SERVICE AREA**

1 **PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO PACIFICORP'S OREGON**
2 **RATEPAYERS?**

3 A. No, for two reasons. First, a conservation potential study is a planning
4 tool for assessing conservation potential. A conservation study simply
5 identifies opportunities for cost-effective DSM. To provide incremental
6 value to Oregon ratepayers, PacifiCorp would also need to follow through
7 and implement the cost-effective DSM programs. Second, as I indicated
8 earlier, irrespective of MEHC's proposed acquisition, PacifiCorp will
9 continue to be subject to the Commission's IRP guidelines. Staff believes
10 that equal consideration of DSM will continue to be an integral part of the
11 Commission's IRP guidelines. PacifiCorp has abided by the
12 Commission's IRP guidelines in the past and Staff would expect continued
13 compliance absent the proposed transaction. This commitment does not
14 provide a benefit in the context of ORS 757.511.

15 **Q. DOES MEHC'S COMMITMENT TO HAVE SHAREHOLDERS ABSORB**
16 **THE FIRST \$1 MILLION IN COSTS FOR THE CONSERVATION**
17 **POTENTIAL STUDY PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
18 **PACIFICORP'S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

19 A. No. The Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO) recently issued a solicitation for a
20 study of achievable conservation potential through 2017. The ETO study,
21 funded by Oregon public purpose charges, will cover PacifiCorp's Oregon
22 service area. PacifiCorp's Oregon ratepayers have already paid for a
23 conservation potential study and, therefore, it is doubtful that PacifiCorp

1 would be able to recover the cost of second study for its Oregon service
2 area in rates. In addition, whether ORS 757.612 would allow PacifiCorp to
3 recover in rates the cost of a conservation potential study for its Oregon
4 service area remains an unresolved legal issue. See Docket UM 1169.
5 MEHC's commitment to have shareholders absorb the first \$1 million
6 spent on a conservation study does not provide incremental value
7 because Oregon ratepayers have already paid for the ETO study.

8 **Q. DOES MEHC'S COMMITMENT TO MEET PACIFICORP'S SHARE OF**
9 **THE NORTHWEST POWER AND CONSERVATION COUNCIL'S**
10 **ENERGY EFFICIENCY TARGETS FOR OREGON, WASHINGTON, AND**
11 **IDAHO PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO PACIFICORP'S**
12 **OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

13 A. No. MEHC qualifies its commitment by adding that it will meet
14 PacifiCorp's share of the targets only if it can be done in a manner
15 deemed to be cost-effective by the affected states. A substantive goal of
16 the Commission's IRP process is to identify a least-cost, least-risk
17 resource portfolio. To achieve this goal PacifiCorp must give equal
18 consideration to demand-side and supply-side resources. Irrespective of
19 the proposed transaction, Staff expects PacifiCorp to continue to identify
20 and acquire cost-effective demand-side resources in its service area.
21 MEHC's commitment simply restates PacifiCorp's current resource
22 planning and acquisition practices, and therefore does not provide
23 incremental value to Oregon ratepayers.

1 **Q. DOES MEHC’S COMMITMENT TO ANNUAL COLLABORATION**
2 **BETWEEN MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY AND PACIFICORP TO**
3 **IDENTIFY COST-EFFECTIVE DSM AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS**
4 **PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO PACIFICORP’S OREGON**
5 **RATEPAYERS?**

6 A. No. Any ratepayer benefit from collaboration between PacifiCorp and
7 MidAmerican Energy Company to identify cost-effective DSM programs is
8 not readily quantifiable.

9 **Q. DO THE COMMITMENTS MADE IN MEHC COMMITMENT 45, TAKEN**
10 **ALL TOGETHER, PROVIDE INCREMENTAL VALUE TO**
11 **PACIFICORP’S OREGON RATEPAYERS?**

12 A. No.

13 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

14 A. Yes.

CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Maury Galbraith

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 401

Witness Qualifications Statement

November 21, 2005

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

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EXPERIENCE: The Public Utility Commission of Oregon has employed me since April 2000. My primary responsibility is to provide expert analysis of issues related to power supply in the regulation of electric utility rates.

From April 1998 through March 2000 I was a Research Specialist with the State of Washington Office of the Administrator for the Courts in Olympia, Washington.

From April 1993 through August 1995 I was a Safety Economist with the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation in Bethesda, Maryland.

CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Ed Durrenberger

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 500

Direct Testimony

REDACTED VERSION

November 21, 2005

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND**
2 **OCCUPATION.**

3 A. My name is Ed Durrenberger. My business address is 550 Capitol Street
4 NE, Suite 215, Salem, Oregon 97301-2551. I am employed by the Public
5 Utility Commission of Oregon (OPUC) as a Senior Revenue Requirement
6 Analyst for the Rates and Tariffs Section in the Electric and Natural Gas
7 Division.

8 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE.**

9 A. My Witness Qualifications Statement is found on Staff/501,
10 Durrenberger/1.

11 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR ROLE IN THIS DOCKET?**

12 A. I am the Staff analyst investigating Financial Forecasts, Certain Operating
13 and Maintenance Costs, Coal Supply and Generation and Environmental
14 Issues as they relate to the proposed acquisition of PacifiCorp (company)
15 by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC) (“applicant”).

16 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS TESTIMONY?**

17 A. I will evaluate a number of the individual Commitments made by the
18 applicants related to the issue of Infrastructure and Resource Investments.
19 Additionally I examined the effect on future revenue requirement that the
20 capital and expense items in the commitments would cause should the
21 Commission find them to be prudent in a future rate case.

22 **Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED ANY EXHIBITS?**

1 A. Yes. I prepared Staff/501, consisting of one page and Staff/502,
2 consisting of 14 pages.

3 **Q. HOW IS YOUR TESTIMONY ORGANIZED?**

4 A. My testimony is organized based on the structure identified by the
5 Administrative Law Judge in her Ruling dated November 1, 2005.

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Infrastructure and Resource Investments

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**Q. WHAT IS THE FIRST COMMITMENT YOU HAVE EVALUATED
9 REGARDING RESOURCE OR INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS?**

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A. I evaluated the applicant's Commitment 36 (b) involving investment in
11 local transmission risk projects across all PacifiCorp states with a
12 monetary commitment of \$69 million over eight years.

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Q. WHAT ARE LOCAL TRANSMISSION RISK PROJECTS?

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A. The applicant has described local transmission risk projects as small
15 relatively low cost improvement projects to existing transmission systems
16 that could improve reliability to local transmission systems. Neither MEHC
17 nor PacifiCorp has provided detail as to the number, location or magnitude
18 of these projects although there are pending data request responses that
19 may provide answers to these questions.

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**Q. DOES COMMITMENT 36(b) PROVIDE A BENEFIT FOR OREGON
21 CUSTOMERS THAT WOULD NOT OCCUR ABSENT THE
22 ACQUISITION?**

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1 A. No, MECH has not explained which projects this Commitment applies to,
2 nor is there any evidence that any of these local transmission risk projects
3 would occur in Oregon or affect reliability or service for Oregon customers.
4 Staff data request have been issued and an answer is pending. See
5 Staff/502, Durrenberger/ 1 In the absence of specifics I am unable to
6 conclude that Commitment 36(b) creates a benefit for PacifiCorp's Oregon
7 customers.

8 **Q. DID YOU INVESTIGATE OTHER TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION**
9 **MATTERS?**

10 A. Yes, I looked at Commitments 36(c) and (d). Commitment 36(c) is a
11 commitment for the Accelerated Distribution Circuit Fusing program
12 funding to be increased by \$1.5 million per year for 5 years after the
13 transaction.

14 **Q. DOES THIS COMMITMENT PROVIDE A BENEFIT TO OREGON**
15 **CUSTOMERS?**

16 A. This commitment is not tied to an improvement in the reliability guarantees
17 the company and the Commission currently have agreed to as part of their
18 comprehensive Service Quality Measures (SQM). Since this contains no
19 clear and verifiable statement of benefit such as a 10% improvement to
20 one of the SQM metrics, I cannot conclude that this Commitment
21 represents a benefit to Oregon customers.

22 **Q. WHAT IS COMMITMENT 36(d)?**

1 A. Commitment 36(d) is an extension for three years across all PacifiCorp
2 states for the Saving SAIDI initiative.

3 **Q. WHAT IS SAIDI?**

4 A. SAIDI stands for System Average Interruption Duration Index. It is an
5 indication of the amount of time the customer is without power over the
6 year. It along with SAIFI, an outage frequency index and CAIDI which
7 measures outages by customers, are all ways to measure a utility's
8 performance.

9 **Q. WHAT DOES COMMITMENT 36(d) MEAN TO OREGON CUSTOMERS?**

10 A. The Oregon Commission has entered into a SQM agreement with
11 PacifiCorp that was recently extended for ten more years. SAIDI is one of
12 the service quality measures in this program. PacifiCorp currently
13 operates within the thresholds that have been established in the SQM.
14 Since the SAIDI service metrics will be in place for at least ten years I
15 cannot conclude that extending the Saving SAIDI Initiative for an
16 additional three years from the date of the acquisition has any incremental
17 value to Oregon customers.

18 **Q. ARE THERE ANY OTHER COMMITMENTS RELATED TO**
19 **INFRASTRUCTURE AND RESOURCE INVESTMENTS THAT YOU**
20 **EVALUATED?**

21 A. Yes. I evaluated the applicant's Commitment 42 under which MEHC and
22 PacifiCorp commit to consider utilizing advanced coal-fuel technology
23 when adding coal-fueled generation. I wholeheartedly support the

1 development and application of clean coal technology, but the language of
2 this Commitment does not contain a measurable or enforceable action
3 plan. Some of the advanced coal-fuel technology mentioned in the
4 Commitment, specifically Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC),
5 does not appear to be fully proven in the market place. See Staff/502,
6 Durrenberger/ 2-10 Furthermore, the applicant is merely committing to
7 something that is required by a prudently operated regulated utility, and as
8 such Commitment 42 does not add an incremental benefit. PacifiCorp's
9 current Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) contains a discussion about the
10 ongoing investigation into clean coal technology, further demonstrating
11 that this is not an incremental benefit and as such adds no value to the
12 transaction. See Staff/502, Durrenberger/11-12

13 **Q. DID YOU ANALYZE OTHER COMMITMENTS RELATED TO**
14 **INFRASTRUCTURE AND RESOURCES?**

15 A. Yes, I investigated the applicants' Commitment 44.

16 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ABOUT COMMITMENT 44?**

17 A. Commitment 44 proposes to accelerate spending on emission control
18 equipment to meet expected emission limits in advance of when the limits
19 become effective. PacifiCorp has indicated that the proposed equipment
20 is proven technology and that some of the incremental investment may
21 actually involve moving a project that is on a long range capital plan up to
22 the certainty of installing it within a few years after the acquisition. By
23 committing to install this equipment now the company may gain some

1 advantages. For instance, there is an advantage to being able to
2 schedule the installations in conjunction with regular outages and save on
3 costly power purchases. It may also save on capital costs by “beating the
4 rush” in procuring the equipment. And, an obvious benefit is that the
5 equipment will help reduce coal-fueled generating plant emissions, so
6 early installation is advantageous.

7 **Q. ARE THERE POTENTIAL RISKS OF ADDING EMISSION REDUCTION**
8 **EQUIPMENT BEFORE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHES**
9 **NEW EMISSION STANDARDS?**

10 A. Yes. There is uncertainty in installing control equipment ahead of the
11 regulations in that the equipment may not be sufficient to meet
12 governmental emission targets, or there may be technological
13 improvements available at a later date closer to when the new emission
14 targets go into effect.

15 **Q. WHAT DO YOU CONCLUDE ABOUT COMMITMENT 44?**

16 A. While Staff supports cost-effective reductions in harmful emissions, it is
17 difficult to evaluate the merits of MEHC’s proposal, and it raises risks in
18 that capital expenditures will be made that may not be the most efficient
19 technology. Staff also notes that Commitment 44 seems to be more
20 relevant for the consideration of the public in general as compared to
21 PacifiCorp customers. This is because emission reduction programs
22 benefit society in general. PacifiCorp customers would presumably pay
23 for the investments found to be prudent. On the whole I cannot conclude

1 that this commitment provides a value that should be considered in
2 determining net benefit from the transaction.

3 **Q. WHAT OTHER COMMITMENTS HAVE YOU LOOKED AT?**

4 A. I reviewed Commitment 24 whereby PacifiCorp would continue the Blue
5 Sky tariff offering in all states¹. In Oregon the utility is already required by
6 ORS 757.603(12)(a) to offer a renewable energy program. Furthermore,
7 this program is designed to be revenue neutral because any additional
8 costs to use green power are covered by a surcharge paid by customers
9 signing up for the program. This commitment has no incremental value
10 insofar as the acquisition is concerned.

11 **Q. DID YOU EVALUATE OTHER COMMITMENTS THAT MEHC HAS
12 MADE?**

13 A. I investigated Commitments 25 and 26. Commitment 25 states that
14 PacifiCorp would continue to gather outside input on environmental
15 matters from groups such as the Environmental Forum.

16 **Q. WHO IS THE ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM?**

17 A. The Environmental Forum (Forum) is a group put together by PacifiCorp
18 "...consisting of external parties representing a range of stakeholder
19 interests." See Staff/502, Durrenberger/ 13 The Forum has ten members
20 and they are affiliated with renewable, environmental and natural resource
21 groups although they do not necessarily represent these groups at the
22 Forum. The Environmental Forum exists to meet the requirements of the

¹ "Blue Sky" is the renewable energy program at PacifiCorp.

1 IRP standards and guidelines and is used to review environmental
2 externalities of alternate resources.

3 **Q. DOES COMMITMENT 25 PROVIDE A BENEFIT?**

4 A. Not insofar as the acquisition is concerned. The Forum is part of a
5 PacifiCorp business process. It is not an incremental benefit as a result of
6 the acquisition.

7 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR EVALUATION OF COMMITMENT 26?**

8 A. Commitment 26 requires PacifiCorp to continue to self certify its
9 environmental management systems, to ISO 14001 standards at all its
10 thermal generating plants. This Commitment does not have an
11 incremental value that provides an additional benefit to the transaction
12 because it is currently in place. No evidence was presented that the
13 program would not continue absent the acquisition. Additionally, the
14 environmental monitoring and controls are prescribed in the emission
15 permits.

16 **Other Effects of the Proposed MEHC Transaction**

17 **Q. HAVE YOU INVESTIGATED OTHER ASPECTS OF THE PROPOSED**
18 **TRANSACTION?**

19 A. Yes. I have examined the implications to customer rates of the
20 incremental \$1.3 billion dollars in improvements to the PacifiCorp
21 infrastructure that allegedly would occur but for the application.

22 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS EVALUATION?**

1 A. The purpose is to review the impacts to customers, focusing on the rate
2 impacts from the investments. CONFIDENTIAL/ [REDACTED]
3 [REDACTED] /CONFIDENTIAL The spending is detailed over a nine
4 year period and represents both the capital investments and expense
5 savings and costs contained in the applicants commitments. I estimate
6 the rate impact on customers to roughly equate to CONFIDENTIAL/ [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED] /CONFIDENTIAL

8 **Q. DOES THIS REPRESENT HARM TO CUSTOMERS?**

9 A. The Commission will only allow fair and reasonable cost into rates at the
10 time it evaluates whether these investments are prudent. Therefore, I
11 cannot conclude that this is a harm or benefit for the purposes of this
12 proceeding.

13 **Q. DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

14 A. Yes.
15
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CASE: UM 1209
WITNESS: Ed Durrenberger

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 501

Witness Qualifications Statement

November 21, 2005

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

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EMPLOYER: PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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ADDRESS: 550 CAPITOL ST. NE, SALEM, OR 97310-1380

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1979

EXPERIENCE: EMPLOYED AT THE OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY
COMMISSION STARTING IN FEBRUARY 2004 AS A
SENIOR REVENUE REQUIREMENT ANALYST.
CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE STAFF
RESEARCH AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT ON A WIDE
RANGE OF ELECTRICAL AND NATURAL GAS COST
RECOVERY ISSUES AS WELL AS RESEARCH AND
EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED PACIFICORP
ACQUISITION.

OTHER EXPERIENCE:
OVER TWENTY YEARS OF ENGINEERING,
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPERIENCE IN
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ENVIRONMENT. EXPERIENCE IN PRODUCTION
MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL IN HIGH TECH
MANUFACTURING.

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Exhibit in Support of Testimony

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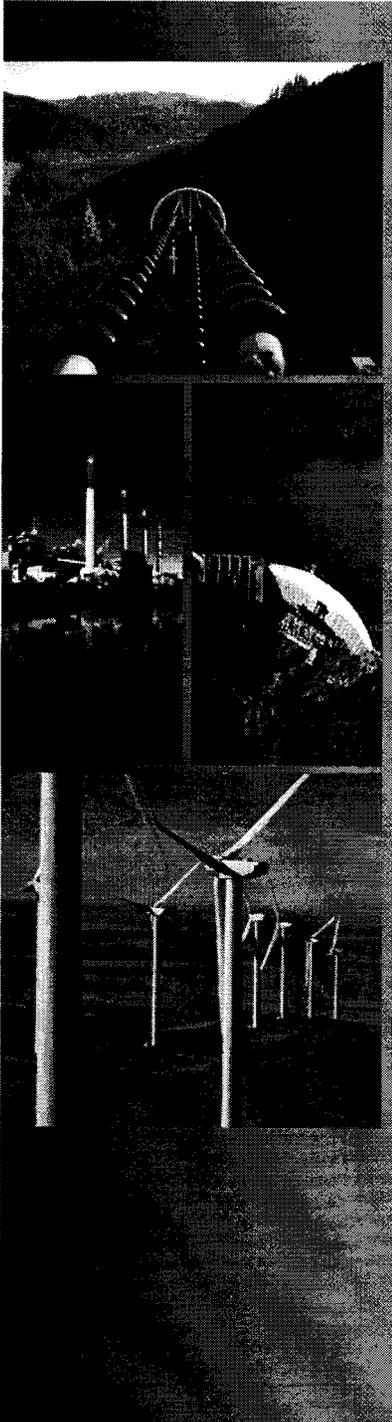
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RE:	<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Staff Request No.</u>	<u>Response Due By</u>
	UM 1209	DR 132-134	November 17, 2005

Please provide responses to the following request for information. Contact the undersigned before the response due date noted above if the request is unclear or if you need more time.

132. In Exhibit PPL/ 309 page 7, Consolidated List of Commitments, Commitment 36) (b) regarding investment in local transmission risk projects across all states;
- Does the company anticipate getting pre-approval or seeking some other regulatory approval of these projects (and in a broader sense any of the other proposed commitments that require significant capital outlays and prudence hasn't been established) that may be different than the current Oregon regulatory process?
 - Please detail the transmission risk projects proposed for Oregon.
 - Has there been any evaluation as to the cost benefit of any Oregon transmission risk projects?
 - Are any of the Oregon local transmission risk projects planned currently in the queue to be completed but perhaps with different timing under the present ownership?
133. In Exhibit PPL/309 page 9, Consolidated List of Commitments, Commitment 44) regarding emission reduction from Coal-Fueled Generation;
- Can you show any analysis that demonstrates expected cost savings or other economic benefits from accelerating the installation schedule on environmental equipment ahead of regulatory compliance requirements?
 - Is there a risk that the emission control equipment proposed to be installed may not meet the future requirements once they have been promulgated or that they may not be the best available control technology when actually required?



Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) Update

Bill Edmonds

Jim Lacey

November 1, 2005



Overview

PacifiCorp considered IGCC as a resource option in numerous candidate resource portfolios developed for the 2004 IRP.

- IGCC not selected based on cost projections

PacifiCorp recognizes the potential of IGCC and continues to explore the technology:

- Discussions with suppliers.
- Completion of a preliminary engineering study of estimated IGCC costs.
- Additional conceptual study of IGCC using Powder River Basin coal
- Updated costs and analysis in IRP Update

Overview

- Higher cost of IGCC poses a substantial challenge to IGCC development
 - Current regulatory planning framework mandates a least cost/risk approach
 - IRP process already uses an \$8/ton carbon "add-on" to evaluate carbon risk of new resources.
 - Conventional coal currently seen as least cost/risk.
- Difficult to determine if IGCC is the clear choice compared to conventional coal:
 - Lack of valid and accurate cost estimates for CO_2 sequestration
 - No certainty regarding the probability, timing, and stringency of potential carbon regulation.

Performance Comparison

Utah site using bituminous coal at 5,600 feet elevation

		SCPC	IGCC (E-Gas)	IGCC Difference
Capital Cost (TCR)	\$/kW	\$1,746	\$1,957	+ 12.1%
Emissions:				
SO ₂ (% Rem)	Ib/MMBtu	0.059 (95%)	0.016 (99%)	- 73%
NO _x	Ib/MMBtu	0.072	0.011	-85%
PM	Ib/MMBtu	0.012	0.01	-33%
Hg	Ib/TBtu	0.600	0.470	-22%
Efficiency	% HHV	38.2%	40.6%	+6%
Fuel Flexibility	Feed-stocks	Low sulfur (compliance) coals favored	All coals plus liquid & solid opportunity fuels	

IRP Comparison (CY 2005 \$) - Preliminary

2004 IRP

Utah IGCC (1x1 H)

IRP Update (2x1 7FB)

Utah IGCC (no carbon provisions)

Utah IGCC (moderate carbon provisions)

Utah Supercritical PC

Size MW	Capital Cost \$/kW	Average Heat Rate Btu/kWh	Avail- ability %	VOM \$/MWh	FOM \$/kW-yr	Emissions			Cost \$/MWh
						SO ₂	NO _x	Hg	
368	\$2,171	8,311	75%	\$1.83	\$30.52	0.030	0.050	0.600	\$44.27
519	\$1,957	8,657	89%	\$0.27	\$62.01	0.016	0.011	0.470	\$43.90
519	\$2,153	8,657	89%	\$0.27	\$62.01	0.016	0.011	0.470	\$45.87
575	\$1,735	9,129	91%	\$0.78	\$33.77	0.059	0.072	0.600	\$39.35

lb/mmBtu lb/mmBtu lb/TBtu

IGCC Design HR 8,405
IGCC Design Eff. 40.6%

SCPC Design HR 8,924
SCPC Design Eff. 38.2%

Coal Plant Capital Costs (no Carbon Capture Provisions)

	PC (IRP)	SCPC (IRP)	IGCC (CP)	IGCC (GE)	CCCT (IRP)
Plant Capacity (MW)	575	575	519	528	535
EPC Direct Cost (Parsons)	\$697	\$721	\$692	\$817	\$259
Owner's Costs and Contingency	\$181	\$187	\$229	\$257	\$44
AFUDC	<u>\$92</u>	<u>\$95</u>	<u>\$94</u>	<u>\$110</u>	<u>\$30</u>
Total \$	\$970	\$1,004	\$1,016	\$1,184	\$333
Total (\$/kW)	\$1,687	\$1,746	\$1,957	\$2,244	\$623

Notes: All costs in 2005 \$ and rounded to nearest Million

PC - Subcritical conventional pulverized coal

SCPC - Supercritical conventional pulverized coal

SCPC calculated based on a 3.5% premium compared to PC

All Coal Plants are assumed to be at Hunter using Utah/Colorado coal

PC/SCPC/CCCT costs based on IRP data

IGCC costs based on Parsons Study and Adjust for IRP data

Contingency % higher on newer technology options.

Note: Performance values are changing as vendors adjust equipment expectations

Cost of Electricity Comparison in 2012 (w/o carbon capture provisions)

	PC (IRP)	SCPC (IRP)	IGCC (CP)	IGCC (GE)	CCCT (IRP)
Plant Capacity (MW)	575	575	519	528	535
Capital Cost in \$/kW)	\$1,687	\$1,746	\$1,957	\$2,244	\$623
Levelized Capital (\$/MWh)	\$19.77	\$20.38	\$23.21	\$26.31	\$12.07
Design Heat Rate (Btu/kWh)	9,270	8,924	8,405	8,850	6,947
Fuel Cost (\$/mmBtu)	\$1.55	\$1.54	\$1.54	\$1.54	\$5.57
Environmental (CO ₂ at \$8/ton)	\$9.79	\$9.50	\$7.98	\$8.40	\$3.67
Fuel (\$/MWh)	\$14.96	\$14.52	\$13.14	\$13.83	\$39.46
Fixed O&M (\$/kW-yr)	\$32.23	\$33.77	\$62.01	\$63.10	\$8.85
Fixed O&M (\$/MWh)	\$4.85	\$5.08	\$9.55	\$9.71	\$1.13
Variable O&M (\$/MWh)	\$0.91	\$0.90	\$0.31	\$0.31	\$3.37
ITC (\$/MWh est.)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
COE (Lev. Cap/1st Yr O&M)	\$50.27	\$50.38	\$54.20	\$58.57	\$59.69

+ 8%

Notes: All Coal Plants are assumed to be at Hunter using Utah/Colorado coal
 PC/SCPC/CCCT costs based on IRP data (2005 \$)
 IGCC costs based on Parsons Study and Adjust for IRP data
 Cost of CO₂ emissions in \$/ton \$8.00
 All COE values calculated at 90% CF for Coal / 65% CF for CCCT
 Gas Cost in \$/mmBtu \$5.57

Conclusions

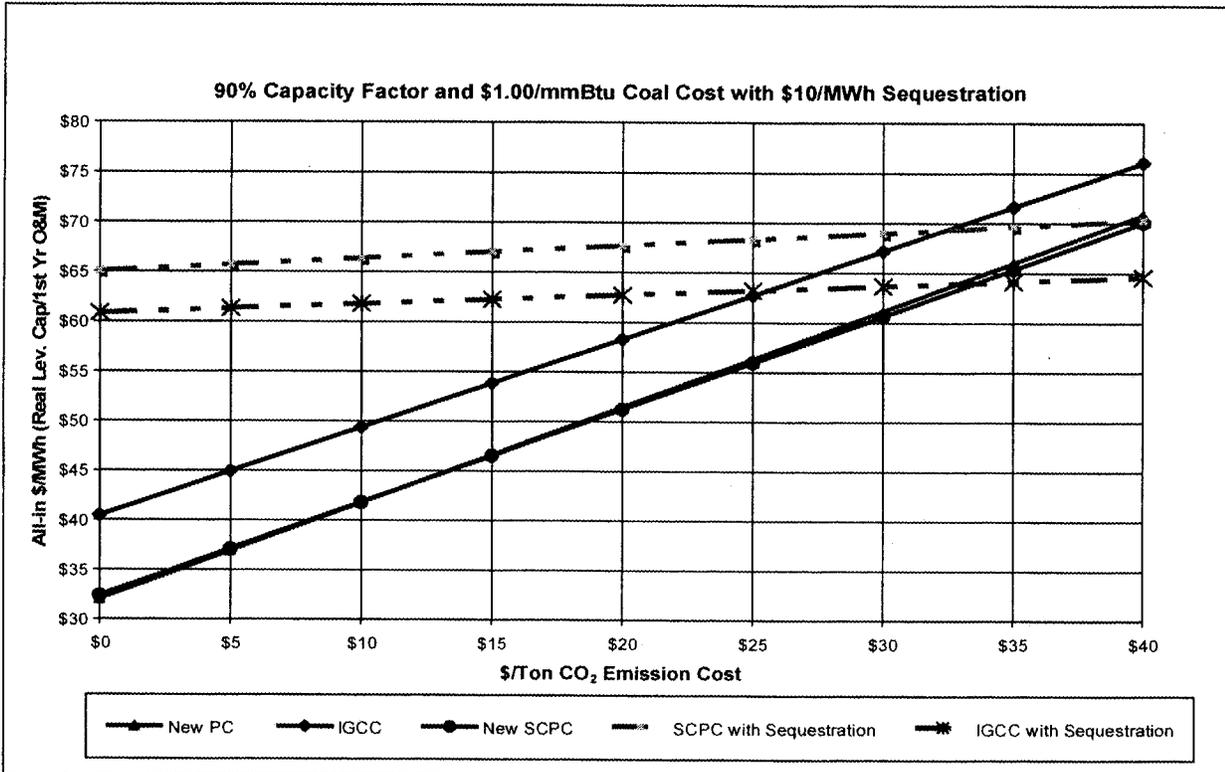
- SCPC and IGCC are very similar technologies in terms of efficiency and emission reduction
- It costs less to capture carbon from an IGCC plant - but that cost is not insignificant
- IGCC is currently more costly for both capital and O&M
- Next generation of IGCC plants are just about to be committed to (performance will not be known before 2013).

IGCC Challenges

- Uncertain IGCC performance on Western coals at elevation
- Terms of consortia "wraps" are unknown - significant potential technology performance risk
- No rate recovery certainty for cost of necessary studies (\$10-\$15M) to develop detailed design and costs - conventional coal plant design and cost available for -\$500k to \$1 M
- Technology is not least cost/risk even with \$8/ton carbon adder
- Utility ratemaking regulatory framework penalizes risk taking - mitigation of utility risk of new technology may be necessary
- IGCC becomes least cost with a carbon cost upwards of \$35/ton - higher than projected under most likely regulatory scenarios
- Issues needing clarity
 - Potential carbon regulation including timing, stringency, costs
 - Construction and operational costs
 - Benefits, cost-effectiveness or viability of carbon sequestration as a compliance mechanism

Figure 6.1 illustrates that IGCC has relatively high costs compared with the new pulverized coal (PC) units and the new supercritical pulverized coal units (SCPC) but there are still benefits to this resource type, e.g., incrementally lower emissions and an easier transition to carbon capture and sequestration. Further, the graph illustrates that at a CO₂ allowance cost of approximately \$33 per ton, IGCC with carbon capture and sequestration would “break-even” with the cost of pulverized coal without carbon capture and sequestration.

Figure 6.1 IGCC Cost Comparison



Coal Portfolio Assessment

Pulverized Coal

In the eastern control area subcritical and supercritical pulverized coal units and IGCC units were considered for this IRP. Generally supercritical pulverized units have better heat rates than subcritical units but are more costly in terms of capital and O&M. Primarily the sites of the plants considered were in central Utah near the existing Hunter plant and near the existing Bridger plant in Wyoming.

A subcritical unit having a capacity of 575 MW at the existing Hunter plant (Hunter 4) in central Utah was evaluated during the modeling process with various installation dates. This Hunter unit would use the latest available emission control technology for SO₂, NO_x, and particulates. The Hunter site is presently viewed as an excellent company owned location for an additional

supercritical boiler results in a more expensive boiler the higher cost of which can be offset by the higher efficiency of the cycle depending on the fuel cost.

Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC)

Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC) is a clean coal technology that utilizes a coal gasification process to produce clean fuel that can then be used to fuel a combined cycle gas turbine. This technology can achieve slightly lower pollutant emission levels and higher efficiencies than a conventional pulverized coal-fired plant. IGCC is only now beginning to reach full commercialization. There are a half a dozen or so commercial plants in the world to date and most of these are fueled by petroleum residuals. Capacity factors for these plants typically have been less than 80%. Work is being done to improve their operation on both coal and petroleum residuals and progress in this area is expected. Capital and operating costs are higher than those of traditional coal-fired plants, but these could come down as larger economies of scale are reached. IGCC production costs in the Utah and Wyoming areas will be further disadvantaged compared to most areas of the United States because of elevation de-rating of the turbines. The next generation of IGCC plants will likely be designed around bituminous fuels, therefore Powder River Basin (PRB) coals may not currently be the best fuel candidates for IGCC plants in the next few years. In the 2004 IRP it was assumed that an “H” combined cycle IGCC unit without a spare gasifier would be the most likely IGCC resource with an expected installation date of FY 2015. This resource is further defined in Appendix C.

Based on recent discussions with technology suppliers, assumptions concerning the short-term characteristics of IGCC resources are changing. These changing assumptions were developed only recently after the modeling evaluation process of this IRP and should be considered as very preliminary. The new assumptions from the technology suppliers concerning the IGCC resource use a “7FB” based gas turbine combined cycle in a 3x2x1 configuration (3 gasifiers, 2 gas turbines, 1 steam turbine) and have an expected availability of 90%. The expected availability of the “H” unit without a spare gasifier was 75%. Off-setting this improvement in availability with the “7FB” machine is a higher heat rate and capital costs that are not as favorable. Based on recent information, emissions from this configuration appear to be better than for the “H” machine assumptions. It is assumed that up to 90% of the CO₂ emissions can be captured with a water gas shift reaction and amine scrubbing. After capturing the carbon, the carbon would have to be sequestered and the most recent information suggests that the cost of carbon sequestration would be around \$10 per MWh. Based on EPRI and GE data it would be less costly to add carbon capture on IGCC units than on pulverized coal units. Figure 6.1 compares the “all-in” cost of the IGCC and the pulverized coal unit with and without carbon collection and carbon dioxide sequestration at differing levels of CO₂ emission costs.

The environmental impacts to be considered from an IGCC plant are similar to those of a pulverized coal plant although IGCC would produce fewer SO₂, NO_x, and Hg emissions. With the addition of carbon capture and sequestration, 90% of CO₂ emissions would be eliminated. Beside air emissions, environmental impacts on surface and ground water, land use, visual aesthetics, waste disposal, and fuel mining, transport, and storage all have to be considered in the permitting and evaluation process.

years of the plan. UCCS also seeks more detail in the action plan, and recommends itemizing the actions that will be taken to implement the chosen portfolio.

Response: The Action Plan summary table (Table 9.2) combines both the findings of need and the implementation actions from the 2003 IRP into one table. In response to the comments, PacifiCorp has modified the Action Plan Implementation section of Chapter 9 to include timelines associated with procuring specific action items. This section has also been modified to include actions PacifiCorp is planning to meet the targets outlined in the summary table.

11. *The IRP will include a plan of different resource acquisition paths for different economic circumstances with a decision mechanism to select among and modify these paths as the future unfolds.*

UCCS, UPSC, UDPU and UAE all refer to this guideline in comments, calls for discussion, and suggests it be an element in the Action Plan.

Response: PacifiCorp included an Action Plan Path Analysis in Chapter 9 of the 2004 IRP. As was indicated in Chapter 9, the majority of the items in the Action Plan will be acted upon prior to the next IRP planning cycle. Therefore, since the time frame for these decisions is short, numerous or significant changes affecting the outcomes are not anticipated. Unless the rules set by the regulatory bodies influencing resource choice decisions change, PacifiCorp would anticipate that the ‘decision mechanism’ would adhere to the least cost / lowest risk dictum given the conditions prevalent at the ‘specific point in time’ that such decisions would be made.

During the public input process, CCS recommended that PacifiCorp use the Capacity Expansion Tool in the Action Plan Path Analysis. PacifiCorp has included this recommendation as an Action Item in the Action Plan. PacifiCorp will continue to work in a collaborative effort with public input meeting participants to improve this area in future IRPs.

12. *The IRP will take into account externalities associated with alternative resources.*

MWC and UAE note that environmental externalities were not expressly considered, except for projected costs for certain specified emission requirements. WCAC comments that the negative impacts of generation emissions on pulmonary health are inadequately weighed in the IRP.

Response: PacifiCorp believes it has taken a reasonable approach to the consideration of environmental externalities, in compliance with IRP standards and guidelines. Our method of quantifying expected future costs of air emissions was extensively reviewed with stakeholders during Public Input Meetings, and with PacifiCorp's Environmental Forum, consisting of external parties representing a range of stakeholder interests.

Specifically, PacifiCorp has included additional costs for environmental externalities through modeling emissions cap and trade programs. Within the IRP model, those resources with fewer emissions receive lower emissions costs than other more heavily polluting resources. These emissions values are also reflected in the total resource cost of each potential new resource in the

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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STAFF EXHIBIT 600

Direct Testimony

November 21, 2005

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND**
2 **OCCUPATION.**

3 A. My name is Clark Jackson. I am employed as the Program Manager for
4 the Consumer Services Section at the Public Utility Commission of
5 Oregon (OPUC or Commission). My business address is 550 Capitol
6 Street NE, Suite 215, Salem, Oregon 97301-2551.

7 **Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE.**

8 A. My Witness Qualifications Statement is found on Exhibit Staff/601,
9 Jackson/5.

10 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR ROLE IN THIS DOCKET?**

11 A. I am the Staff member assigned to comment on MidAmerican Energy
12 Holdings Company (MEHC) and PacifiCorp offer to extend the customer
13 service guarantees (i.e. Commitment 46).

14 **Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS TESTIMONY?**

15 A. I present Staff's recommendations on MEHC and PacifiCorp proposal to
16 extend the customer service guarantees.

17 **Q. HAVE YOU PREPARED ANY EXHIBITS?**

18 A. Yes. I prepared Staff/601, consisting of one page.

19 **Q. HOW IS YOUR TESTIMONY ORGANIZED?**

20 A. My testimony is organized on the structure identified by the Administrative
21 Law Judge in her Ruling dated November 1, 2005.

Customer Service Guarantees**Q. WHAT ARE THE CUSTOMER SERVICE GUARANTEES?**

A. When Scottish Power purchased PacifiCorp in 1999 it agreed to six customer service guarantees. The guarantees covered: Restoring the customer's power, keeping mutually agreed appointments, switching on the customer's power, providing estimates for a new power supply, providing notice of planned interruptions, and timely investigations of customer complaints regarding the quality of electric power supply. When the Company experiences a failure to meet the commitment of a customer guarantee then PacifiCorp either issues the customer a check or a credit to their account. The amounts issued vary based upon the commitment made by the Company and the length of time to fulfill the commitment. The maximum payment is \$200.

Q. WHAT WAS THE LENGTH OF THE COMMITMENT?

A. The original commitment was through March 31, 2005. On August 5, 2004, PacifiCorp notified the OPUC it was going to modify the customer service guarantees and extend them for two years through March 31, 2007. In January 2005, PacifiCorp announced it was extending the customer service guarantees on April 1, 2005, through March 31, 2008. PacifiCorp also stated it would review the program at that time for possible revision and for future continuance.¹

¹ Reference PacifiCorp Advice No. 04-019.

1 **Q. DOES COMMITMENT 46 PROVIDE A BENEFIT FOR OREGON**
2 **CUSTOMERS THAT WOULD NOT BE THERE ABSENT THE**
3 **ACQUISITION?**

4 A. No. There is a strong likelihood PacifiCorp would voluntarily extend the
5 customer service guarantees absent the transaction because the
6 customer service guarantees also benefit the Company. In Commitment
7 46, MEHC and PacifiCorp propose to extend the customer service
8 guarantees through 2011. PacifiCorp has already committed to continue
9 the program through March 31, 2008, and perhaps beyond by stating it
10 would review the program at that time for possible revision and for future
11 continuance.

12 Given the history of the customer service guarantees and
13 PacifiCorp's actions, the customer service guarantees appear to be an
14 internal tool for the company to help ensure it avoids "at-fault complaints."²
15 In the absence of the customer service guarantees, the Commission
16 would likely receive more complaints from PacifiCorp's customers.
17 That would increase the odds of at-fault complaints. Increased at-fault
18 complaints could result in penalties imposed upon the Company for its
19 poor service under the existing Service Quality Measures (SQM). The
20 Company seems to have endorsed the customer service guarantee

² An "at-fault" violation is issued by Staff when a company fails to follow Oregon statutes, OPUC rules, company filed tariffs, internal company policies or procedures, or standard business practices or policies as deemed by the Commission.

1 program because it provides the company a benefit: by paying customers
2 a nominal amount of money for inadequate service through the customer
3 service guarantee program, the company reduces the odds of having to
4 pay for a more costly at-fault violation. To demonstrate this risk-benefit
5 analysis, PacificCorp paid out \$17,200, in fiscal year (FY) 2004, to Oregon
6 customers for 270 failures to meet their customer service guarantees. In
7 PacificCorp's fiscal year 2005, it paid out \$13,050 to Oregon customers for
8 204 failures to meet their customer service guarantees. In comparison, in
9 the absence of the customer service guarantees, those customers who
10 had previously benefited under the existing PacificCorp program would
11 likely have filed complaints with OPUC. In FY 2004 and FY 2005 the
12 company would have reached the first penalty phase under the SQM, if
13 between 20-26% of those complaints were found to be at-fault violations.
14 The first penalty phase includes a cost of up to \$100,000, and the second
15 penalty phase includes a cost of up to \$1,000,000. This analysis supports
16 the concept that PacificCorp voluntarily extended its customer service
17 guarantees in order to avoid penalties; and, suggests PacificCorp would
18 probably continue to offer the program in order to avoid the prospect of the
19 more stringent SQM penalties.

20 **Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?**

21 A. Yes.

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STAFF EXHIBIT 601

Witness Qualifications Statement

November 21, 2005

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EXPERIENCE: Starting in April 2001, I have been employed by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon. I am Program Manager of the Consumer Services Section. Current responsibilities include managing a team of Compliance Specialists, Repair Analysts and support staff that provide information to utility customers and conduct investigations based on consumer complaints against the utilities. The section additionally provides the guidance on compliance to utilities on a wide range of statutes, rules and interpretations of the company's tariffs. Many of our investigations include evaluating customer service. Member of UM 1121 Staff Review Committee, Sale of PGE to Oregon Electric Utility Company, LLC, 2004-2005. Member of UM 1045 Staff Review Committee, Sale of PGE to Northwest Natural Gas Company, 2001-2002

OTHER EXPERIENCE: From September 1977 to February 1995, I worked for Northwest Natural Gas Company in a variety of positions including Manager of the North Coast District, Director of District Marketing and administrative Support, and Director of State and Local Government Relations. Duties included managing an operational division and managing customer service.

OTHER EXPERIENCE: From September 1972 to September 1977, I worked for Texaco Inc (now Chevron-Texaco) in a variety of positions including Customer Service Representative for the five Western States in the Western Region, and Marketing Representative. Duties included evaluating customer service.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of record in this proceeding by delivering a copy in person or by mailing a copy properly addressed with first class postage prepaid, or by electronic mail pursuant to OAR 860-13-0070, to all parties or attorneys of parties.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 21st day of November, 2005.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Jones', written over a horizontal line.

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