

OPUC ACKNOWLEDGES PACIFICORP'S 2016 RPS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WITH CONDITIONS

At a special public meeting on January 10, 2017, the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("OPUC") acknowledged PacifiCorp's 2016 Renewable Portfolio Standard ("RPS") Implementation Plan. PacifiCorp (or the "Company") is not seeking any major new RPS resources over the plan's five-year horizon, which should result in Oregon ratepayers seeing no more than a 0.1% rate increase attributable to recent RPS compliance investment. On behalf of its client, Davison Van Cleve ("DVC") intervened in the proceeding and supported the Commission's imposition of two notable conditions on its acknowledgement, both of which serve to limit any harmful impact to Oregon ratepayers.

First, the Commission will require the Company to calculate new incremental costs for any significant deviation from either the RPS plan or PacifiCorp's Integrated Resource Plan. DVC had argued for such a condition to ensure that the Company will not exceed the four percent statutory cost cap on RPS compliance, which protects ratepayers from excessive utility investment in renewable resources. In addition, DVC argued that its client had demonstrated a need for PacifiCorp to update its firming resource calculations in the Company's RPS plan. The Commission's second condition requires the Company to participate in a special stakeholder workshop to address this and other revisions to the RPS plan process and requirements.