

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: August 16, 2005**

REGULAR CONSENT EFFECTIVE DATE August 17, 2005

DATE: August 12, 2005

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Lisa Schwartz

THROUGH: Lee Sparling, Ed Busch and Jack Breen III

SUBJECT: PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT: (Docket No. UM 1129/Advice No. 05-010)
Updates avoided costs for Schedule 135, Net Metering Service, in compliance with Docket No. UM 1129, Order 05-584 and 05-899.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission allow Pacific Power & Light's Advice No. 05-010, as filed on August 12, 2005, to go into effect August 17, 2005, with less than statutory notice subject to investigation and possible refund pursuant to ORS 757.215(4).

DISCUSSION:

In Docket No. UM 1129, the Commission investigated electric utility purchases from qualifying facilities. The Commission issued Order No. 05-584 on May 13, 2005, directing Pacific Power & Light and the other electric utilities to file revised tariffs and standard contract forms to implement the Commission's decision. On August 2, 2005, the Commission approved those filings subject to investigation and possible refund. See Order No. 05-899.

Oregon's net metering law states, "An electric utility may value the excess kilowatt-hours at the avoided cost of the utility, as determined by the commission...." See ORS 757.300(3)(c). On August 12, 2005, PacifiCorp filed Advice No. 05-010 under ORS 757.205 to make the avoided cost rates the company pays net metering customers consistent with those the Commission approved for the investigation period.

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PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

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