ISSUED: March 16, 2022

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER,

**RULING** 

2021 Integrated Resource Plan.

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO STAY AND TOLL PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE OR,

IN THE ALTERNATIVE, TO AMEND THE PROCEDURAL

**SCHEDULE DENIED** 

On March 3, 2022, NewSun Energy LLC and Sierra Club filed a joint motion to stay and toll the procedural schedule or, in the alternative, to amend the procedural schedule in this proceeding. The grounds are twofold. First, NewSun has attempted to receive, but has not received, information subject to PacifiCorp's general protective order. Motions for certification have been filed on that issue and it will be taken up by the Commission at the March 22, 2022 Regular Public Meeting. Second, the movants argue that PacifiCorp's delay in answering bench requests issued on February 17, 2022, requires an extension of the schedule in order to allow for full analysis of the answers ultimately produced.

While conscious of the amount and complexity of the information in play in this proceeding and of the fact that NewSun's request for certain protected information remains outstanding, this does not outweigh the Commission's interest in substantially adhering to the adopted schedule, given subsequent necessary dockets that flow from this Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). In addition, because PacifiCorp's IRP and Request for Proposal proceedings are done on an ongoing and iterative basis, it is expected that parties will have additional opportunities to engage on the issue in question in future proceedings.

For the reasons set forth above, NewSun and Sierra Club's motion is denied. The current procedural schedule remains unchanged.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> of March, 2022, at Salem, Oregon.

Katharine Mapes
Administrative Law Judge