

Corrected Second Supplemental Direct Testimony

Cindy A. Crane

47 viable without Energy Gateway South, a PacifiCorp transmission project that is not
48 scheduled to be built before the expiration of production tax credits (“PTCs”) in 2020.
49 McFadden Ridge II has a queue position higher than the cutoff point, so the Company
50 removed it from the final shortlist.

51 Second, the restudy identified 1,510 MW of total interconnection capacity for
52 projects in eastern Wyoming, up from 1,270 MW. The Company updated its System
53 Optimizer (“SO”) model simulations taking into account these findings. The SO model
54 continued to select TB Flats I and II, Cedar Springs, and Uinta, but replaced McFadden
55 Ridge II with Ekola Flats for the 2017R RFP final shortlist now that more
56 interconnection capacity was identified.

57 **Q. Did the Company update its SO and Planning and Risk (“PaR”) studies to reassess**
58 **the economic benefits of the Combined Projects?**

59 A. Yes. As explained by Company witness Mr. Link, the Company updated the SO and
60 PaR studies for all nine price-policy scenarios. Mr. Link's updated economic analysis
61 demonstrates increased customer benefits of \$167 million in the medium case through
62 2050 (as compared to \$137 million in the original filing and \$151 million in the first
63 supplemental filing), and an increased benefit range of \$357 million to \$405 million in
64 the medium case through 2036. Moreover, the updated economic analysis demonstrates
65 the Combined Projects continue to provide net customer benefits under all scenarios
66 studied through 2036, and in seven of the nine scenarios through 2050.

67 **Q. Did the Company prepare new sensitivity analyses to test the likelihood of**
68 **achieving these economic benefits?**

69 A. Yes, as in the first supplemental filing, the Company updated several different scenarios

47 viable without Energy Gateway South, a PacifiCorp transmission project that is not
48 scheduled to be built before the expiration of production tax credits (“PTCs”) in 2020.
49 McFadden Ridge II has a queue position higher than the cutoff point, so the Company
50 removed it from the final shortlist.

51 Second, the restudy identified 1,510 MW of total interconnection capacity for
52 projects in eastern Wyoming, up from 1,270 MW. The Company updated its System
53 Optimizer (“SO”) model simulations taking into account these findings. The SO model
54 continued to select TB Flats I and II, Cedar Springs, and Uinta, but replaced McFadden
55 Ridge II with Ekola Flats for the 2017R RFP final shortlist now that more
56 interconnection capacity was identified.

57 **Q. Did the Company update its SO and Planning and Risk (“PaR”) studies to reassess**
58 **the economic benefits of the Combined Projects?**

59 A. Yes. As explained by Company witness Mr. Link, the Company updated the SO and
60 PaR studies for all nine price-policy scenarios. Mr. Link's updated economic analysis
61 demonstrates increased customer benefits of ~~\$196-167~~ million in the medium case
62 through 2050 (as compared to \$137 million in the original filing and ~~\$177-151~~ million
63 in the first supplemental filing), and an increased benefit range of ~~\$333-357~~ million to
64 \$405 million in the medium case through 2036. Moreover, the updated economic
65 analysis demonstrates the Combined Projects continue to provide net customer benefits
66 under all scenarios studied through 2036, and in seven of the nine scenarios through
67 2050.

68 **Q. Did the Company prepare new sensitivity analyses to test the likelihood of**
69 **achieving these economic benefits?**