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GRID OPERATIONS

OPERATING PROCEDURE No. PCC-200

Operating Transmission and Distribution Assets during the Fire Season

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1. Purpose:

The purpose of this procedure is to provide proactive and real time guidelines for operating transmission (>100 kilovolts (kV)), sub-transmission (99 - 34.5 kV), and distribution (<34.5 kV) assets during a time period of declared "fire season", or "red flag warnings."

2. Background:

This Operating Procedure No. PCC-200 (Procedure) implements specific procedures for System Operations during the applicable fire season for each of PacifiCorp's operating districts. This Procedure is designed to reduce the risk of a fire starting during fire season as a result of a fault on PacifiCorp's transmission and distribution systems.

As set forth in detail below, this Procedure directs System Operations to limit the use of line testing and of automatic reclosing equipment in certain, defined circumstances during fire season. In addition, this Procedure prescribes special restrictions on equipment located in areas subject to elevated fire risk, based on a declaration by the National Weather Service (NWS) of a "Red Flag Warning." Special restrictions will apply only while the Red Flag Warning is in effect. Red Flag Warnings are published by the NWS based on fire weather conditions (https://www.weather.gov/wrh/). As explained by the NWS, a Red Flag Warning means that critical fire weather conditions are either occurring or are imminent.

3. Red Flag Warnings:

If the NWS publishes a "Red Flag Warning" in any of our service territory, the steps in this procedure shall be followed regardless of declaration of fire season.

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