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PacifiCorp’s Q1 2023 QDR - In the “Table 3” tab of the Q1 2023 QDR, PacifiCorp reports the total number of “Wire down risks” and “Wire down trends”. The values are summarized in the table below:

| Performance Metric | Count in Q1 2023 |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Wire Down Risks | 59 |
| Wire Down Trends | 34 |

- (a) Please provide a definition for “Wire Down Risks”.
- (b) How is this metric different than the total number “Wire Down Events” provided in “Table 5”?
- (c) “Wire Down Risks” refers to “downed conductor during fire season”.¹ For this purpose, how is PacifiCorp defining fire season?
- (d) Please provide a definition for “Wire Down Trends”.
- (e) “Wire Down Trends” refers to the “[r]eduction in quantity of wire down events, year over year, during the designated fire season period”. For this purpose, how is PacifiCorp defining fire season?
- (f) Given that the Q1 2023 QDR states that both “Wire Down Risks” and “Wire Down Trends” address issues during fire season, why does PacifiCorp report non-zero values in the first quarter of the year (which is not normally considered fire season)?

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- (a) Risk drivers that can cause an electric transmission or distribution conductor to break and fall from its intended position to rest on the ground or a foreign object.
- (b) The total for wire down risks is derived from non-High Fire Threat District (HFTD), CA-Tier-2, CA-Tier-3 and CA-Non-Tier. Wire down events in Table 5 are derived from non-HFTD, CA-Tier-2, and CA-Tier-3.
- (c) The time of year that wildfires are most likely to take place for a given geographic region due to historical weather conditions, vegetative characteristics and impacts of climate change. Goals and targets which have milestones related to the onset, duration, or end of “fire season” or “height of fire season” must be accompanied with

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- (d) Wire down events looking at year over year totals
- (e) Please refer to the Company's response subpart (c) above.
- (f) Wire down events can be more prevalent during fire season depending on the risk driver, however, they can happen at any time during the year. To ensure accurate reporting, they are tracked and included for each Quarterly Data Report (QDR).