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Re: CA R.18-10-007

CalAdvocates-PacifiCorp-2021WMP-03

Please find enclosed PacifiCorp's responses to CalPA data requests 3.1-3.4. Also provided are Attachments CalPA 3.3 and 3.4.

If you have any questions, please call me at (503) 813-7314.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_/s/\_ Pooja Kishore Manager, Regulation

## **CalPA Data Request 3.1**

## PacifiCorp's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plans

- (a) Does PacifiCorp alter the settings of its reclosers (for example, disabling automatic reclosing or increasing the sensitivity of trip settings) in HFTD areas or other high fire risk areas during the California wildfire season (between June and December)?
- (b) If the answer to part (a) is yes, describe how PacifiCorp alters the settings.
- (c) If the answer to part (a) is yes, identify at what locations PacifiCorp applies different settings.
- (d) If the answer to part (a) is yes, identify the months of the year when PacifiCorp applies different settings.

# Response to CalPA Data Request 3.1

- (a) The Company does not adjust recloser settings within High Fire Threat District areas or other high fire risk areas for the duration of the California wildfire season.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Not applicable.

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# CalPA Data Request 3.2

#### PacifiCorp's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plans

Under what conditions does PacifiCorp alter the settings of its reclosers, other than as identified in Question 1 above?

### **Response to CalPA Data Request 3.2**

PacifiCorp alters the settings of its reclosers under the following conditions:

- a) Holds associated with crews working on a "hot" line. This can be done at the substation breaker level or a field recloser level.
- b) Reclosing is disabled when closing a substation breaker to restore a circuit.
- c) Public Safety Power Shut-off Watches as identified in the Wildfire Mitigation Plan.
- d) Fire season operational procedures.

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#### CalPA Data Request 3.3

#### PacifiCorp's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plans

Provide all supporting procedures and standards that include the process for altering automatic recloser settings.

# Response to CalPA Data Request 3.3

PacifiCorp assumes this request is focused on the fire season timeframe identified in CalPA Data Request 3.1 and for fire season-specific operational procedures. Refer to Attachment Cal PA 3.3 for a copy of Operating Procedure PCC-200-T, which was in place for the 2020 fire season. (Note, however, that the procedure is typically reviewed annually, and there may be some changes for the 2021 fire season. In addition, a distribution level procedure is currently in development, and it may be adopted and implemented prior to the 2021 fire season.)

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#### CalPA Data Request 3.4

#### PacifiCorp's 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plans

Did PacifiCorp alter the settings of its reclosers in HFTD areas in 2020? If so, describe those alterations, including how those alterations were made, the locations and dates that those alterations were made, and the conditions that led PacifiCorp to make those alterations.

## Response to CalPA Data Request 3.4

Yes, over the course of the 2020 California wildfire season, PacifiCorp altered the settings of its reclosers in High Fire Threat District areas as specific conditions warranted.

Refer to Attachment CalPA 3.4 for readily available information on when reclosing was disabled between June and December 2020. Reclosing was disabled via Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition if available and manually in the field where remote control was not available. The dates and locations are identified in the attachment. PacifiCorp may alter relay settings if warranted under Operating Procedure PCC-200-T (see response to CalPA Data Request 3.3) or during a Public Safety Power Shut-off Watch event, the circumstances for which are described in Section 8.1 of PacifiCorp's 2021 Update to PacifiCorp's Wildfire Mitigation Plan.