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Lloyd J. Spivak
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Re: Case Nos. 9056 and 9064

Dear Mr. Spivak:

The Commission has reviewed the 2015 Procurement Improvement Process and 2015-2016 SOS Bid Procurement documents filed on August 17, 2015 by the Office of Staff Counsel.

After considering this matter at the September 9, 2015 Administrative Meeting the Commission noted Staff's report on the 2015 Procurement Improvement Process and approved the 2015-2016 Bid Procurement Documents which include the investor-owned utilities' proposed bid schedules, the 2015-2016 SOS Request for Proposals ("RFP") and Full Service Requirements Agreements.

In addition, the Commission directed its Technical Staff ("Staff") to file a report by October 26, 2015, through a collaborative process with the parties, including a recommendation that addresses two bid procurement issues raised by parties in filed comments: 1) the timing of bids and bid awards on the bid days, and 2) bidder eligibility requirement as it relates to credit rating/guaranty requirement terms or possible pre-bid letter of credit or cash collateral security. The Commission also requests that its SOS technical consultant, Boston Pacific Company, file by October 26, 2015, separate comments addressing these two SOS bid procurement issues. Parties wishing to file reply comments to Staff's Report or Boston Pacific's comments shall do so by November 2, 2015.

The Commission also noted that although they approved the 2015-2016 Bid Procurement Documents for the full bid cycle at the September 9, 2015 Administrative Meeting, it is their intention to review Staff's Report and comments filed by Boston Pacific Company and other parties and decide whether any adjustments to the 2015-2016 RFP are necessary for future bid procurements beyond the October, 2015 procurement within the 2015-2016 bid cycle. The Commission will schedule the matter for consideration at a future Administrative Meeting after November 2, 2015, once Staff's Report and subsequent comments are received from the parties.

By Direction of the Commission,

/s/ David J. Collins

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