## AGREEMENT Regarding the Bear River System

This Agreement is entered into this 5th day of October, 1999, by and among PACIFICORP, an Oregon corporation ("PacifiCorp"); SCOTTISH POWER plc, a public limited company registered in Scotland ("ScottishPower"); the STATE OF IDAHO, by and through the Director of the Department of Water Resources ("Idaho"); the STATE OF UTAH, by and through the Director of the Division of Water Resources, ("Utah"); and the STATE OF WYOMING, by and through the State Engineer ("Wyoming"). PacifiCorp, ScottishPower, Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming are individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties."

## RECITALS

- A. PacifiCorp operates hydroelectric plants on the Bear River and holds water rights in the Bear River and Bear Lake (such hydroelectric plants and water rights referred to herein as "Bear River System"). PacifiCorp's water rights in the Bear River System are subject to the Amended Bear River Compact among the States of Idaho, Utah and Wyoming, as well as the laws of the three States, and other obligations.
- B. PacifiCorp and ScottishPower are parties to a merger transaction that is currently the subject of approval proceedings before the public utility commissions in the States of Idaho, Utah and Wyoming.
- C. The Parties recognize the need to assure the public utility commissions of the States of Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming, and the other public officials and water users of the three States that PacifiCorp's merger with ScottishPower will not affect the operation of the Bear River System or PacifiCorp's ownership or exercise of its Bear River water rights.
- D. By this Agreement, PacifiCorp and ScottishPower intend to assure the States of Idaho, Utah and Wyoming that PacifiCorp or ScottishPower will not make any separate agreement with any State individually regarding PacifiCorp's or ScottishPower's water rights in the Bear River System.

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Both ScottishPower and PacifiCorp agree that:
  - a. PacifiCorp's water rights are constrained by the historic practice of not making a delivery call for hydropower generation; and
  - b. Bear Lake is operated, consistent with long-standing historic practice and applicable laws, primarily as a storage reservoir to satisfy

contracts for existing irrigation uses and flood control needs in the three States, with the use of water for hydropower generation being incidental to the other purposes for which the water is being released.

- 2. The Parties agree to jointly negotiate an enforceable Bear River System Operations Agreement consistent with the provisions set forth in paragraph 1. With respect to the Bear River, the Operations Agreement shall confirm and continue PacifiCorp's historic practice of utilizing its water rights primarily for existing irrigation uses and contractual obligations. The Operations Agreement shall be made available for public review and comment in each of the three States.
- 3. This Agreement, the Operations Agreement, or any other agreement that may be entered into with PacifiCorp and/or ScottishPower concerning utilization of PacifiCorp's water rights in the Bear River System may be recorded in the County Recorders' Offices of the appropriate counties and shall be provided to the public utility commissions of the respective States within 10 days of execution of the document.
- 4. Approval and execution of the Operations Agreement by each of the States of Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming shall be required for the Operations Agreement to be effective.
- 5. The Parties commit to use their best efforts to complete negotiation, review, and execution of the Bear River System Operation Agreement within sixty (60) days of the execution of this Agreement.
- 6. No agreements between PacifiCorp and/or ScottishPower and one or more of the States concerning utilization of PacifiCorp's water rights in the Bear River System shall be effective unless jointly approved by all three States.
- 7. Nothing in this Agreement, nor in any Operations Agreement, shall be interpreted to modify, limit or enhance any rights or obligations of the three States under the laws of the States and the Amended Bear River Compact.
- 8. <u>Consideration</u>. ScottishPower and PacifiCorp acknowledge receiving sufficient consideration for the commitments contained in this Agreement and waive any argument that they might have in any judicial proceeding that no consideration exists to support this Agreement or that the consideration received is not sufficient.
- 9. <u>Binding Effect of Agreement</u>. This Agreement is intended to be a final and binding settlement agreement between the three States and ScottishPower and PacifiCorp, jointly and severally, and inures to the benefit of, and is binding upon, the representatives, successors in interest, and assigns of each entity.

- 10. <u>Sovereign Immunity</u>. Each of the three States and their various agencies do not waive their sovereign immunity by entering into this Agreement and fully retain all immunities and defenses provided by law with respect to any action based on or occurring as a result of this Agreement.
- 11. <u>Capacity to Execute Agreement</u>. ScottishPowerand PacifiCorp each warrant and represent that the person executing this Agreement is empowered to do so on behalf of such company and thereby binds each entity by signing this Agreement.
- 12. <u>Waivers.</u> The failure to object to any breach of any term or condition in this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver and no failure to object shall be deemed a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach.
- 13. Entirety of Agreement. This Agreement represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations and oral agreements. No promise or inducement has been offered or made except as herein set forth and this Agreement is executed without reliance upon any statement or representation by any other Party or their agent.
- 14. <u>Modification</u>. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written agreement signed by each of the Parties to this Agreement.
- 15. Execution of Agreement in Parts. Due to time constraints, the Parties acknowledge that it is not possible to have all Parties sign the same copy of this Agreement. Therefore, the Parties agree that this Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 16. <u>Signatures</u>. In witness whereof, the Parties to this Agreement through their duly authorized representatives have executed this Agreement and certify that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as set forth herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement the day and the year first above written.

PACIFICOR

By:

DENNIS P. STEINBERG

Senior Vice President of PacifiCorp

SCOTTISH POWER plc

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

MATTHEW R. WRIGHT

Manager of Scottish Power plc

## STATE OF IDAHO

Karl J. Dreher, Director Department of Water Resources

STATE OF UTAH

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Division of Water Resources

STATE OF WYOMING

Gordon W. Fassett

State Engineer

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## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

STATE OF <u>Wyoming</u> )	
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COUNTY OF <u>Laramie</u> )	
On this 5th day of October, 1999	9, before me, Diana M. Gorman
a notary public of the State of Wyoming,	personally appeared DENNIS P. STEINBERG
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STATE OF) ss. COUNTY OF)	
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On this 5th day of October, 1999,	hatara ma Diana M. Haraman
a notary public of the State of Wyoming, p	personally appeared MATTHEW R. WRIGHT,
a Manager of Scottish Power plc, known or	identified to me to be the person who executed
the foregoing instrument on behalf of Scotti	ish Power plc, and he acknowledged to me that
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Dear Norm, Phil, Brent, and Paul:

Enclosed please find one of five originals of the Agreement Regarding the Bear River System, dated October 5, 1999, with original signatures of each of the five signatories. On behalf of the Wyoming Attorney General's Office and the State Engineer's Office, we wish to express our sincere appreciation to each person involved in negotiating this agreement for their diligent efforts. We enjoyed working with you and look forward to doing so in the future.

Truly yours,

Thomas J. Davidson

Deputy Attorney General

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Assistant Attorney General

Enclosure

cc: Jim Fell, Jody Williams, Jeff Fassett, Sue Lowry

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## PACIFICORP'S BEAR RIVER BASIN WATER RIGHTS IDAHO

# Bear Lake Storage water rights are underlined

PLACE OF USE	Bear Lake	Bear Lake	Bear Lake	Bear Lake	Bear Lake	Lifton Pump			Soda Springs Golf	Ovid Creek
TYPE OF USE	Irrigation / Power Storage / Other	Irrigation / Power Storage / Other	Irrigation / Power Storage / Other	Irrigation / Power Storage / Other	Irrigation	Domestic/ Irrigation	Irrigation	Irrigation	Irrigation	Irrigation
STATUS	Decree	Decree	Decree	Decree	Decree	Claim	Decree	Decree	Claim	Decree
PRIORITY DATE	03/01/1911	09/11/1912	09/01/1912	09/01/1912	03/01/1894	09/03/1918	05/01/1890	05/01/1902	07/08/1933	03/14/1889
AMOUNT	3000 cfs	2500 cfs	300 cts	ZUU CIS	0.5 cfs / 97.5 cfs	0.12 cfs	0.94 cfs	0.5 cfs	1.4 cfs	7.5 cfs
RIGHT NO.	11-00248	11-00249	11 00251	10700-11	11-04004	11-04355	11-00228	11-00242	11-04356	11-01096

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Ovid Creek	Ovid Creek		PLACE OF USE	Paris Hydro	Soda Hydro	Soda Hydro	Soda Hydro	Soda Hydro	Soda Hydro	Soda Hydro	Grace Hydro	Grace Hydro
Irrigation	Irrigation	pear in bold print	TYPE OF USE	Power	Power	Domestic / Irrigation	Irrigation	Power	Domestic	Power / Storage	Power	Power
Decree	Decree	HYDRO PROJECTS Bear River hydro water rights appear in bold print	STATUS	Decree	License	License	Claim	Claim	Claim	Claim	Decree	Decree
06/01/1955	06/01/1955	Bear River hy	PRIORITY DATE	02/03/1910	06/12/1922	06/09/1923	01/01/1922	01/01/1922	01/01/1922	01/01/1922	12/28/1905	07/06/1908
7.5 cfs	1.660 cfs		AMOUNT	70 cfs	1500 cfs	1 cfs	0.02 cfs	400 cfs	0.08 cfs	600 cfs	500 cfs	500 cfs
11-01114	11-01116		RIGHT NO.	11-00086	11-02081	11-02084	11-04354	11-04357	11-04358	13-04128	13-00957	13-00958

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Grace Hydro	Grace Hydro	PLACE OF USE	Grace Hydro	Grace Hydro	Oneida Hydro	Oneida Hydro	Oneida Hydro	Oneida Hydro	Oneida Hydro	Oneida Hydro	Cove Hydro	Cove Hydro	Cutler Hydro
Domestic	Irrigation	TYPE OF USE	Irrigation	Domestic / Irrigation	Domestic	Power	Power	Power	Domestic	Irrigation	Power	Power	Power
Claim	Claim	STATUS	Claim	Claim	Decree	Decree	Decree	License	Claim	Claim	Decree	Decree	Decree
06/01/1905	06/01/1905	PRIORITY DATE	05/01/1905	05/01/1905	06/01/1913	06/17/1910	01/18/1911	01/01/1910	06/17/1910	06/17/1910	03/09/1916	03/28/1916	12/01/1903
0.04 cfs	0.01 cfs	AMOUNT	0.06 cfs	0.25 cfs	0.07 cfs	1000 cfs	1500 cfs	700 cfs	0.08 cfs	0.08 cfs	1500 cfs	4000 af	270 cfs
13-04333	13-04334	RIGHT NO.	13-04335	13-04336	13-00893	13-00967	13-00968	13-04129	13-04337	13-04338	13-00962	13-00963	13-00976

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Cutler Hydro	Cutler Hydro	PLACE OF USE	Cutler Hydro	Georgetown Hydro	High Creek Hydro
Power	Power	TYPE OF USE	Power	Power Generation	Power Generation
Decree	Decree	STATUS	Decree	License	License
12/01/1906	12/01/1908	PRIORITY DATE	12/12/1912	08/09/1907	12/23/1905
135 cfs	135 cfs	AMOUNT	500 cfs	40 cfs	50 cfs
13-00977	13-00978	RIGHT NO.	13-00979	11-02018	13-02013

## PACIFICORP'S BEAR RIVER BASIN WATER RIGHTS UTAH

# Bear Lake Storage water rights are underlined

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	PLACE OF USE		Bear Lake			Bear Lake			Bear Lake		
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	STATUS		Decree		2	Decree		Dearge	Declee		
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Bear Lake	Swan Creek	Cutler Area	PLACE OF USE	Bear River	Bear River	Bear River	Bear River	Bear River	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area
Irrigation / Power	Stockwater/ Storage	Irrigation	TYPE OF USE	Irrigation / Storage	Irrigation	Irrigation	Irrigation	Irrigation	Stockwater / Irrigation	Stockwater / Irrigation	Stockwater	Stockwater / Irrigation	Stockwater
Decree	Diligence	Decree	STATUS	Application / WUC	Application / WUC	Certificate	Certificate	Application / WUC	Decree	Decree	Diligence	Decree	Diligence
09/01/1912	00/01/1910	05/01/1880	PRIORITY DATE	10/11/1955	07/26/1973	03/24/1953	12/26/1952	05/18/1960	01/01/1901	05/01/1880	05/01/1880	01/01/1880	
200 cfs	0.6 cfs	102.72 af	AMOUNT	2 cfs / 162.4 af	91.2 af	52.4 af	16 af	16 af	25 cfs / 22.35 af	25 cfs/663.54 af		25 cfs / 693.3 af	.006 cfs
	23-1844	25-9437	WATER RIGHT	25-9827	25-9828	25-9829	25-9830	25-9831	25-1844	25-1867	25-2014	25-2031	25-2739

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Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	PLACE OF USE	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Cutler Area	Spring	Spring	Cutler Area	Pump
Stockwater	Stockwater	Stockwater	TYPE OF USE	Stockwater	Stockwater	Stockwater	Stockwater	Stockwater / Irrigation	Stockwater	Irrigation / Storage	Irrigation / Storage	Stockwater / Irrigation	Irrigation
Diligence	Diligence	Diligence	STATUS	Diligence	Diligence	Diligence	Diligence	Decree	Diligence	Application /	Application / WUCS	Decree	Decree
01/01/1900	01/01/1900	01/01/1858	PRIORITY DATE	01/01/1858	01/01/1858	01/01/1958	01/01/1958	05/01/1878	01/01/1935	10/13/1965	02/16/1963	05/01/1860	05/01/1918
.002 cfs	.004 cfs		AMOUNT					0.05 cfs	.01 cfs	20 af	40 af	136.8 af	3 cfs / 160.4 af
25-2741	25-2743	25-4405	WATER	72-4400	25-4408	25-4411	25-4413	25-4688	25-4789	25-4928	25-4930	25-5883	25-6626

BR Slough	Spring	BR Project	PLACE OF USE	Cutler Area	Cutler Area		PLACE OF USE	Cutler Hydro				
Stockwater / Irrigation	Irrigation / Storage	Stockwater	TYPE OF USE	Stockwater	Stockwater	ear in bold print	TYPE OF USE	Power	Power	Power	Power	Power
Application / WUCS	Application / WUCS	Diligence	STATUS	WUC	Application	HYDRO PROJECTS Bear River hydro water rights appear in bold print	STATUS	Certificate	Decree	Decree	Decree	Decree
04/16/1976	10/31/1965	01/01/1860	PRIORITY DATE	01/01/1900	09/18/1995	Bear River hy	PRIORITY DATE	12/19/1923	12/01/1903	12/01/1906	02/01/1908	12/02/1912
.35 cfs/ 209.2 af	7.5 af		AMOUNT				AMOUNT	2500 cfs	270 cfs	135 cfs	135 cfs	500 cfs
25-6852	23-0943	25-7780	WATER	29-1953 (a21627)	25-9637		WATER RIGHT	29-1506	29-1855	29-2146	29-2147	29-2148

High Creek Hydro	Olb (11 Moor of 12 moor)
Power	
Application	
08/11/1980	
32.5 cfs	
2-8186	

### **OPERATIONS AGREEMENT**

### FOR PACIFICORP'S BEAR RIVER SYSTEM

This Agreement is made this 18th day of April., 2000 by and among Pacificorp, an Oregon Corporation, the Idaho Department of Water Resources, the Utah Division of Water Resources, and the Wyoming State Engineer's Office. Collectively, Idaho, Utah and Wyoming are referred to as the "States." Pacificorp, Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming are collectively referred to as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, the States executed the Bear River Compact in 1957, and the Amended Bear River Compact in 1978, to "remove the causes of present and future controversy over the distribution and use of the waters of Bear River; to provide for efficient use of water for multiple purposes; to permit additional development of the water resources of Bear River; to promote interstate comity; and to accomplish an equitable apportionment of the waters of Bear River among the compacting States;" and

WHEREAS, PacifiCorp owns water rights to divert and store water in Bear Lake and water rights in the Bear River as decreed in the matter of Utah Power & Light Company v. The Last Chance Canal Company, Limited, et al., in Equity No. 203, July 14, 1920 (the "Dietrich Decree"), and Utah Power & Light Company v. Richmond irrigation Company, et al., February 21, 1922 (the "Kimball Decree"), as well as other water rights in the Bear River. PacifiCorp's water rights include the exclusive right to divert and store water in and release water from Bear Lake between elevations 5923.65 ft and 5902.00 ft MSL (UP&L Datum) ("Bear Lake Storage Water"). The Idaho Water Resource Board holds a license issued by the State of Idaho establishing a minimum Bear Lake elevation of 5902.00 ft; and

WHEREAS, PacifiCorp has entered into various contracts for the use and allocation of its Bear Lake Storage Water under certain terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, PacifiCorp owns and operates six hydroelectric plants with a total capacity of 116 MW on the Bear River downstream from Eear Lake. Five of the plants are licensed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"); and

WHEREAS, FERC determined on February 12, 1998 that Bear Lake "is operated primarily to supply irrigation water to downstream users in accordance to the Bear River Compact, [and] does not provide energy generation benefits to licensed projects downstream;" and

WHEREAS, by "AGREEMENT Regarding the Bear River System" between the States, PacifiCorp. and ScottishPower dated October 5, 1999 (the "October 5, 1999 Agreement") relating to PacifiCorp's operation of Bear Lake and its hydrocleotric plants downstream from Bear Lake, the Parties agreed "PacifiCorp's water rights are constrained by the historic practice of not making a delivery call for hydropower

generation;" and "Bear Lake is operated, consistent with long-standing historic practice and applicable laws, primarily as a storage reservoir to satisfy contracts for existing irrigation uses and flood control needs in the three States, with the use of water for hydropower generation being incidental to the other purposes for which the water is being released;" and

WHEREAS, the October 5, 1999 Agreement anticipated the Parties would enter into a subsequent agreement further describing PacifiCorp's operations, and the Parties have negotiated this Agreement in satisfaction of the October 5, 1999 Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, for the mutual promises of the Parties, and for other good and valuable consideration, the Parties agree as follows:

## 1. Purpose of this Agreement.

- A. The purpose of this Agreement is to satisfy the requirements of Paragraph 2 of the October 5, 1999 Agreement committing the parties to negotiate an enforceable Bear River System Operations Agreement that shall confirm and continue PacifiCorp's historic practice of utilizing its water rights primarily for existing irrigation uses and contractual obligations.
- B. The Parties agree that Paragraph 1.a. of the October 5, 1999 Agreement describes PacifiCorp's use of its water rights in Bear River for hydropower generation. Further agreement on PacifiCorp's use of its water rights for hydropower generation is not described herein, and the scope of this Bear River Systems Operations Agreement is limited to PacifiCorp's operations at Bear Lake.
- C. The Parties recognize that PacifiCorp's operations at Bear Lake and at its downstream hydroelectric power plants on Bear River are separate operations and are not related, other than water released from Bear Lake is used for hydropower generation incidental to the other purposes for which water is released.
- D. The Parties do not intend by this Agreement to confirm or agree that any specific water management practice of PacifiCorp described, referred to, or implied in this Agreement, other than the limitations set forth in the October 5, 1999 Agreement, shall constitute a constraint or limitation on PacifiCorp's use of its water rights. PacifiCorp will consult with the States if it sees the need to deviate from the operation and practices outlined in this Agreement.

- E. The Parties do not intend by this Agreement to set forth a detailed plan for day-to-day operations of Bear Lake, but rather to establish the framework within which PacifiCorp will develop and implement such a plan. Such plan will conform to the terms of this Agreement and the October 5, 1999 Agreement.
- F. The Parties recognize that persons not party to this agreement have varying interests in the manner in which Bear Lake is managed and operated. This Agreement is not intended as a formal recognition or confirmation of the interests of persons not party to this Agreement.
- G. The Parties agree that if any of the terms of this Agreement are found to be inconsistent with the terms of the October 5, 1999 Agreement, the October 5, 1999 Agreement is controlling.

## 2. PacifiCorp's Regulation of Bear Lake.

- A. PacifiCorp agrees to continue to operate Bear Lake primarily for Bear Lake Storage Water delivery under its contracts, or for flood control, depending on the level of Bear Lake, the forecasted runoff, general water supply conditions, constraints of its contracts, its assessment of the hydrology and other conditions in the Bear River basin. Hydropower generation at its downstream hydroelectric plants shall continue to be an incidental use of Bear Lake Storage Water released primarily for contract deliveries or flood control.
- B. PacifiCorp will not execute new Bear Lake Storage Water contracts which would result in delivery of a greater amount of Bear Lake Storage Water than the amount historically used. The extent of historical use is currently documented by interstate accounting models used by Idaho and Utah. Nothing herein will prevent the States, by agreement, from updating said models or adopting a different technical basis for determining historical use.
- C. PacifiCorp's Bear Lake Target Elevation (the "PTE"). PacifiCorp has determined the PTE represents the elevation of Bear Lake to be achieved, if possible, on March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. The PTE may range from as low as elevation 5916 ft during projected high runoff conditions to elevation 5920 ft during projected low runoff conditions. Under normal conditions, PacifiCorp sets the PTE at 5918 ft. PacifiCorp has established the PTE to best balance long term contract requirements for Bear Lake Storage Water during sustained drought periods with flood control operation during high runoff periods. Although this increase above the Bear River Compact Irrigation Reserve results in additional lost generation at the downstream hydroelectric plants during high runoff periods, it provides on average an additional 225,000 acre feet of Bear Lake Storage Water for contract deliveries in excess of the Bear River Compact Irrigation Reserve, enhanced recreational and aesthetic opportunities at Bear Lake, and maintenance of wildlife values, while still maintaining flood control capabilities.

- i. Generally. PacifiCorp sets the PTE at the end of the irrigation season and updates the PTE each month during the period from the end of the irrigation season to March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. During extreme high runoff years, PacifiCorp may set the PTE as early as August 1<sup>st</sup> and may continue to update it into the following runoff season. Adjustments to the PTE are made to accommodate changing conditions, including weather forecasts, downstream constraints, uncertain irrigation demands, variations in runoff from month to month, and other operational constraints.
- ii. Generally, if Bear Lake elevation is 5918 ft or higher at the end of the irrigation season, releases are scheduled to lower Bear Lake to elevation 5918 ft by March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year. Conversely, if Bear Lake is below elevation 5918 ft at the end of the irrigation season, releases are curtailed until such time as the lake is predicted to reach elevation 5918 ft or until such time as high snowpack and runoff forecasts during the following winter months require PacifiCorp to make releases for flood control. At times during the period from the end of the irrigation season to March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year, if snowpack and runoff forecasts indicate below average runoff, releases may be curtailed for the entire winter, even if the Bear Lake elevation is higher than 5918 ft. Except in emergencies, PacifiCorp will not release water from Bear Lake when the elevation is below the PTE unless consistent with flood control operation.
- iii. Setting and adjusting the PTE is consistent with PacifiCorp's operation of Bear Lake since the early 1970s. In addition, the practice is consistent with PacifiCorp's FERC applications to relicense its Bear River hydroelectric facilities submitted to FERC on September 23, 1999. The FERC applications commit to continuation of historical operation. Refer to PacifiCorp's FERC applications for Soda (FERC #20) at FERC Application Exhibit B1-11 (September 1999), Grace/Cove (FERC #2401) at FERC Application Exhibit B1-14 (September 1999) and Oneida (FERC #472) at FERC Application Exhibit B1-13 (September 1999). The FERC applications do not provide for the release of Bear Lake storage water for hydro generation. From time to time, the elevation of Bear Lake may range from elevation 5902.00 ft to elevation 5923.65 ft. Nothing herein shall restrict PacifiCorp's right to store water in Bear Lake to elevation 5923.65 ft.

## 3. PacifiCorp's Hydroelectric Operations on Bear River

A. PacifiCorp owns and operates 6 hydroelectric plants on the Bear River downstream from Bear Lake which are listed in the table below.

Hydroelectric Project	FERC No.	Current Licensed Capacity
Soda	20	14.0 MW
Last Chance	4580	1.4 MW*
Grace	2401	33.0 MW
Cove	2401	7.5 MW
Oneida	472	30.0 MW
Cutler	2420	30.0 MW

(\*FERC License Exemption)

PacifiCorp operates each hydroelectric plant with water rights granted by the state in which the hydroelectric plant is located. The Cutler hydroelectric plant operates with water rights recognized by both Utah and Idaho.

- B. PacifiCorp agrees to continue its historic practice of regulating operation at its hydroelectric plants to meet existing downstream demands, some of which have water rights which are earlier in priority than PacifiCorp's hydro power water rights. Such historic operation is consistent with PacifiCorp's FERC licenses.
- C. Nothing in this Agreement or the October 5, 1999 Agreement shall be interpreted as limiting PacifiCorp's right or ability to protest water right applications or filings in the Bear River Basin or from otherwise exercising and defending its water rights.
- 4. PacifiCorp regulates Bear Lake and operates its Bear River hydroelectric plants subject to various institutional, legal, and operational guidelines. The Parties recognize that said institutional guidelines may change due to conditions beyond the control of one or more of the Parties, and that such change may require adjustments in PacifiCorp's operations. If this occurs, PacifiCorp will advise the States and consult with them prior to changing its operations.
- 5. This Agreement is made in recognition of the existing rights and practices of the Parties.

- 6. This Agreement is intended to be a final and binding agreement in satisfaction of the commitment to negotiate a Bear River System Operations Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 2 of the October 5, 1999 Agreement between the States and PacifiCorp and inures to the benefit of, and is binding upon, the representatives, successors in interest, and assigns of each entity. No promise or inducement has been offered or made except as herein set forth, and this Agreement is executed without reliance upon any statement or representation by any other Party or its agent.
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- 8. <u>Consideration.</u> The Parties acknowledge receiving sufficient consideration for the commitments contained in this Agreement and waive any argument that they might have in any judicial proceeding that no consideration exists to support this Agreement or that the consideration received is not sufficient.
- 9. <u>Binding Effect of Agreement.</u> This Agreement is intended to be a final and binding agreement between the States and PacifiCorp and inures to the benefit of, and is binding upon, the representatives, successors in interest, and assigns of each entity.
- 10. <u>Sovereign Immunity.</u> Each of the States and their various agencies do not waive their sovereign immunity by entering into this Agreement and fully retain all immunities and defenses provided by law with respect to any action based on or occurring as a result of this Agreement.
- 11. <u>Capacity to Execute Agreement.</u> The Parties warrant and represent that the person executing this Agreement is empowered to do so on behalf of such Party and thereby binds each entity by signing this Agreement.
- 12. <u>Waivers.</u> The failure to object to any breach of any term or condition in this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver and no failure to object shall be deemed a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach.
- 13. <u>Modification.</u> This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written agreement signed by each of the Parties to this Agreement.

- Execution of Multiple Originals. 14. The Parties agree Agreement may be executed in four counterparts, each of which shall be an original.
- In witness whereof, the Parties to this Agreement through 15. Signatures. their duly authorized representatives have executed this Agreement and certify that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as set forth herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement is executed on the date first above written.

**PACIFICORP** 

STATE OF IDAHO

Bv:

Karl J. Dreher, Director

Department of Water Resources

STATE OF WYOMING

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Gordon W. Fassett

State Engineer

STATE OF UTAH

Division of Water Resources

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

STATE OF Utah	
COUNTY OF <u>Salt Lake</u> ) ss.	
On the 5th day of April , 2000, before to a notary public, personally appeared Rasks G. Cunning has of PacifiCorp, known or identified to me to be the person who instrument on behalf of PacifiCorp, and he acknowledged to me same.  NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF U.S. Samueles Civ.  NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF U.S. Samueles Civ.  NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF U.S. Samueles Civ.	executed the foregoing
STATE OF <u>Utak</u> ) ss. COUNTY OF <u>Salt Lake</u>	
On the 18th day of April, 2000, before rea notary public, personally appeared Karl J. Dreher, Director, Idal Resources, known or identified to me to be the person who instrument on behalf of the State of Idaho, and he acknowledged the same.	ho Department of Water executed the foregoing
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