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Idaho Public Utilities Commission
472 West Washington
Boise, Idaho 83702-5983

Attn: Ms. Jean D. Jewell
Commission Secretary

Re: Quarterly Debt Report

Pursuant to Case No. PAC-E-05-5, PacifiCorp (the Company) hereby files an original and eight copies of its debt report for the period ended December 31, 2005 as well as recent write-ups from major bond rating agencies.

Long-Term Debt Activity:

Amount outstanding at September 30, 2005 \$4,029,158,000

Issuances

None

Maturities

8.271% FMBs due Oct 2010 Installment	(3,195,000)
7.978% FMBs due Oct 2011 Installment	(259,000)
8.493% FMBs due Oct 2012 Installment	(1,055,000)
8.797% FMBs due Oct 2013 Installment	(782,000)
8.734% FMBs due Oct 2014 Installment	(1,235,000)
8.294% FMBs due Oct 2015 Installment	(1,881,000)
8.635% FMBs due Oct 2016 Installment	(678,000)
8.470% FMBs due Oct 2017 Installment	(649,000)
7.340% Series E MTNs due Oct 2005	(5,000,000)
7.360% Series E MTNs due Oct 2005	(5,000,000)

Amount outstanding at December 31, 2005

\$4,009,424,000

Long-Term Debt Authorization:

Amount authorized May 17, 2005 by Order No. 29787 \$1,000,000,000

Issuances

June 13, 2005 issuance of 5.250% FMBs due June 2035 (300,000,000)

Remaining authorization at December 31, 2005 \$700,000,000

If you have any questions regarding this summary, please call me at (503) 813-6856.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

Global Power/U.S. and
Canada
Credit Analysis

PacifiCorp
Subsidiary of Scottish Power plc

Ratings

Security Class	Current Rating	Previous Rating	Date Changed
IDR	BBB	NR	1/31/06
Sr Sec.	A-	A	1/31/06
Sr. Unsec.	BBB+	A-	1/31/06
Preferred Stock	BBB	BBB+	1/31/06

NR - Not rated. IDR - Issuer default rating.

Rating Watch.....None
Rating Outlook.....Stable

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Profile

PPW, an operating utility subsidiary of its indirect parent SP, provides integrated electric service to 1.6 million retail customers in parts of six western states: Utah, Oregon, Wyoming, Washington, Idaho and California.

Related Research

Credit Update: April 14, 2005.
Credit Analysis: Oct. 18, 2004.

Key Credit Strengths

- Solid operating cash flow and financial position.
- Improved regulatory environment.
- Relatively low cost energy resource base.

Key Credit Concerns

- Ongoing negative free cash flow due to high capital expenditure requirements.
- Growing reliance on natural gas-fired generation.
- Adverse Oregon tax ruling in GRC may signal deterioration in the state's regulatory climate.

Rating Rationale

PacifiCorp's (PPW) ratings were reduced by Fitch on Jan. 31, 2006. The lower ratings and Stable Rating Outlook better reflect the company's operating cash flow and debt leverage measures, large capital spending program and business risk profile. The ratings and stable outlook consider PPW's projected above-industry-average service territory growth, primarily in its Eastern service territory; significant planned investment in new plant and infrastructure to meet its load requirements, estimated to approximate \$1 billion annually over the next five years; and growing exposure to natural gas-fired generating capacity. The ratings and stable outlook assume reasonable regulatory outcomes in pending and future rate proceedings, while noting the adverse September 2005 final order issued in PPW's Oregon general rate case (GRC) and pending rehearing. Fitch also assumes the completion of the planned \$285 million equity infusion, net of dividends, from PPW's direct parent, PacifiCorp Holdings, Inc. (PHI), during fiscal 2006 of which a net amount of about \$215 million has already been made.

PPW is a direct subsidiary of PHI, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Scottish Power plc (SP, senior unsecured debt rated 'BBB+'). SP intends to divest PPW and has entered into an agreement to sell the utility to MidAmerican Energy Holdings (MEHC; rated 'BBB'). The agreed-upon transaction, announced May 2005, has received regulatory approvals in all six states in PPW's service territory and appears to be on track to close by the end of March 2006. Fitch views the change in ownership as a stabilizing credit factor for PPW.

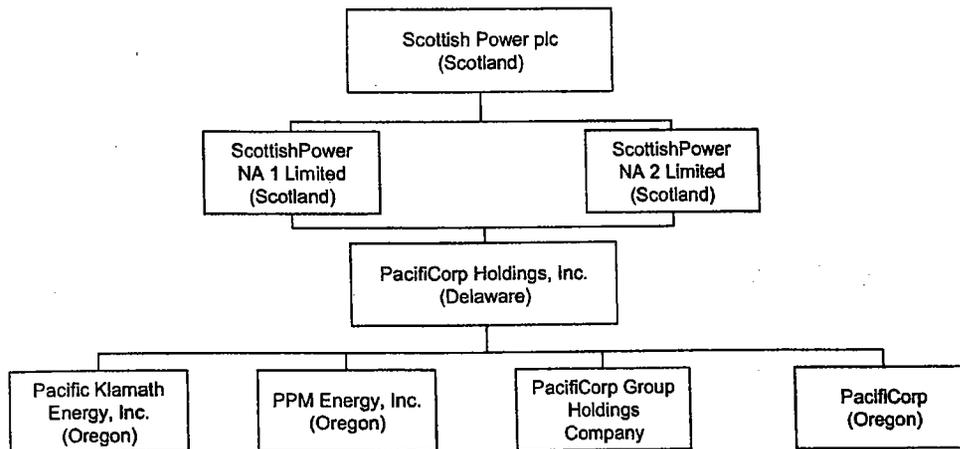
The primary credit concern is potential unsupportive regulatory actions, especially in light of the company's large construction budget and low earned returns. In addition, the utility's growing reliance on gas-fired generation and exposure to high commodity costs in the event of a prolonged, unscheduled base-load plant outage during a period of high demand is a source of concern for PPW fixed-income investors.

Recent Developments

With the recent issuance of a written order by Wyoming regulators approving the proposed acquisition of PPW by MEHC, all state regulators in PPW's six-state service territory have approved the transaction. Following negotiation of terms under the most favored state provision of the proposed acquisition, Fitch expects the merger to close by the end of March 2006.

March 7, 2006

Scottish Power PCL — PacifiCorp Holdings Inc. Corporate Organization
(Jurisdiction of Organization)



Source: Company reports.

In a negative development, the Oregon Public Utilities Commission (OPUC) issued a final order incorporating the effects of Senate Bill (S.B.) 408 and reducing the authorized revenue increase to approximately \$26 million from the \$52 million stipulated in settlement agreements reached with intervenor groups in its GRC. The OPUC has agreed to rehear the application of S.B. 408 in the GRC and a decision in the proceeding is expected around mid-2006.

■ **Liquidity and Debt Structure**

At Dec. 31 2005, PPW had \$164 million of cash on its balance sheet and no borrowings under the utility's recently renegotiated \$800 million committed revolving credit facility. The new credit facility extended the maturity date to August 2010 from May 2007, while increasing the maximum debt-to-total capital covenant to 65% from 60%. Notes payable and commercial paper (CP) issued were \$215 million and current maturities \$315 million. At Dec. 31, 2005, total PPW debt was approximately \$4.3 billion and PPW's debt-to-capitalization ratio was 53.1%.

■ **Growth and Capital Expenditures**

PPW's retail sales growth is expected to approximate 2.2%–3.5% annually over the coming five years. PPW's eastern region (composed of Utah, Wyoming and Idaho) is expected to grow at a faster rate, driven

by continued economic expansion in the Wasatch Front region of Utah and oil and gas expansion in Wyoming, while growth in the company's western region (composed of Oregon, Washington and California) is expected to be more sluggish. PacifiCorp plans to invest approximately \$1 billion annually in utility plant during fiscal 2006–2010, representing more than 34% of gross utility plant, which approximated \$14.8 billion at the end of PPW's fiscal third quarter (i.e., December 2005).

The financial impact of PacifiCorp's large capital investment program will depend on its ability to avoid cost overruns and fully recover its investment through increased base rates and customer growth. The anticipated capital infusion of slightly less than \$300 million net of dividends (of approximately \$200 million) in fiscal 2006 from PHI and reasonable prospective rate treatment should support the company's credit metrics, which are in line for the current rating category. Conversely, negative regulatory decisions would likely result in continued under-earnings and bring pressure to bear on the company's credit metrics. Fitch expects PPW to remain active on the regulatory front, as it has been in recent years, to recover its considerable planned investment in new utility plant in its six-state service territory. PPW recently filed a GRC in Oregon requesting a \$112 million (13%) rate increase based on an 11.5% authorized return on equity and is expected to file a GRC in the near future in Utah.

Summary of Pending PPW Rate Proceedings

(\$ Mil.)

Filing Date	Jurisdiction	Amount Requested	Requested Increase %	Requested ROE (%)	Expected Date Of Final Order	Comment
Feb. 2006	Oregon	112	13.2	11.50	4Q06	PPW requested a December 2006 implementation date.
Nov. 2005	California	11	15.6	11.80	Dec. 2006	PPW requested a Jan. 1, 2007, implementation date.
May 2005	Washington	33	14.9	11.13	Apr. 2006	New rates expected to be effective in April 2006.

ROE – Return on equity. PCAM – Power cost adjustment mechanism. Note: PPW has filed to implement PCAMs in California, Utah, Washington and Oregon. Sources: Fitch Ratings, Regulatory Research Associates and company reports.

Fitch believes the completion of the proposed acquisition of PPW by MEHC would be a constructive credit development, as the prospective acquirer is expected to allow PPW to retain its earnings to support capital expenditures in the foreseeable future. All else equal, Fitch believes greater retention of earnings and cash at PPW would reduce the need to access external sources of capital to fund its capital program, ultimately resulting in credit metrics more supportive of the current rating category.

■ Power Procurement Issues

PacifiCorp has long operated with a net-short generation position, relying on short- and long-term wholesale power purchases to close the gap between its in-house capacity and peak retail load. PPW's 2005 reserve margin was a negative 16%, based on its instantaneous retail peak demand of 9,527 megawatts and its in-house net-generating capacity of 7,981 megawatts. In 2005, PPW relied on short- and long-term purchase power arrangements to meet approximately 21% of its energy requirements.

■ Growing Exposure to Natural Gas

While a large majority of the utility's generating capacity mix is coal-fired, incremental load growth, in the near-to-intermediate term, is expected to be met primarily by natural gas fueled and, to a lesser degree, renewable resources. In the longer term, construction of a coal-fired plant in concert with other regional generating companies is possible. PPW is fully hedged through the end of 2007, including supply for its planned combined cycle generating capacity; however, it remains vulnerable to unplanned generation plant outages of significant duration during periods of high power prices. PPW has filed requests with regulators in Oregon, Utah, California and Washington, and recently received approval from Wyoming regulators, to implement fuel and purchase power cost adjustment mechanisms designed to reduce commodity cost risk.

■ Currant Creek and Lake Side Update

The construction and commercial operation of the 525-megawatt Currant Creek and 534-megawatt Lake

Side combined cycle natural gas-fired power projects are scheduled for the summer 2005–2007 period. Currant Creek achieved simple cycle operation in summer 2005 and is expected to enter combined cycle operation by summer 2006. The Lake Side combined cycle unit is expected to begin commercial operation by summer 2007. Total capital expenditures to construct the Currant Creek and Lake Side generating facilities are estimated to approximate \$700 million.

■ Regulatory Developments

Oregon

In September 2005, the OPUC issued a final order in PPW's GRC authorizing a \$25.9 million revenue increase based on a 10% authorized return on equity (ROE). The utility filed the rate case in November 2004 requesting a \$102 million (12.5%) increase in revenue based on an 11.1% requested ROE.

S.B. 408 Impact on Oregon GRC

PPW entered into GRC settlement agreements with interveners in 2005 supporting an approximately \$52 million revenue increase. However, the OPUC included in its final order a \$26.6 million revenue requirement reduction based on the provisions of S.B. 408, which was enacted in Oregon in early September 2005. S.B. 408 requires the OPUC to adjust rates to reflect taxes actually paid to a government agency. The legislation requires that actual taxes paid be compared to amounts reflected in rates. If taxes collected by a utility are greater than amounts actually paid by its corporate parent, due to tax reductions from non-jurisdictional affiliates, the amount collected above the amount paid to a government entity would be refunded to rate payers.

On Oct. 28, 2005, PPW filed a petition with the OPUC requesting rehearing of the revenue reduction associated with implementation of S.B. 408 in its September 2005 GRC order, which was granted by the commission in December 2005. The rehearing will consider if the revenue reduction resulting from

Summary of Major Rate General Rate Case Orders Since January 2004

(\$ Mil.)

Jurisdiction	Amount Approved	Increase (%)	Auth. ROE	Effective Date
Wyoming	25	6.9	N.A.	March/July 2006
Oregon*	26	3.2	10.00	Oct. 2005
Idaho	6	4.8	N.A.	Sep. 2005
Utah	51	4.4	10.50	Mar. 2005
Washington	15	7.5	N.A.	Nov. 2004
Utah	65	7.0	10.70	Apr. 2004
Wyoming	23	7.2	10.75	Mar. 2004

*Reconsideration in process. ROE - Return on equity. N.A. - Not applicable. Auth. - Authorized. Sources: Fitch Ratings, Regulatory Research Associates and company reports.

application of S.B. 408 violates Oregon's constitution. The OPUC will also review whether the recent legislation should be applied to the rate case and, if so, how it should be implemented. In its filing, PPW asserts that even if the statute is applicable, the revenue reduction should be lowered to slightly less than \$3 million to correct a calculation error in the OPUC's final order. Hearings in the proceeding are expected to begin in mid-to-late April 2006 and a final order is expected in June 2006.

Utah

PPW's last GRC, approved February 2005, authorized a \$51 million revenue increase effective March 2005. Separately, the Utah Committee for Consumer Services (UCCS), a state consumer advocate group, filed a request with the public service commission to return at least \$50 million of taxes collected from Utah rate payers that were allegedly improperly retained by PHI. PacifiCorp disagrees with and intends to oppose the claims made by the UCCS. A procedural schedule to hear the matter has not been established.

Washington

PPW supports a general rate increase of \$32.6 million in its Washington filing or a 15% rate hike. The filing also requests implementation of a power cost adjustment mechanism (PCAM). A final order is expected by April 2006.

California

In November 2005, PPW filed a GRC with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) requesting an \$11 million rate hike or approximately a 16% increase, including a request to implement a PCAM. A final order is expected in December 2006.

Outlook Rationale

The Stable Rating Outlook assumes balanced regulatory outcomes in response to pending and prospective rate filings. The recent Oregon commission ruling in PPW's GRC is a significant source of concern, in Fitch's view. Fitch views the proposed sale of PPW to MEHC as a potentially stabilizing credit factor.

What Could Lead to Positive Rating Action?

- Greater than anticipated relative debt reduction.
- Constructive prospective regulatory outcomes.

What Could Lead to Negative Rating Action?

- Adverse regulatory developments, especially in light of the company's large cap-ex program.
- A major, extended generating plant outage.
- Failure to complete the proposed sale of PPW to MEHC.

Other Jurisdictions

In addition to the \$51 million Utah rate increase granted by the Utah Public Service Commission (PSC) and the \$26 million revenue hike granted by the OPUC in 2005, regulators in Idaho approved a settlement agreement authorizing a \$5.8 million or a 4.8% base rate increase effective June 2005. In Wyoming, PPW was recently granted a \$25 million rate increase by regulators, \$15 million of which is to be effective March 1, 2006, and the remaining \$10 million July 1, 2006. Importantly, the Wyoming PSC also approved implementation of a PCAM. PPW has requested PCAMs in California, Washington and Oregon and filed with Utah regulators to implement a PCAM following the conclusion of its anticipated 2006 Utah GRC.

■ Proposed Acquisition

The proposed sale of PPW by SP to MEHC appears to be on track to close near the end of the first quarter of 2006. The \$9.4 billion transaction includes the assumption of \$4.3 billion of net debt and preferred stock and was announced May 24, 2005. The prospective acquisition has received clearance under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act and the approval of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the

Nuclear Regulatory Commission. All necessary state approvals have been obtained and the agreed acquisition appears on track to close by the end of March 2006.

Fitch views the ownership change as a stabilizing factor for PPW's credit profile. Conversely, an unexpected failure to complete the pending transaction would result in significant uncertainty as to the future ownership of PPW, which in Fitch's view would be a negative credit development.

■ **Hydro Conditions**

PPW's hydroelectric generation was 84% of normal for the nine months ended Dec. 31, 2005, compared to a 30-year average; nonetheless, output rose 9% in 2005 as hydro conditions improved compared to the nine months ended Dec. 31, 2004. While we are only about halfway through the key snowpack season in the Pacific Northwest, it appears water flows may return to normal levels, driven by significant snow accumulation and above-average recent precipitation trends, especially in January 2006, following several years of drought conditions.

Financial Summary — PacifiCorp

(\$ Mil.)

	LTM Ended		3/31/05	3/31/04	3/31/03
	12/31/05	12/31/04			
Fundamental Ratios (x)					
FFO/Interest Expense	3.4	4.3	4.1	4.3	3.8
CFO/Interest Expense	4.2	3.6	3.7	4.2	3.5
Debt/FFO	6.2	4.7	5.3	4.6	5.2
Operating EBIT/Interest Expense	2.5	2.1	2.5	2.4	1.8
Operating EBITDA/Interest Expense	4.0	3.7	4.1	4.1	3.4
Debt/Operating EBITDA	3.7	4.1	4.0	3.8	4.2
Common Dividend Payout (%)	69.1	80.2	77.4	65.6	0.0
Internal Cash/Capital Expenditures (%)	69.8	72.0	60.6	96.6	122.6
Capital Expenditures/Depreciation (%)	230.6	170.4	194.9	161.0	126.6
Profitability					
Revenues	3,290	3,202	3,049	3,195	3,082
Net Revenues	2,234	2,056	2,101	2,038	1,902
Operating and Maintenance Expense	964	950	913	896	885
Operating EBITDA	1,173	1,026	1,093	1,047	923
Depreciation and Amortization Expense	446	437	437	429	434
Operating EBIT	728	589	656	618	489
Interest Expense	291	275	267	257	270
Net Income for Common	299	228	250	245	133
Oper. Maint. Exp. % of Net Revenues	43.2	46.2	43.5	44.0	46.5
Operating EBIT % of Net Revenues	32.6	28.6	31.2	30.3	25.7
Cash Flow					
Cash Flow from Operations	926	724	711	832	682
Change in Working Capital	230	(174)	(129)	(25)	(74)
Funds from Operations	697	898	840	857	755
Dividends	(209)	(187)	(195)	(165)	(7)
Capital Expenditures	(1028)	(746)	(852)	(690)	(550)
Free Cash Flow	(311)	(209)	(336)	(24)	124
Net Other Investment Cash Flow	32	(1395)	5	(1394)	25
Net Change in Debt	49	170	479	303	(297)
Net Change in Equity	368	(8)	(8)	(360)	143
Capital Structure					
Short-Term Debt	529	481	742	369	162
Long-Term Debt	3,771	3,762	3,678	3,577	3,759
Total Debt	4,300	4,243	4,420	3,945	3,921
Preferred and Minority Equity	41	41	41	41	108
Common Equity	3,764	3,297	3,336	3,279	3,195
Total Capital	8,105	7,582	7,797	7,265	7,224
Total Debt/Total Capital (%)	53.1	56.0	56.7	54.3	54.3
Preferred and Minority Eq./Total Capital (%)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.5
Common Equity/Total Capital (%)	46.4	43.5	42.8	45.1	44.2

Note: Numbers may not add due to rounding. Numbers are adjusted for interest and principal payments on transition property securitization certificates. Long term debt includes trust preferred securities. LTM – Latest 12 months. Operating EBIT – Operating income plus total reported state and federal income tax expense. Operating EBITDA – Operating income plus total reported state and federal income tax expense plus depreciation and amortization expense. FFO – Funds from operations. CFO – Cash flow from operations. O&M – Operations and maintenance. Source: Financial data obtained from SNL Energy Information System, provided under license by SNL Financial, LC of Charlottesville, Va.

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Research Update: MidAmerican Upgraded To 'A-', PacifiCorp Ratings Affirmed; All Ratings Off Watch

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Credit Rating: A-/Stable/-

Rationale

On March 6, 2006, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services raised its corporate credit rating on diversified energy company MidAmerican Energy Holdings Co. (MEHC) to 'A-' from 'BBB-'. At the same time, Standard & Poor's raised its rating on MEHC's senior unsecured notes to 'BBB+' from 'BBB-' and its rating on MEHC's CalEnergy Trust preferred stock to 'BBB-' from 'BB'. Standard & Poor's removed all the ratings from CreditWatch with positive implications.

Furthermore, Standard & Poor's affirmed its 'A-' corporate credit rating on PacifiCorp and removed the rating from CreditWatch with negative implications. All the ratings on PacifiCorp's debt were also affirmed and removed from CreditWatch with negative implications.

The outlook is stable.

Des Moines, Iowa-based MEHC is acquiring PacifiCorp from Scottish Power Plc. The upgrade of MEHC and ratings affirmation for PacifiCorp reflect the impending close of the acquisition. MEHC has received the necessary approvals from all six state regulators to acquire PacifiCorp, and the company expects the transaction to be completed later this month.

The ratings on MEHC and PacifiCorp were originally placed on CreditWatch on May 25, 2005, when the acquisition was announced.

MEHC is expected to purchase the equity in PacifiCorp from ScottishPower Plc for approximately \$5.1 billion in cash. PacifiCorp's debt and preferred securities of \$4.3 billion will remain outstanding. PacifiCorp is expected to account for about 35% of MEHC's operating income.

Following the acquisition of PacifiCorp, MEHC will have about \$16.2 billion of consolidated debt and \$1.6 billion of trust-preferred securities outstanding at the holding company level.

The ratings on MEHC and PacifiCorp reflect the consolidated company's creditworthiness and incorporate its strong business risk position, fairly aggressive financial profile, and both explicit and implicit support from MEHC's parent, Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (AAA/Stable/A-1+). Absent this support, MEHC's business and financial risk would support a rating in the 'BBB' category. The ratings on MEHC's parent-level debt consider the ring-fenced structure of MEHC's subsidiaries and MEHC's ability to meet its parent-level financial obligations from dividend distributions from its portfolio of energy assets.

The upgrade reflects Standard & Poor's acknowledgement of Berkshire Hathaway's greater support of MEHC, provided by a \$3.5 billion equity commitment agreement, which in our view would be called upon, if necessary, to support the rating on MEHC. The upgrade also reflects Berkshire Hathaway's increase in voting interest to 88% from 9.9%, due to a combination of its conversion of non-voting interest to voting interest upon the repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act last month and

its equity contribution to MEHC for the PacifiCorp acquisition. Comfort is also provided by public statements by Berkshire Hathaway regarding its strategic focus on the regulated side of the utility business.

Furthermore, the higher rating on MEHC reflects its steadily improving credit metrics. In recent years, MEHC's consolidated credit metrics have improved due to the acquisitions of two large pipeline assets. Funds from operations (FFO) to interest has improved to 3.1x for 2004 from 2.3x for 2002, while over the same time period FFO to debt improved to about 12.9% from about 9.3%. Credit metrics should continue to improve following the acquisition of PacifiCorp, as MEHC deleverages that entity through the reinvestment of operating cash flow.

Finally, the upgrade reflects MEHC's declining business risk as it has incorporated more stable regulated businesses and diversified regionally within the U.S. We have revised MEHC's business risk profile score to '4' (strong) from '5' (satisfactory). Business profiles are categorized from '1' (excellent) to '10' (vulnerable). The revision follows a thorough review of the company's business risk, taking into account the substantially smaller concentration in unregulated ventures (less than 10% of operating income going forward) and the substantial regional diversification following the PacifiCorp acquisition. The increased regional diversification will benefit the company on a consolidated basis due to the greater diversification of regulatory, operating, and economic risk factors. The lower business risk profile score also reflects our expectation that MEHC's future acquisitions will be in the regulated utility segment and not in unregulated or commodity-exposed businesses, a concern that we had previously factored into MEHC's business risk profile score.

As part of agreements reached by MEHC, PacifiCorp, and the regulators in each of the states served by PacifiCorp, MEHC is expected to ring fence PacifiCorp from MEHC. The ring-fencing serves to insulate PacifiCorp in the event that MEHC's consolidated creditworthiness deteriorates due to other businesses in the MEHC family. PacifiCorp will not pay dividends to MEHC from its cash flow unless it maintains a 48.25% common equity layer through 2008, gradually falling to 44% in 2012.

MEHC's acquisition of PacifiCorp reflects a strategic decision to continue to acquire regulated utilities that can benefit from MEHC's established record of enhancing operational and financial performance through a mixture of improved regulatory relationships, cost reductions, and the funding of investment with the use of equity sufficient to maintain roughly a 50-50 capital structure. Acquired by Scottish Power in 1999, PacifiCorp has struggled to generate cash flows commensurate with performance seen before the western energy crisis in 2001, when the utility's purchased power requirements led to large deferrals. FFO levels have only stabilized in the last two fiscal years (ending March 31), and the utility's financial performance has fallen short of Scottish Power's forecasts. Adjusted FFO to total debt over the past three years has ranged from 17%-18%, factoring in PacifiCorp's off-balance-sheet obligations, which reflect sizable power purchases. Adjusted FFO interest coverage has been around 3.5x over the same period. Similar metrics are expected for PacifiCorp's fiscal 2006.

PacifiCorp's future challenges include a \$6.4 billion capital program over the next five years, its ongoing inability to earn its authorized rate of return, and pending and expected rate cases in the company's two largest markets, Utah and Oregon, where the company is seeking significant retail rate increases. In addition, the acquisition of PacifiCorp will result in MEHC, through PacifiCorp and MidAmerican Energy Co. (A-/Stable/A-1), having nine state regulators, which will present logistical and performance challenges that are unique.

The rating reflects the expectation that PacifiCorp's credit metrics will improve, MEHC will fund its substantial near-term capital needs primarily with equity, and the company will achieve stronger returns on the newly invested capital. The rating also reflects the expectation of reasonable regulatory outcomes in the general rate cases, although the application of SB408 in Oregon is an ongoing concern.

Standard & Poor's continues to expect stable performances from MEHC's regulated U.S. assets. The pipelines, Kern River Gas Transmission Co.

(A-/Watch Neg/--) and Northern Natural Gas Co. (A-/Watch Pos/--), and electric utility MidAmerican Energy continue to support holding-company debt and offset lower returns from the company's U.K. investments in CE Electric U.K. Funding Co. (BBB-/Stable/A-3). Unregulated ventures continue to perform well for the most part, but will be fairly insignificant following the PacifiCorp acquisition.

Short-term credit factors

MEHC's relationship to Berkshire Hathaway and its \$3.5 billion equity commitment agreement provide it with substantial liquidity. In addition, each subsidiary maintains liquidity for its own needs. At the parent level, MEHC has adequate liquidity and access to capital to meet ongoing financial obligations. MEHC maintains \$400 million revolving, unsecured credit facilities to support liquidity needs and LOCs. As of Sept. 30, 2005, its borrowings totaled \$55 million, and an additional \$49.5 million of capacity was taken with LOCs. The revolver matures in August 2010. Total unrestricted cash at the parent and subsidiaries was \$594.8 million as of Sept. 30, 2005, which is sufficient, given MEHC's stable distribution profile and limited equity commitments.

In acquiring PacifiCorp, MEHC will purchase all of PacifiCorp's outstanding common shares for about \$5.1 billion in cash. MEHC expects to fund the acquisition from an investment by Berkshire Hathaway of about \$3.4 billion in common stock and the issuance by MEHC to third parties of about \$1.7 billion of long-term senior notes.

PacifiCorp is expected to continue to provide for its own liquidity needs. Its cash and cash equivalent position was \$164 million as of Dec. 31, 2005, relative to \$199 million as of year-end fiscal 2005. The utility maintains an \$800 million commercial paper program, which had \$215 million outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2005. The program is backstopped by a revolving credit agreement that terminates in August 2010. PacifiCorp has a sizable capital expenditure program and expects to spend about \$1 billion annually in the coming years. PacifiCorp's maturities over the next five years are manageable, typically in the range of \$200 million, with \$216 million due in 2007. A sizable maturity of \$412 million is due in 2009.

MEHC will need to maintain its access to capital markets, as it has some large maturities to fund in the coming years. Maturities at the parent over the next five years include trust-preferred redemptions of \$234 million each year through 2009. MEHC repaid a \$260 million maturity in September 2005, and has no maturities in 2006, \$550 million in 2007, \$1 billion in 2008, and none in 2009. MEHC has no ratings triggers embedded in its financing documents.

Outlook

The stable outlook on PacifiCorp reflects MEHC's consolidated creditworthiness. Both entities benefit from Berkshire Hathaway ownership. Standard & Poor's expects MEHC to improve PacifiCorp's financial performance and capital structure over time. In addition, we expect MEHC to continue to focus on its regulated business strategy. To date, Berkshire Hathaway's investments have given MEHC financial flexibility, with excellent access to capital to pursue opportune acquisitions, which are strengthening MEHC's credit profile.

With the repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act, Standard & Poor's expects further acquisitions of regulated utilities in a manner that will continue to support the 'A-' rating. If MEHC's financial performance is weaker than forecast, or our view of parent support from Berkshire-Hathaway changes, a downgrade could result. The rating has limited upside, as improving financial metrics and a successful integration of PacifiCorp have been assumed.

Ratings List

Ratings Raised, Off Watch Pos

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Co.		
Corporate credit rating	A-/Stable/--	BBB-/Watch Pos/--
Senior unsecured debt	BBB+	BBB-/Watch Pos
Preferred stock	BBB-	BB/Watch Pos

Ratings Affirmed, Off Watch Neg

	To	From
PacifiCorp		
Long-term corp credit rtg	A-/Stable	A-/Watch Neg
Senior secured debt	A-	A-/Watch Neg
Senior unsecured debt	BBB+	BBB+/Watch Neg
Preferred stock	BBB	BBB/Watch Neg

Ratings Affirmed

PacifiCorp	
Short-term corp credit rtg	A-2
Commercial paper	A-2

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Ratings

Category	Moody's Rating
Outlook	Stable
Issuer Rating	Baa1
First Mortgage Bonds	A3
Senior Secured	A3
Senior Unsecured MTN	Baa1
Subordinate Shelf	(P)Baa2
Preferred Stock	Baa3
Commercial Paper	P-2
Parent: Scottish Power plc	
Outlook	Stable
Issuer Rating	Baa1
Sr Unsec Bank Credit Facility	Baa1
Senior Unsecured	Baa1
Utah Power & Light Co	
Outlook	Stable
Preferred Stock	Baa3

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Key Indicators

PacifiCorp

	LTM Q3 2006	2005	2004	2003
Funds from Operations / Adjusted Debt [1]	18.9%	18.2%	20.7%	17.7%
Retained Cash Flow / Adjusted Debt [1]	14.2%	14.0%	16.8%	17.7%
Common Dividends / Net Income Available for Common	69%	77%	66%	0%
Adjusted Funds from Operations + Adjusted Interest / Adjusted Interest [2]	3.83	3.97	4.12	3.54
Adjusted Debt / Adjusted Capitalization [1][3]	54.0%	57.6%	55.4%	56.6%
Net Income Available for Common / Common Equity	7.9%	7.5%	7.5%	4.2%

[1] Debt is adjusted for operating leases, guaranteed preferred beneficial interests in company's junior sub, and debentures & preferred stock subject to mandatory redemption. [2] Adjusted Interest reflects adjustments for operating leases and preferred stock dividends. [3] Adjusted Capitalization reflects the adjusted debt.

Note: For definitions of Moody's most common ratio terms please see the accompanying User's Guide.

Opinion**Rating Rationale**

The Baa1 senior unsecured rating of PacifiCorp reflects expected credit metrics that are consistent with a Baa1 rating for a vertically integrated utility with PacifiCorp's risk profile under Moody's industry rating methodology (please refer to Rating Methodology: Global Regulated Electric Utilities, March 2005) and in comparison to similar companies. Key financial metrics include the ratio of adjusted funds from operations (FFO) to total adjusted debt that has averaged about 19% for the past three years, and the ratio of FFO to interest expense that has averaged about 4.0x during the same period.

The rating incorporates the belief that, following the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MidAmerican Energy Holding Company's (MEHC) from Scottish Power plc, MEHC will manage PacifiCorp's business, including its future capital structure, in a way that is supportive to credit quality, including the contribution of ongoing equity to support the utility's capital expenditure program. The rating also considers MEHC's longer-term investment horizon, and recognizes its experience in operating several regulated utility systems in different geographic regions.

Of additional importance to PacifiCorp's ratings are the legal and regulatory factors that are expected to significantly insulate the credit quality of PacifiCorp from the credit quality of MEHC as its new parent. In this regard, key provisions include the appointment of an independent director, the regulatory requirement that a minimum common equity level that ranges between 44.0% and 48.25% be maintained to allow distributions, and a prohibition on the payment of dividends if PacifiCorp's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below investment grade.

The rating incorporates the expectation that PacifiCorp will continue to receive reasonable regulatory treatment throughout its six-state jurisdiction for the recovery of supply and delivery-related capital investment and operating costs. PacifiCorp's relatively stable financial performance has been aided by generally supportive regulatory decisions for capital investment and for recovery of power procurement costs. However, PacifiCorp has numerous remaining regulatory challenges in several of its key jurisdictions, the outcome of which could impact future credit quality at the utility. Of particular near-term importance is the outcome of several outstanding regulatory and legislative issues in Oregon. Operating revenues from Oregon jurisdictional customers represent about 30% of PacifiCorp's operating revenues. These issues include the rehearing of PacifiCorp's September 2005 Oregon general rate case (GRC), which substantially reduced the recommended rate increase by incorporating terms of the recently enacted tax-related legislation (Senate Bill 408) into the decision, the outcome of permanent rulemaking concerning the implementation of Senate Bill 408, and a final decision of the company's recently filed GRC.

The rating recognizes that the major regulatory impediments to the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MEHC appear to have been satisfied and that the acquisition is now expected to take place in the next 30 days. The transaction has been formally approved by the regulators of all six states that regulate PacifiCorp's utility operations. The transaction has also been approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Justice. Each of the state regulatory authorities has an opportunity for final review, particularly for "most favored states" consideration of approval conditions that were imposed by other jurisdictions.

Rating Outlook

The rating outlook is stable reflecting an expectation of fairly supportive regulatory decisions and a conservatively financed capital investment program

The rating outlook also recognizes that the acquisition, when completed, will eliminate an overhang of uncertainty that resulted from Scottish Power's clear intention to divest PacifiCorp.

What Could Change the Rating - UP

While the size of the company's capital expenditures limits the prospects for a rating upgrade at PacifiCorp in the near-term, the rating could be upgraded if reasonably regulatory support and a conservatively financed capital expenditure program results in a sustained improvement in credit metrics. This would include PacifiCorp's FFO to total adjusted debt being in excess of 20% and its FFO to adjusted interest expense being in excess of 4.0x both on a sustainable basis.

What Could Change the Rating - DOWN

The rating could be downgraded if reasonable regulatory support does not continue or in the unlikely event that the acquisition by MEHC is not consummated resulting in substantial uncertainty about the future ownership of PacifiCorp, given SP's stated desire to sell the utility.

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MOODY'S AFFIRMS THE RATINGS OF PACIFICORP (Baa1 SR. UNSECURED); REVISES RATING OUTLOOK TO STABLE FROM DEVELOPING

Approximately \$4.5 Billion of Debt Securities Affected

New York, February 28, 2006 – Moody's Investors Service affirmed the debt ratings of PacifiCorp (Baa1 senior unsecured debt) and changed the rating outlook to stable from developing. The action follows regulatory approvals in all of the six states needed to allow MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company's (MEHC) acquisition of PacifiCorp from Scottish Power plc for \$9.4 billion.

The rating affirmation reflects expected credit metrics that are consistent with a Baa1 rating for a vertically integrated utility with PacifiCorp's risk profile under Moody's industry rating methodology and in comparison to similar companies. Key financial metrics include the ratio of adjusted funds from operations (FFO) to total adjusted debt that has averaged about 19% for the past three years, and the ratio of FFO to interest expense that has averaged about 4.0x during the same period. The rating affirmation incorporates the belief that MEHC will manage PacifiCorp's business, including its future capital structure, in a way that is supportive to credit quality, including the contribution of ongoing equity to support the utility's capital expenditure program. The rating action also recognizes that the acquisition will eliminate an overhang of uncertainty that resulted from Scottish Power's clear intention to divest PacifiCorp. The rating and outlook consider MEHC's longer-term investment horizon, and recognize its experience in operating several regulated utility systems in different geographic regions.

PacifiCorp's ratings consider legal and regulatory factors that are expected to significantly insulate the credit quality of PacifiCorp from the credit quality of MEHC as its new parent. In this regard, key provisions include the appointment of an independent director, the regulatory requirement to maintain a minimum common equity level that ranges between 44.0% and 48.25% to allow distributions, and a prohibition on the payment of dividends if PacifiCorp's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below investment grade.

The rating affirmation incorporates the expectation that PacifiCorp will continue to receive reasonable regulatory treatment throughout its six-state jurisdiction for the recovery of supply and delivery-related capital investment and operating costs. PacifiCorp's relatively stable financial performance has been aided by generally supportive regulatory decisions for capital investment and for recovery of power procurement costs. However, PacifiCorp has numerous remaining regulatory challenges in several of its key jurisdictions, the outcome of which could impact future credit quality at the utility. Of particular near-term importance is the outcome of several outstanding regulatory and legislative issues in Oregon. Operating revenues from Oregon jurisdictional customers represent about 30% of PacifiCorp's operating revenues. These issues include the rehearing of PacifiCorp's September 2005 Oregon general rate case (GRC), which substantially reduced the recommended rate increase by incorporating terms of the recently enacted tax-related legislation (Senate Bill 408) into the decision, the outcome of permanent rulemaking concerning the implementation of Senate Bill 408, and a final decision of the company's recently filed GRC.

The rating outlook is stable, reflecting an expectation of fairly supportive regulatory decisions and conservative financing of PacifiCorp's fairly large capital investment program. While the size of the company's capital expenditures limits the prospects for a rating upgrade in the near-term, the rating could be upgraded if reasonable regulatory support and a conservatively financed capital expenditure program results in a sustained improvement in credit metrics. This would include achieving ratios of FFO to total adjusted debt in excess of 20% and FFO to adjusted interest expense in excess of 4.0x, on a sustainable basis. The rating could be downgraded if reasonable regulatory support does not continue, or in the unlikely event that the acquisition by MEHC is not consummated and there is substantial uncertainty about the future ownership of PacifiCorp for a substantial period of time.

Ratings affirmed include:

Senior secured debt; A3,

Issuer Rating and senior unsecured debt; Baa1,

Preferred stock; Baa3, and

Short term rating for commercial paper; Prime-2.

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MOODY'S UPGRADES MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY TO Baa1 (SR. UNSEC.) FROM Baa3 AND UPGRADES TWO SUBSIDIARIES; RATING OUTLOOK IS STABLE

Approximately \$5 Billion of Debt Securities Affected

New York, February 28, 2006 – Moody's Investors Service upgraded MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company's (MEHC) senior unsecured debt rating to Baa1 from Baa3. Moody's also upgraded the ratings of subsidiaries MidAmerican Energy Company (MEC; senior unsecured to A2 from A3) and MidAmerican Funding (MF; senior unsecured to A3 from Baa1). This concludes the review for possible upgrade that was initiated on January 23, 2006. The rating outlook is stable for MEHC, MEC and MF. There are no changes in ratings or outlook for the other rated subsidiaries of MEHC, which were not under review.

The conclusion of the review recognizes that the major regulatory impediments to the acquisition of PacifiCorp, which has a senior unsecured debt rating of Baa1, appear to have been satisfied and that the acquisition is now expected to take place in the next 30 days. The transaction has been formally approved by the regulators of all six states that regulate PacifiCorp's utility operations. The transaction has also been approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Justice. Each of the state regulatory authorities has an opportunity for final review, particularly for "most favored states" consideration of approval conditions that were imposed by other jurisdictions.

The upgrade reflects strategic and financial benefits from the merger. The upgrade also incorporates a perceived stronger linkage between MEHC and its majority shareholder Berkshire Hathaway Inc., which has a senior unsecured debt rating of (P)Aaa, as the form of its ownership of MEHC has changed following the repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935. These developments are expected to improve the credit profile of MEHC for the following reasons:

- 1) The acquisition of PacifiCorp in a predominantly equity financed transaction will result in stronger consolidated financial ratios for MEHC;
- 2) The addition of PacifiCorp as a substantial subsidiary will reduce overall business risk by increasing the proportion of cash flow that is derived from regulated utility operations;
- 3) PacifiCorp's operations in the Northwest complement MEC's business in the Midcontinent region, and will diversify regulatory risk and weather volatility for the core utility operations of MEHC. The transaction will result in a more diversified customer base, service territory and generation portfolio for the consolidated organization;
- 4) Following the elimination of PUHCA in February 2006, and the issuance of equity as part of the PacifiCorp acquisition, Berkshire Hathaway will increase its voting ownership from under 10% to approximately 88%, causing MEHC to become a consolidated subsidiary for financial and income tax reporting purposes.

The upgrade of MEC's ratings reflects the expected credit improvement of MEHC and the potential for decreased reliance upon MEC as a source of upstream dividends to MEHC when PacifiCorp becomes an additional subsidiary. The action also represents a narrowing of the notching between the holding company and its utility subsidiary. MEC's senior unsecured rating had previously been constrained by the rating of MEHC and the importance of MEC as a potential source of upstream dividends to MEHC.

The upgrade of MF is due to the upgrade of MEC. As an intermediate holding company, MF relies upon dividends that are upstreamed from MEC.

MEHC will acquire PacifiCorp from Scottish Power plc (SP), rated Baa1 senior unsecured, for a value of \$9.4 billion, including \$5.1 billion in cash and \$4.3 billion of net debt which will remain outstanding. In connection

with the transaction, Berkshire Hathaway will infuse about \$3.4 billion of equity into MEHC. Moody's assessment of the parent's willingness to provide support also considers an equity commitment agreement that will be executed between MEHC and Berkshire Hathaway. Under this agreement, MEHC will be able to call upon equity funding of up to \$3.5 billion for a five year period as needed to fund the requirements of its regulated utility operations or to pay maturing debt obligations. This agreement is viewed as providing a clear mechanism for the provision of additional support from the parent. However, the willingness to provide ongoing support is viewed as being more strongly based upon a highly rated parent's economic incentive to protect its investment in a consolidated subsidiary.

On a stand-alone basis, MEHC's financial ratios and business risk profile would be consistent with a Baa2 rating in accordance with Moody's industry rating methodology and in comparison to the ratings of similar companies. The expected financial profile includes a projected ratio of funds from operations to total debt of about 15% and retained cash flow to total debt of about 14% over the next several years. The Baa1 rating for MEHC incorporates an additional one notch lift above the stand-alone result, based upon the expectation of parental support. This considers that there are no legal undertakings to provide support other than the equity commitment agreement.

The stable outlook reflects the relatively low risk of the company's predominantly regulated electric and gas businesses, and the expectation that future financial performance will have low volatility due to the diversification of its underlying operations.

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FitchRatings

FITCH LOWERS PPW SR UNSECURED DEBT TO 'BBB+'; OUTLOOK STABLE

Fitch Ratings-New York-31 January 2006: Fitch Ratings has lowered PacifiCorp's (PPW) credit ratings as indicated below:

- Issuer default rating to 'BBB' from 'BBB+';
- Senior secured to 'A-' from 'A';
- Senior unsecured to 'BBB+' from 'A-';
- Preferred stock to 'BBB' from 'BBB+'.

At the same time, Fitch has affirmed PPW's 'F2' short term rating. The Rating Outlook is Stable for all of PPW's long- and short-term debt and preferred securities. The rating action affects approximately \$4.4 billion of debt.

The lowered ratings better reflect the company's operating cash flow and debt leverage measures, large capital spending program, and business risk profile. While a large majority of the utility's generating capacity mix is coal-fired, incremental load growth is expected to be met primarily by natural gas-fired resources. As a result, the company's natural gas requirements are likely to grow over time. Management has contracts in place to hedge its natural gas exposure through 2007, including fuel for the new Currant Creek and Lake Side power plants, and has hydro hedges in place to mitigate in part its exposure to critical water conditions through September 2006. In addition, regulatory filings in the past year to implement fuel and purchase power cost adjustment mechanisms, if approved, would further mitigate commodity exposure. These filings are currently being considered by regulators in Wyoming, Washington, Utah and Oregon. Nonetheless, the mechanisms are not in place yet and exposure to high and rising natural gas fuel and purchase power costs could be significant, especially in the event of a sustained outage at a base-load generating facility during a period of peak demand. The ratings also consider PPW's above-industry average service territory growth, primarily in its eastern service territory, and significant planned investment in new plant and infrastructure to meet its load requirements, which are estimated to approximate \$1 billion per annum over the next five years.

The rating action and Stable Rating Outlook incorporate reasonable regulatory outcomes in pending and future rate proceedings and note the unfavorable final order issued in September 2005 by the Oregon commission in PPW's general rate case (GRC, discussed further below). The proposed sale of PPW by Scottish Power (SP; senior unsecured debt rated 'BBB+' by Fitch) to MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC; senior unsecured debt rated 'BBB' by Fitch) is not a factor in the rating downgrade. In fact, Fitch views the change in ownership, if approved by regulatory authorities as expected by the end of March 2006, as a stabilizing factor for PPW's credit profile. Conversely, if the proposed sale to MEHC were to fail, the result would be uncertainty as to the future ownership of PPW, which in Fitch's view would be a negative credit development. The Stable Outlook also anticipates the equity infusion of approximately \$300 million net of dividends from its direct parent, PacifiCorp Holdings, Inc. (PHI), during the 2006 fiscal year. PPW is a direct subsidiary of PHI, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of SP.

PPW's operating cash flow has been challenged by a lack of regulatory support and low returns in its six-state service territory and below normal hydroelectric conditions in five of the past six years (recent winter 2005-2006 precipitation statistics imply significantly improved hydrogenation in 2006). Fitch continues to view regulation as a primary risk for PPW fixed income investors and recognizes progress made by SP management in improving its relations with its regulators. Moreover, Fitch assumes progress in this area will continue under new ownership. Regulatory progress is evidenced by constructive outcomes in PPW's multi-state process, the February 2005 Utah Public Service Commission GRC order authorizing a \$51 million rate increase, legislation enacted in Utah adopting a forward test year, and the pending power cost adjustment mechanism filings in Oregon, Washington and Wyoming.

However, the Oregon Public Utilities Commission's (OPUC) September 2005 order incorporating recently

enacted tax legislation (Senate Bill 408) in PPW's Oregon GRC is a serious matter for concern in Fitch's view. The OPUC has granted PPW's motion to rehear the order in its GRC with respect to the incorporation of Senate Bill 408, which reduced the \$52 million rate increase contemplated under settlement agreements reached by PPW with intervener groups to approximately \$26 million. Rehearing proceedings are scheduled through May 2006, which together with the outcome of the Senate Bill 408, permanent rule making process will affect PPW's future earnings and cash flows.

The agreed sale of PPW by SP for approximately \$9.4 billion to MEHC, including the assumption of \$4.3 billion of net debt and preferred stock, announced May 24, 2005, has received clearance under Hart Scott Rodino and the approval of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Settlement agreements have been reached with the relevant parties in all six states PPW serves. The Utah Public Service Commission unanimously approved the acquisition of PPW by MEHC and issued its order Jan. 27, 2006. The Wyoming Public Service Commission has also approved the transaction and a final written order will be issued and become effective Feb. 10, 2006.

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Rationale

Rationale

The 'A-' corporate credit rating (CCR) on PacifiCorp reflects the consolidated credit quality of the utility's ultimate parent, Scottish Power plc (A-/Stable/A-2). PacifiCorp's ratings remain on CreditWatch with negative implications following the May 2005 announcement that the utility would be acquired by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Co. (MEHC; BBB-/Watch Positive/-) for \$9.4 billion, consisting of \$5.1 billion in equity and the assumption of net debt and preferred stock of \$4.3 billion. The acquisition will be financed at the MEHC level, predominantly with equity. While final regulatory approval in each of the states PacifiCorp serves is pending, current indications suggest that the transaction may close on or before March 31, 2006.

MEHC has committed to regulators that it will structurally separate or "ring fence" PacifiCorp from MEHC. If PacifiCorp meets Standard & Poor's ring-fencing criteria, once the sale is completed, PacifiCorp's CCR could be higher than MEHC's CCR, but it would also reflect its standalone credit quality. The CreditWatch with negative implications indicates that PacifiCorp's standalone financial metrics are weak for its current 'A-' CCR. Under the settlements negotiated, MEHC has agreed to forgo dividends from PacifiCorp if PacifiCorp's common equity ratio is below 48.25% from the closing date of the transaction through Dec. 31, 2008. Other commitments include credits of up to \$142.5 million (if adopted by all states) that will reduce retail rates through 2010 to the extent that PacifiCorp does not achieve identified cost reductions or demonstrate mitigation of certain risks to customers.

PacifiCorp's satisfactory business profile score (a '5' on a 10-point scale, with '1' being the strongest) reflects a predominantly coal-fired generation fleet that in fiscal 2005 (ended March 31) provided about 70% of retail energy requirements (power purchases constitute about 21%, with hydro and natural gas providing the remaining balance), competitive retail rates, and progress in adjudicating rate cases to ensure that rates reflect current costs, which should improve the company's return on equity (ROE), that has consistently been below authorized levels. The ultimate outcome of the permanent rules related to Oregon Senate bill 408, passed in the fall of 2005, may have implications for PacifiCorp's earnings and cash flow. The current expectation is that permanent rules will be implemented during this summer.

In the last quarter, PacifiCorp and MEHC have negotiated two

key proposed settlements in Oregon and Utah that support the acquisition. Recently, it was announced that Wyoming and Washington have also completed settlements, meaning that settlements now exist in all six states. The settlements contain "most favored nation" clauses by which any state may ask the company to provide it with the terms and conditions negotiated in another. Final approval will require commission votes in all six states, which is scheduled to occur by the end of February. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the Department of Justice (DOJ) have all approved the transaction. Berkshire Hathaway is expected to soon file its request with the DOJ seeking early termination of the waiting period for its conversion of MEHC convertible preferred stock.

Short-term rating factors.

Until the transaction closes, PacifiCorp's short-term ratings are based on the 'A-2' short-term ratings on Scottish Power plc and Scottish Power U.K. and reflect the expectations that, in the short term, the companies are expected to have ample internal liquidity. This is due to the steady, predictable net cash flow stream produced by the group's regulated businesses, the group's minimal debt maturities over the next few years, and Scottish Power's ample credit facility capacity. Cash and other short-term deposits, which amounted to about £920 million (\$1.16 billion) at Sept. 30, 2005, are held in a variety of quickly accessible funds. Full capacity exists under a \$500 million revolving credit facility due in 2010.

PacifiCorp currently provides for its own liquidity needs. Its cash and cash equivalent position was \$123.4 million as of Sept. 30, relative to \$199 million as of year-end fiscal 2005. In addition, it has an \$800 million commercial paper program, with \$296 million outstanding at the end of the third quarter. The program is backstopped by a revolving credit agreement that terminates in August 2010. As of Sept. 30, the facility was un-utilized and fully available.

The purchase agreement specifies that Scottish Power, via PacifiCorp Holdings Inc. (PHI), make a common equity contribution to PacifiCorp in quarterly amounts that total \$500 million for fiscal 2006. Considering the contributions against expected dividends, which are capped in the acquisition agreement, the net cash equity contribution the utility is expected to receive from Scottish Power via PHI is about \$285.2 million. In contrast, in fiscal 2005, PacifiCorp's dividends paid to PHI totaled about \$193 million, and no equity contributions were received.

Future maturities of \$120 million during the second half of fiscal 2006 are in line with historic obligations. At Sept. 30 (which is halfway through Scottish Power's fiscal year), PacifiCorp's capital expenditures totaled \$470 million. The utility has indicated that it expects total fiscal 2006 capital expenditures to be about \$1.1 billion. The acquisition agreement requires capital expenditures consistent with PacifiCorp's budget.

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MOODY'S PLACES MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY (Baa3 SR. UNSEC.) AND TWO SUBSIDIARIES UNDER REVIEW FOR POSSIBLE UPGRADE

Approximately \$5 Billion of Debt Securities Affected

New York, January 23, 2006 – Moody's Investors Service placed the ratings of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC), including its Baa3 senior unsecured debt, under review for possible upgrade. Moody's also placed the ratings of subsidiaries MidAmerican Energy Company (MEC), A3 senior unsecured, and MidAmerican Funding (MF), Baa1 senior unsecured, under review for possible upgrade. The ratings of the other subsidiaries of MEHC are unaffected.

The review reflects the growing likelihood that the acquisition of PacifiCorp, rated Baa1 senior unsecured, will be concluded in the near future. The review also incorporates expectations that the voting ownership of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., rated (P)Aaa senior unsecured, will increase substantially when restrictions under the Public Utility Holding Company Act (PUHCA) are eliminated next month. These pending changes are expected to improve the credit profile of MEHC for the following reasons:

- 1) The acquisition of PacifiCorp in a predominantly equity financed transaction will result in stronger consolidated financial ratios;
- 2) The addition of a substantial subsidiary will increase the diversity and stability of cash flows from regulated operations;
- 3) PacifiCorp's operations in the Northwest complement MEC's business in the Midcontinent region, and will diversify regulatory risk and weather volatility for the core utility operations of MEHC. The transaction is expected to result in a consolidated organization with a more diversified customer base, service territory, and generation portfolio.
- 4) Following the elimination of PUHCA in February 2006, Berkshire Hathaway is expected to increase its voting ownership from under 10% to 86.5%, causing MEHC to become a consolidated subsidiary for reporting purposes.

The review of MEC's ratings reflects the expected credit improvement of MEHC and the potential for decreased reliance upon MEC as a source of upstream dividends to MEHC when PacifiCorp becomes an additional subsidiary. MEC's stand-alone financial ratios could support a rating that is one notch higher, but its current A3 senior unsecured rating has been constrained by the Baa3 rating of MEHC and the importance of MEC as a potential source of upstream dividends to MEHC. The rating of MF is under review due to the potential for an upgrade of MEC. As an intermediate holding company, MF relies upon dividends that are upstreamed from MEC.

MEHC will acquire PacifiCorp from Scottish Power plc (SP), rated Baa1 senior unsecured, for \$9.4 billion, including \$5.1 billion in cash and the assumption of about \$4.3 billion of net debt. A majority of the \$5.1 billion cash portion of the transaction will be funded through an equity contribution to MEHC from Berkshire Hathaway, resulting in an improvement in MEHC's balance sheet leverage. In addition, the terms of the existing zero coupon convertible preferred stock, which was designed to prevent Berkshire Hathaway from becoming subject to the Public Utility Holding Company Act (PUHCA), provide for conversion to common equity following the repeal of PUCHA.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Department of Justice have provided approvals for the acquisition of PacifiCorp. The transaction also requires final approval by six state utility regulatory commissions: Oregon, Utah, California, Idaho, Washington and Wyoming. MEHC has reached agreement with the staff of the six

state commissions. Although closing of the merger appears likely in the near future, MEHC has also stated that failure to obtain satisfactory resolution of pending tax law (SB408) issues in Oregon could delay the closing of the transaction.

The review will focus on the potential for improvement in financial metrics and business risk as a result of the pending acquisition of PacifiCorp, including the degree to which cash flow volatility will be reduced by the PacifiCorp transaction. In connection with the elimination of PUHCA in February, the review will also assess whether the change in MEHC's relationship with Berkshire Hathaway justifies any lift to the rating based upon an increased potential for support from the parent. The outcome of the review process is likely to result in a one or two notch upgrade of MEHC.

The ratings of PacifiCorp are unchanged. PacifiCorp continues have a developing rating outlook due to uncertainty about its on-going ownership in the event that the MEHC transaction fails to secure the remaining regulatory approvals and close as expected, since the current owner has clearly stated its intention to divest PacifiCorp. The company also faces a need for substantial capital spending over the next few years.

MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company is based in Des Moines, Iowa, and is a privately-owned global provider of energy services. The company provides electric and natural gas services to 5 million customers.

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Specific Industry:	Utility/Diversified Holding Company
Short Term Rating:	P-2

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Opinion

PacifiCorp's Prime-2 short-term rating for commercial paper reflects the predictable cash flow of this well-positioned vertically integrated utility. Operating cash flow has strengthened over the past few years due to the receipt of favorable regulatory decisions relating to recovery of purchased power costs. Operating cash flow is being used to finance a growing capital expenditure program intended to enhance reliability and supply requirements for the utility's service territory.

During fiscal year 2005 (March 31st), cash from operations of about \$711 million covered nearly 68% of PacifiCorp's outlays, including capital expenditures incurred at the utility and the payment of dividends. For 12 months ending September 30, 2005, cash from operations increased to \$752 million, representing nearly 63% of the company's requirements. PacifiCorp has met the remaining funding requirements through the incurrence of short-term debt, principally commercial paper, and from equity provided by PacifiCorp's parent, PacifiCorp Holdings, Inc. (PHI).

On May 23, 2005, ScottishPower (SP) and PHI executed a Stock Purchase Agreement providing for the sale of all PacifiCorp common stock held by PHI to MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MidAmerican) for about \$9.4 billion, consisting of approximately \$5.1 billion in cash plus approximately \$4.3 billion in net debt and preferred stock, which will remain outstanding at PacifiCorp. The closing of the sale of PacifiCorp is subject to a number of conditions, including approvals from various state and federal regulatory authorities. Pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement, SP has agreed that dividends paid by PacifiCorp to PHI will not exceed \$214.8 million in the aggregate during fiscal 2006, and \$242.3 million in the aggregate during fiscal 2007. Additionally, while the sale of PacifiCorp is pending and the Stock Purchase Agreement is in effect, PHI has agreed to make common equity contributions to PacifiCorp totaling \$125 million at the end of each quarter in fiscal 2006 and \$131.25 million at the end of each quarter in fiscal 2007.

PacifiCorp had outstanding commercial paper of \$296 million and \$468 million as of September 30, 2005 and at March 31, 2005, respectively. PacifiCorp's short-term borrowings and other financing arrangements are supported by an \$800 million revolving credit agreement, which expires in August 2010. Additionally, PacifiCorp's shelf registration totaling \$700 million for 1st mortgage bonds and unsecured debt was approved by the SEC and was unutilized as of September 2005. Liquidity is further enhanced by the company's cash and cash equivalents totaling \$123 million and \$199 million as of September 30, 2005 and at March 31, 2005, respectively.

PacifiCorp relies upon its revolving credit agreement to backstop its commercial paper program and for daily liquidity requirements, if any, for \$38 million of unenhanced pollution control revenue bonds. The facility does not contain rating triggers that would cause acceleration or make the facilities unavailable, but does contain rating sensitive pricing. The facility contains a financial covenant that limits debt to 65% of total capitalization while other financing arrangements limit the company to a debt to capital ratio of 60%. The company plans on seeking

amendments to the other financing arrangements to increase the debt to capital ratio limit to 65%. As of September 30, 2005, PacifiCorp was in compliance with both limits.

As of September 30, 2005, PacifiCorp also had \$517.8 million of standby letters of credit and standby bond purchase agreements to provide credit enhancement and liquidity support for pollution-control revenue bonds. These facilities expire periodically through the year ending March 31, 2010.

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Ratings

Category	Moody's Rating
Outlook	Developing
Issuer Rating	Baa1
First Mortgage Bonds	A3
Senior Secured	A3
Senior Unsecured MTN	Baa1
Subordinate Shelf	(P)Baa2
Preferred Stock	Baa3
Commercial Paper	P-2
Parent: Scottish Power plc	
Outlook	Stable
Issuer Rating	Baa1
Sr Unsec Bank Credit Facility	Baa1
Senior Unsecured	Baa1
Utah Power & Light Co	
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Key Indicators

PacifiCorp	2005	2004	2003	2002
Funds from Operations / Adjusted Debt [1]	18.3%	20.5%	17.7%	6.7%
Retained Cash Flow / Adjusted Debt [1]	14.0%	16.7%	17.7%	-0.3%
Common Dividends / Net Income Available for Common	77%	66%	0%	99%
Adjusted Funds from Operations + Adjusted Interest / Adjusted Interest [2]	3.98	4.10	3.39	2.15
Adjusted Debt / Adjusted Capitalization [1][3]	57.6%	55.6%	56.3%	60.3%
Net Income Available for Common / Common Equity	7.5%	7.5%	4.1%	10.9%

[1] Debt is adjusted for operating leases, guaranteed preferred beneficial interests in company's junior sub, and debentures & preferred stock subject to mandatory redemption. [2] Adjusted Interest reflects adjustments for operating leases and preferred stock dividends. [3] Adjusted Capitalization reflects the adjusted debt.

Note: For definitions of Moody's most common ratio terms please see the accompanying *User's Guide*.

Opinion

Credit Strengths

PacifiCorp's credit strengths are:

Low-cost generating assets and extensive transmission network through the western US

Recent key regulatory decisions have mostly been constructive

While credit metrics lag relative to similarly rated peers, recent rate increases are expected to improve credit metrics.

Financing plan contemplates substantial equity support

Credit Challenges

PacifiCorp's credit challenges are:

Regulatory uncertainty still remain due to numerous rate applications pending

Future capital expenditures will increase materially

Six state utility network creates regulatory challenges

Financial performance can be affected by hydro levels in the Pacific Northwest

Rating Rationale

The Baa1 senior unsecured rating of PacifiCorp reflects the relative predictability of cash flows expected from a well-positioned, vertically integrated utility, and an affiliation with parent, Scottish Power, plc, (SP) who has implemented operational efficiencies, and has fortified relations with the state regulators. The rating also considers the company's reasonably successful efforts to raise rates which improve regulated returns and sustainable cash flow and can support an increasing capital budget over the next several years. While regulatory challenges remain for PacifiCorp, the rating incorporates an expectation that the company will continue to maintain constructive regulatory relationships during this important period.

The rating also considers the announcement by MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company (MEHC) to acquire PacifiCorp from SP for \$9.4 billion, including \$5.1 billion in cash and the assumption of around \$4.3 billion of PacifiCorp net debt and preferred stock. The rating considers the expected continuation of equity support from SP prior to the completion of the acquisition and factors in the belief that MEHC will manage PacifiCorp's business, including its future capital structure, in a way that is supportive to credit quality.

Rating Outlook

PacifiCorp's rating outlook is developing. While Moody's views the acquisition of PacifiCorp by MEHC to have long-term positive benefits, particularly given the size of the capital investment program, the developing rating outlook incorporates the near-term potential for new regulatory challenges for PacifiCorp as the merger-related approval process in each of the six states could affect the timing and the outcome of a number of important rate cases that are underway throughout the company's six state jurisdiction. Most of the current rate cases have the potential for PacifiCorp to obtain some form of rate increase, which collectively will enhance the company's returns and cash flow as the utility increases its capital investment. To the extent that the merger approval process, substantially affects the timeliness or the amount of rate recovery currently being pursued by PacifiCorp, the company's credit quality could, in the near-term, be negatively affected.

This near-term concern is balanced against the longer-term benefits to PacifiCorp's bondholders of ownership by MEHC, which is 80.5% owned by Berkshire Hathaway, and considers MEHC's successful track record in operating other regulated utility businesses as well as our belief that the potential new owners are likely to take a long-term view towards enhancing returns at PacifiCorp.

Moody's will monitor the merger approval process at the state and federal level and assess the impact, if any, on PacifiCorp's existing regulatory filings, as well as the final form in which MEHC intends to finance this acquisition. To the extent that the merger related regulatory proceedings do not meaningfully affect the timeliness or the outcome of state regulatory proceedings currently underway, the PacifiCorp rating outlook could stabilize.

What Could Change the Rating - UP

While the size of the capital expenditures limit the prospects for a rating upgrade at PacifiCorp in the near-term, the rating could be upgraded over the intermediate term if the company's capital expenditure program continues to be financed conservatively and if reasonable regulatory support is secured on a timely basis resulting in an improvement in credit metrics. This would include PacifiCorp's funds from operations (FFO) to total adjusted debt being in excess of 20% on a sustainable basis and its FFO to adjusted interest expense being in excess of 4.0x on a sustainable basis.

What Could Change the Rating - DOWN

Given the size of PacifiCorp's capital program and the rating's reliance on ongoing regulatory support, the rating could be downgraded if timely regulatory support is delayed or materially affected due to the merger related regulatory approvals.

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