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#### Via Electronic and US Mail

**Public Utility Commission** Attn: Filing Center 550 Capitol St. NE #215 P.O. Box 2148 Salem OR 97308-2148

> In the Matter of STEPHEN FORBES COOPER, LLC, as Disbursing Agent, on Re:

behalf of the RESERVE FOR DISPUTED CLAIMS

Docket No. UF 4218

In the Matter of Application for an Order Allowing the Reserve for Disputed Claims to Acquire the Power to Exercise Substantial Influence over the Affairs and Policies of Portland, General Electric Company Pursuant to ORS 757.511

Docket No. UM 1206

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find original and two copies of the Proposed Budget of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities in the above-referenced docket.

Please return one file-stamped copy of this document in the enclosed stamped envelope. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sheila R. Ho Sheila R. Ho

Enclosures

Service List cc:

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing Proposed Budget of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities upon the parties, on the service list shown below, by causing the same to be mailed, postage-prepaid, through the U.S. Mail, as well as via electronic mail

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 29th day of July, 2005.

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#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### **OF OREGON**

#### UF 4218/UM 1206

In the Matter of	
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY,  Application for an Order Authorizing the Issuance of 62,500,000 Shares of New Common Stock Pursuant to ORS 757.410 et seq. (UF 4218).	PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES  ) )
In the Matter of	) )
STEPHEN FORBES COOPER, LLC, as Disbursing Agent, on behalf of the RESERVE FOR DISPUTED CLAIMS,	) ) )
Application for an Order Allowing the Reserve for Disputed Claims to Acquire the Power to Exercise Substantial Influence over the Affairs and Policies of Portland General Electric Company Pursuant to ORS 757.511 (UM 1206).	) ) ) ) ) )

Pursuant to Section 6.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA") approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") in Order No. 03-388 (July 2, 2003), the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU") files this Proposed Budget in UM 1206/UF 4218 for an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. ICNU prepared its Proposed Budget on the basis of the procedural schedule adopted in the prehearing conference report issued in this Docket on July 19, 2005. ICNU proposes that this grant be funded from the Portland General Electric Co. ("PGE" or the "Company") Issue Fund Account. ICNU

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respectfully requests that the Commission act on this Proposed Budget within fourteen days of receipt, as provided by Section 6.4 of the IFA. The following information is provided in

accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA:

(1) Statement of the work to be performed by ICNU for which ICNU is seeking the Issue

**Fund Grant:** 

ICNU has retained Davison Van Cleve, P.C. to represent ICNU in

UF 4218/UM 1206. PGE and Stephen Forbes Cooper, LLC ("SFC") have filed a joint

application requesting certain approvals related to the proposed transfer of 100% of PGE's

common equity from Enron Corporation to creditors of Enron and other debtors. In UF 4218,

PGE requests a Commission order pursuant to ORS § 757.410 et seq. authorizing PGE to issue

62,500,000 shares of "New PGE Common Stock." In UM 1206, SFC requests an order pursuant

to ORS § 757.511 authorizing the "Reserve for Disputed Claims" to hold more than five percent

of the New PGE Common Stock.

The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as "any Commission proceeding that

directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities . . . . " IFA, Section 1(c).

UF 4218/UM 1206 directly affects PGE, which falls under the definition of "Participating Public

Utility" in Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, UM 1206/UF 4218 is an Eligible Proceeding and

an Issue Fund Grant may be made for this proceeding under Section 6.1 of the IFA.

ICNU intends to attend all clarifying sessions, workshops, settlement conferences,

public meetings, oral presentations and hearings in UF 4218/UM 1206. In addition, ICNU

intends to sponsor expert witness testimony and prepare a brief as called for by the procedural

schedule in this Docket. The purpose of ICNU's participation is to ensure that the proposed

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DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C. 333 SW Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204 Telephone: (503) 241-7242 transfer of ownership complies with Oregon law and will provide a net benefit to PGE's

customers.

(2) <u>Description of the areas to be investigated by ICNU:</u>

ICNU intends to investigate the Applicants' proposals to issue New PGE

Common Stock and distribute that stock to creditors of Enron as part of Enron's bankruptcy plan.

According to the Applicants, the transfer of ownership of PGE serves the public interest, as

required by ORS § 757.511(3). ICNU intends to review issues regarding any impact of the

proposed transfer of ownership on rates and quality of service and its consistency with the public

interest requirement. ICNU also intends to examine the fulfillment of the existing Enron merger

conditions, the continuation of existing conditions, and whether any new conditions are

necessary. ICNU also intends to advocate for the interests of PGE's customers and promote

customer benefits consistent with the public interest requirement.

(3) Description of the particular customer class or classes that will benefit from the

intervenor's participation:

ICNU's participation will directly benefit industrial and all other large non-

residential customers who purchase service from PGE. ICNU has participated in previous

proposed acquisitions of PGE, including the proposed acquisitions by Texas Pacific Group,

Northwest Natural Gas Company, and Sierra Pacific Resources. Thus, ICNU possesses

significant interest and expertise with respect to issues regarding the transfer of ownership of

PGE.

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DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C. 333 SW Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204 Telephone: (503) 241-7242 (4) <u>Identification of the specific Fund account from which ICNU is seeking the Issue Fund</u>

**Grant**:

ICNU is seeking an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. ICNU will

bear the cost of its participation to the extent that its costs exceed the amount requested. ICNU

proposes that the grant amount be allocated from the PGE Issue Fund Account established under

IFA Section 4.2.3.

(5) <u>Budget showing estimated attorney and consultant fees and expert witness fees:</u>

Attached as Exhibit A is ICNU's proposed budget in UF 4218/UM 1206.

**Basis for Request** 

ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission grant its request for this Issue

Fund Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 based on the following considerations:

1. UF 4218/UM 1206 involves consideration of the appropriate benefits to

PGE customers as a result of the distribution of New PGE Common Stock to Creditors of Enron

as part of the Enron bankruptcy. The effect of this action will result in a transfer of ownership of

PGE. As a result, UF 4218/UM 1206 will have a direct impact on PGE's customers.

2. UF 4218/UM 1206 involves very significant policy issues, and the

Commission should solicit as much input as possible from PGE customers.

3. UF 4218/UM 1206 involves issues that could have significant impacts on

customer rates and service. PGE customers could bear substantial risk associated with the

proposed transfer of stock to Enron's creditors is this transfer is approved without ensuring

appropriate customer protections and benefits.

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DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C. 333 SW Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204 4. ICNU represents the interests of industrial customers and has significant

experience participating in Commission proceedings involving the acquisition of PGE. ICNU's

participation will benefit all PGE industrial customers.

5 ICNU has been pre-certified under Section 5.1 of the IFA and

OAR § 860-012-0100(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant by Order No. 03-502, which

was entered on August 1, 2003.

Therefore, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order

granting an Issue Fund Grant in the amount specified above. ICNU prepared the attached budget

on the basis of the schedule adopted in the prehearing conference report issued in this Docket on

July 19, 2005. In the event that the Docket involves a substantially different process, ICNU will

prepare an amended budget.

Dated this 29th day of July, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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## UF 4218/UM 1206

## Exhibit A

## ICNU Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant

Task Attend Prehearing Conference, Work on Scheduling, Attend Filing Meetings, Review Filing	Assigned Personnel Sr. Attorney	Hours 8	<u>Rate</u> 195.00	<u>Cost</u> 1,560.00
Analyze Case and Prepare Issue Statement, Work on Issues with Other Parties	Sr. Attorney	5	195.00	975.00
Prepare for and Participate in Workshops and Public Meetings	Sr. Attorney Assoc. Attorney	8	195.00 145.00	1,560.00 435.00
Conduct Discovery	Sr. Attorney	4	195.00	780.00
•	Assoc. Attorney	8	145.00	1,160.00
Participate in Settlement	Sr. Attorney	8	195.00	1,560.00
Conferences	Assoc. Attorney	3	145.00	435.00
Review Testimony	Sr. Attorney	3	195.00	585.00
	Assoc. Attorney	8	145.00	1,160.00
Legal Research	Assoc. Attorney	3	145.00	435.00
Prepare for and Attend Hearing	Sr. Attorney	10	195.00	1,950.00
	Assoc. Attorney	6	145.00	870.00
Draft Brief	Sr. Attorney	6	195.00	1,170.00
	Assoc. Attorney	8	145.00	1,160.00
Prepare for and Attend Oral Argument	Sr. Attorney	8	195.00	1,560.00
Expert Witness Fees	_	25	255.00	6,375.00
	Total Hours	124	Sub-Total	23,730.00
Travel Expenses (Mileage)				200.00
Consultant Travel Expenses				800.00
Printing and Reproduction				150.00
Telephone and Postage				120.00

Grand Total 25,000.00