

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of the)
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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF) MEMORANDUM
OREGON)
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Investigation into the Treatment of CO2)
Risk in the Integrated Resource Planning)
(IRP) Process.)

DISPOSITION: JOINT ISSUES LIST ADOPTED

Pursuant to the Prehearing Conference Memorandum issued March 2, 2007, parties were directed to submit their lists of proposed issues not later than April 19, 2007. On April 19th the Commission Staff submitted the following statement of issues:

ISSUES

1. What CO2 regulatory cost stream should utilities use in their IRP base case, and what assumed CO2 regulatory future, e.g., a fixed carbon adder or a carbon policy modeling constraint, should serve as the basis for the base case cost stream?
2. What alternative CO2 regulatory cost streams should utilities use in their IRP scenario analyses, and what assumed CO2 regulatory futures should serve as the bases for these alternative cost streams?
3. How should the existing, and potential future, carbon or other greenhouse gas emission goals of the State of Oregon be included in utility IRPs?
4. What probability weighting, if any, should utilities assign to the CO2 base case and scenario analyses?

5. How should utilities vary the CO2 regulatory cost streams to identify the “trigger point” (or CO2 regulatory future) that changes the preferred resource portfolio, and should utilities vary other model inputs to achieve logical consistency and to test the sensitivity of the trigger point to the changes in other variables?

6. Are the alternative futures used in the scenario analyses an adequate measure of the cost risk associated with choosing one portfolio over another? Should utilities use a different approach when considering the risk of future CO2 regulation?

Staff states that it believes that all parties agree with the statement of proposed issues.

The statement of issues is adopted.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 20th day of April, 2007.

Patrick Power
Administrative Law Judge