

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UE 197

In the Matter of:)
Portland General Electric) PETITION TO INTERVENE AND
Application for a General Rate) WAIVER OF PAPER SERVICE OF THE
Increase) COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP
) OF OREGON (CAPO) AND OREGON
) ENERGY COORDINATORS ASSN.
) (OECA)
)

Pursuant to OAR 860-12-0001 the Community Action Partnership of Oregon and Oregon Energy Coordinators Association petition to intervene in this proceeding. In addition, CAPO and OECA file for a Waiver of Paper Service in this proceeding. In support of this petition, CAPO and OECA represent as follows:

1. The business address of CAPO is:

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- The business address of OECA is:

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2. CAPO and OECA will be represented in this proceeding by Jim Abrahamson, Oregon Energy Partnership (OEP) Coordinator. All documents relating to this proceeding should be served to CAPO and OECA at the following address:

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3. CAPO and OECA are non-profit associations of low-income service agencies across Oregon. These agencies work with over 40,000 low-income utility households a year, approximately one-half of which are current Portland General Electric customers that are attempting to make timely payment of their bills and/or are qualified for low-income weatherization assistance.

4. CAPO and OECA have a substantial interest in the impact of this proposed rate increase on the clients we serve who are also Portland General Electric ratepayers. Additional rate increases threaten to further impact energy affordability for low-income customers and increase service disconnections and collection expenses. It is in the interest of all customers, particularly low-income customers, that Portland General Electric's rates be both fair and reasonable.

5. CAPO and OECA believe that our past experience in intervening in OPUC utility application, such as UM 1209, UM 1121, UM 1283, UE 189, UG 169, our multi-year effort in shaping bill payment assistance programs, in electric restructuring legislation (SB 1149), our ongoing work with Portland General Electric through various weatherization and energy assistance programs, and PGE's participation with us on ACE, OECA and LUSSA committees provide expertise that will assist the Commission in their consideration of this proposed rate increase.

Respectfully submitted, this 19th day
of March, 2008

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 19, 2008 I served a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene and Waiver of Paper Service electronically on all parties listed on the UE 197 service list and upon the Commission by email and by sending 2 copies to the Commission's Salem office .

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