BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION 1 2 OF OREGON UM 1415 3 4 In the Matter of the STAFF UNOPPOSED MOTION TO CLOSE 5 PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF **OREGON** 6 7 Staff Investigation into Cost Methods for Use in Developing Electric Rate Spreads 8 9 DISCUSSION This proceeding was opened as a result of an order in Portland General Electric 10 Company's last rate case, which provided that a general proceeding should be opened to consider 11 the "rate spread and rate design for PGE and its customers." See Order No. 09-020. This formal 12 docket was opened to consider appropriate approaches and methods for establishing the rate 13 spread and rate design for all rate regulated electric utilities in Oregon. 14 The parties have held numerous workshops on rate spread and rate design issues that 15 allowed for a sharing of information and views. While no formal agreements were reached, the 16 workshops were constructive with respect to the issues that were topics of discussion. However, 17 because Portland General Electric and PacifiCorp are filing rate cases in the very near future, the 18 parties have all agreed that this docket should be closed, and specific issues regarding PGE and 19 PacifiCorp would be taken up in their respective dockets. The parties will use the exchange of 20 information and ideas obtained from the workshops to deal with rate spread and rate design 21 issues for the respective utilities in their upcoming rate cases. Staff understands that no party 22 23 opposes the closing of this docket. 24 /// 25 /// 26 /// STAFF UNOPPOSED MOTION TO CLOSE DOCKET Page 1 -

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1	CONCLUSION	
2	For the foregoing reasons, Staff respect	fully requests that docket UM 1415 be closed.
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