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Re: Petition to Intervene, UM 1452

Attention Filing Center:

Please find for filing in UM 1452 an original and one copy of the Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide's petition to intervene in the docket for UM 1452.

This document is also being sent electronically to <u>PUC.FilingCenter@state.or.us</u>.

Thank you in advance.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTIITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

Docket UM 1452

In the Matter of)	
DUDY TO LIMIT TIME COAD (TOOLON))	
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION)	
OF OREGON)	PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
)	Environmental Law Alliance
Investigation into Pilot Programs to)	Worldwide (ELAW)
Demonstrate the use and effectiveness of)	
Volumetric Incentive Rates for Solar)	
Photovoltaic Energy Systems.)	

The Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide (ELAW) petitions to intervene in this proceeding pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 860-012-0001.

I. The name and address of the petitioner:

Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide (ELAW)

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2. The name and address of the attorney or authorized representative of the petitioner:

ELAW will not be represented by an attorney. ELAW will be represented by ELAW staff:

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3. Description of organization – number of members and purpose

ELAW has ten staff members in the United States and partners in approximately 70 countries. The mission of ELAW is to advance environmental law around the world.

4. The nature and extent of petitioner's interest in the proceeding

ELAW has been advocating for Oregon to adopt a strong feed-in tariff (FIT). ELAW helps advocates around the world develop strong renewable energy policies and is interested in helping advance a strong FIT for Oregon. ELAW has been participating in the associated rulemaking docket (AR 538).

5. The issues the petitioner intends to raise at the proceeding

ELAW intends to monitor the proceedings. When appropriate, ELAW will share with the Commission its understanding of what makes a strong FIT. ELAW hopes to share lessons from implementing FITs in Europe with the Commission during throughout the investigation docket.

6. Any special knowledge or expertise of the petitioner that would assist the Commission in resolving the issues in the proceeding

ELAW staff have been studying feed-in tariffs policies, laws and regulations for about three years. ELAW staff member Jennifer Gleason worked with colleagues in the United Kingdom and Germany to analyze the legal basis for the existing FITs and determine what made some FITs more effective than others. Jennifer worked with these colleagues to build the World Future Council website that describes strong FITs (http://www.onlinepact.org). Jennifer is a member of the Steering Committee of the the Alliance for Renewable Energy (ARE), an organization promoting FITs in North America. Through ARE, Jennifer is connected with North America's leading FIT experts.

Jennifer also teaches Energy and the Law at the University of Oregon School of Law.

ELAW has sufficient interest in these proceedings and ELAW's participation in this docket will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceedings.

ELAW waives paper service of documents.

ELAW respectfully requests the Commission or the Administrative Law Judge grant this petition to intervene.

Dated this

day of November, 2009.

Jennifer Gleason ELAW

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on November 13th, 2009, a true and correct copy of the Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide's petition to intervene in PUC docket UM 1452 was served on the parties listed below. Service was by First Class U.S. mail to all parties unless they have waived paper service. Service to parties who waived paper service (indicated by W) was by electronic mail.

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