ISSUED: October 30, 2009

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

UM 1452

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

Investigation into Pilot Programs to demonstrate the use and effectiveness of Volumetric Incentive Rates for Solar Photovoltaic Energy Systems. PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM

DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE ADOPTED

A prehearing conference was held in this matter on October 28, 2009. Appearing at the conference in person were Stephanie Andrus and Maury Galbraith on behalf of the Staff of the Public Utility Commission or Oregon (Staff); J. Richard George on behalf of Portland General Electric Company (PGE); and Lisa Rackner on behalf of Idaho Power Company (Idaho Power). Appearing via telephone were Lisa Nordstrom on behalf of Idaho Power; Ryan Flynn on behalf of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power; G. Catriona McCracken on behalf of the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB); Jennifer Gleason on behalf of the Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide; Mark Pengilly and Judy Barnes on behalf of Oregonians for Renewable Energy Policy; and Jesse Cowell on behalf of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU).

ICNU filed a Petition to Intervene on October 23, 2009. PGE filed a Petition to Intervene on October 27, 2009. CUB filed its Notice of Intervention pursuant to ORS 774.180 on October 23, 2009. The petitions of ICNU and PGE are granted, pending the filing of any timely protests.

During an off-the-record discussion Staff proposed a schedule. Staff's proposed schedule coordinates this proceeding with the companion proceeding, Docket AR 538. No party objected to Staff's proposed schedule. However, I changed the deadline for petitions to intervene. With that change, the following schedule is adopted:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A courtesy copy of this report is being sent to the participants in docket AR 538.

EVENT	DATE
Deadline for petitions to intervene	November 20, 2009
Staff files straw proposal for Feed-In Tariff Design	December 4, 2009
Simultaneous Opening Comments	December 18, 2009
Simultaneous Reply Comments	January 8, 2010
Simultaneous Closing Comments	January 22, 2010
Commission Order (Target date)	February 19, 2010
Utilities Advice Filings for Feed-in Tariffs	March 5, 2010
Commission Public Meeting (tentative)	March 23, 2010
Effective Date of Utilities' Feed-in Tariffs	April 1, 2010

Parties may refer to Commission's website for reference to the Administrative Hearings Division's procedures at: <a href="http://www.puc.state.or.us/PUC/admin">http://www.puc.state.or.us/PUC/admin</a> hearings/guidelines.shtml

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 30th day of October, 2009.

Patrick Power

Administrative Law Judge