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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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RE: Docket UE 230 - Annual Boardman Decommissioning Update - 2014

Filing Center:

On July 5, 2011, Commission Order No. 11-242 approved Portland General Electric's (PGE) request to revise Schedule 145 to adjust depreciation rates related to the planned Boardman plant closure changing from the year 2040 to the year 2020. The provisions of this Order require that PGE submit an annual informational report, beginning June 15, 2012, to all parties in the UE 230 proceeding that includes:

- Current balance of dollars collected for decommissioning; and
- Any relevant changes to PGE forecasts of future decommissioning costs.

Earlier this year, PGE held an informal workshop with parties to discuss its draft retention and reliability plan for Boardman employees. In general, this plan is intended to promote retention and alignment across union and non-union personnel in maintaining operating performance and reliability while keeping a focus on safety and costs. The plan would be paid annually and increase overtime as the closure date nears. PGE has not formalized the details of the reliability plan, but expect it to have the following characteristics:

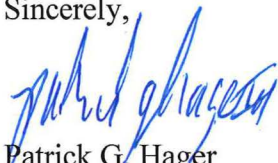
1. The plan includes all active employees (including union) at the time of payment;
2. Potential payments would increase each year to reward tenure;
3. Boardman specific goals with no ties to company earnings; and
4. Measured by four key performance indicators (safety, quality, schedule, budget).

Attachment 1, "2014 Boardman Decommissioning Update," is PGE's informational report. PGE plans to file its Schedule 145 Adjustment update earlier than the required November 1 due date (most likely around September 1) to provide parties additional time to review our proposed Boardman Reliability Plan.

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If you have any questions or require further information, please call me at (503) 464-7580.
Please direct all formal correspondence and requests to the following email address
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Sincerely,



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Attachment 1

2014 Boardman Decommissioning Update

**Portland General Electric
Schedule 145 Boardman Adjustment Update
Boardman Decommissioning Update
2014**

The total collection from customers for future Boardman decommissioning costs as of 5/31/2014 is \$30,429,003 (out of a currently estimated \$54 million). Pursuant to the provisions of Schedule 145, the current monthly decommissioning accrual for the remainder of 2014 is \$355,449.

The Boardman decommissioning cost estimate assumed that the plant will be retired December 31, 2020, at which time the site will be decommissioned. Reflected in the above amounts is an adjustment (Order No. 14-169) increasing PGE's share of decommissioning costs, beginning in 2014, based on PGE's increased ownership share of Boardman. Currently, PGE is reviewing our retention/reliability labor compensation program and we expect to provide new details on this in our Schedule 145 update filing. Additionally, alternative generation scenarios for the site are currently being reviewed and biomass test firing is scheduled for the fall of 2014 and in 2015. If it is determined that the site will be utilized for an alternative generation scenario, the decommissioning estimate will be updated and presented to the Commission. Finally, PGE has requested approval from the Commission on its purchase of Power Resources Cooperative's (PRC) 10% share of Boardman and will incorporate PRC's share of forecasted decommissioning costs into Schedule 145 beginning January 1, 2015, if approved.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused **PGE Annual Boardman Decommissioning Update** to be served by electronic mail to those parties whose email addresses appear on the attached service list for OPUC Docket No. UE 230.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 13th day of JUNE, 2014.



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