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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

Attention: Filing Center
Public Utility Commission of Oregon
201 High Street, Suite 100
P.O. Box 1088
Salem, OR 97308-1088

Re: *In the Matter of PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, Annual Smart Grid Report*
OPUC Docket No.: UM 1657
DOJ File No.: 330030-GN0224-16

Filing Center:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission today is Oregon Department of Energy's PETITION TO INTERVENE in the above-captioned matter.

Sincerely,

for Renee M. France
Senior Assistant Attorney General
Natural Resources Section

Enclosures
RMF:jrs/#7487192
c: Diane Broad, ODOE
Wendy Simons, ODOE

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1657

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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC) PETITION TO INTERVENE
COMPANY)
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Annual Smart Grid Report.)

NAME OF PETITIONER: Oregon Department of Energy (“Department”)

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND
THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION: Not applicable.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING:

The Department has an interest in encouraging planning for smart grid deployment that maximizes opportunities to: improve energy efficiency; increase grid reliability and resiliency; and lower barriers to renewable energy development. This interest is supported by the state's goals, under ORS 469.010, to encourage efficient use of energy resources and the development of a diverse array of sustainable energy sources.

Under ORS 469.030, the Department is statutorily charged with the responsibility to collect, evaluate and disseminate information about energy use in Oregon, including the responsibility to prepare a comprehensive energy plan under ORS 469.060. Under ORS 469.060(3)(c), the department is charged with making "recommendations for state and local governments to assist in the development and maximum use of cost-effective conservation and renewable resources, consistent with the energy policy stated in ORS 469.010." In aid of that responsibility, the Department "may intervene in any proceeding undertaken by an agency for the purpose of expressing its views as to the effect of an agency action, upon state energy resources and state energy policy." (ORS 469.110(2).)

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING:

See description of the Department's interest, above.

NAMES, ELECTRONIC ADDRESSES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND PHYSICAL ADDRESSES OF THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT PETITIONER WOULD LIKE ADDED TO THE SERVICE LIST IN THIS DOCKET: Diane Broad, Oregon Department of Energy, diane.broad@oregon.gov, (503) 378-4035, 625 Marion Street N.E., Salem, OR 97301-3737 and Wendy Simons, Oregon Department of Energy, wendy.simons@oregon.gov, (503) 378-6043, 625 Marion Street N.E., Salem, OR 97301-3737.

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I, or the organization that I represent, will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-001-300

Petitioner hereby agrees to accept service by electronic mail and waives other forms of service.

Matt DeVore #06303
Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

7/14/16
Date