

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UM 1707**

In the Matter of  
  
SIERRA CLUB

Regarding violation of Protective Order No.  
13-095.

Joint Response to Citizens' Utility Board of  
Oregon's Motion for Permission to File  
Briefing Out of Time

Pursuant to OAR 860-001-0420(5), Renewable Northwest and NW Energy Coalition respectfully submit this *Response to Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon's Motion for Permission to File Briefing Out of Time*. Renewable Northwest and NW Energy Coalition each filed a Petition to Intervene in UM 1707 on September 19, 2014.

Renewable Northwest and NW Energy Coalition strongly support the general public interests identified in *Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon's Motion for Permission to File Briefing Out of Time* (hereafter, "CUB's Motion"): (1) transparency of process; (2) importance of discovery practice supporting link between Integrated Resource Plans and rate cases; (3) concerns about over designation of information as confidential; (4) clear understanding of purpose and consequences of General Protective Order; and (5) measured approach to sanctions. The *Brief of the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon* (hereafter, "CUB's Brief") that CUB seeks to file contains cogent explanations of how the issues raised in UM 1707 may affect parties well beyond PacifiCorp and Sierra Club, and how the Commission's ruling in UM 1707 could have far reaching implications for public participation in Commission regulatory proceedings.

CUB's Brief represents an important perspective—one that Renewable NW and NW Energy Coalition share as regular public interest intervenors in Commission proceedings.

Allowing CUB to file its Brief will help the Commission more fully understand the context and consequences of the decisions before it in UM 1707.

For the above reasons, Renewable Northwest and NW Energy Coalition urge the Commission to approve CUB's Motion.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2014.

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