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## *Via Electronic Filing*

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Attn: Filing Center  
201 High St. SE, Suite 100  
Salem OR 97301

Re: PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER  
2017-2021 Renewable Portfolio Standard Implementation Plan  
**Docket No. UM 1790**

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find the Request for Issue Fund Grant and Proposed Budget of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jesse O. Gorsuch  
Jesse O. Gorsuch

Enclosure

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UM 1790**

In the Matter of	)	
	)	
PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER	)	REQUEST FOR ISSUE FUND GRANT
	)	AND PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE
2017-2021 Renewable Portfolio Standard	)	INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF
Implementation Plan.	)	NORTHWEST UTILITIES
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Pursuant to Section 6.3 of the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”) approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) in Order No. 15-335 (October 20, 2015), the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (“ICNU”) files this Proposed Budget in UM 1754 (the “Proceeding”) seeking an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$5,000. ICNU proposes that this grant be funded from the 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account.

**(1) Statement of the work to be performed by ICNU for which ICNU is seeking the Issue Fund Grant:**

ICNU has retained Davison Van Cleve, P.C. to represent ICNU in UM 1790. PacifiCorp filed its revised 2017-2021 Renewable Portfolio Standard (“RPS”) Implementation Plan on July 15, 2016. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as “any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities. . . .” IFA, Section 1(c). UM 1754 directly affects PacifiCorp, which falls under the definition of “Participating Public Utility” in Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, UM 1790 is an Eligible Proceeding and an Issue Fund Grant may be made for this proceeding under Section 6.1 of the IFA.

ICNU will attend clarifying sessions, workshops, conferences, public meetings, and oral presentations in UM 1790, and will conduct discovery, as necessary. ICNU will retain

an expert witness to review the filing and assist in submitting any comments. In addition, Portland General Electric Company currently has a Revised 2016 RPS Implementation Plan pending in UM 1788, and any ICNU work that could address both filings will be equally split between the cases.

**(2) Description of the areas to be investigated by ICNU:**

ICNU intends to investigate PacifiCorp's plan to meet its RPS requirements in the years 2017-2021 with bundled renewable energy certificates ("RECs") from existing Oregon-eligible resources and RECs from resources under development that are anticipated to be Oregon RPS-eligible, as well as other issues related to the filing.

**(3) Description of the particular customer class or classes that will benefit from ICNU's participation:**

ICNU's participation will directly benefit industrial customers who take service from PacifiCorp, as well as other PacifiCorp customers.

**(4) Identification of the specific Fund account from which ICNU is seeking the Issue Fund Grant:**

ICNU is seeking an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$5,000 from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account, established under IFA Section 4.2.3. ICNU will bear the cost of its anticipated participation to the extent that costs exceed the amount of the Proposed Budget. ICNU estimates that the amount available in the 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account is \$35,105.03.

**(5) Budget showing estimated attorney and consultant fees and expert witness fees:**

Attached as Exhibit A is ICNU's Proposed Budget. The Proposed Budget details the expected hours and hourly rates of ICNU's attorneys and expert. The Proposed Budget was developed based on the costs ICNU incurred in previous cases.

**(6) Matching Funds**

As required by Section 6.3(f) of the IFA, ICNU represents that it will use matching funds in the form of either in-house resources or outside funding to account for or pay at least 20% of the Eligible Expenses for which ICNU is seeking an Issue Fund Grant. ICNU's proposed budget assumes that the case will end with a public meeting within 120 days of the implementation plan filing date. Actual expenses could be lower depending upon any early agreement by the parties; if the scope of the case is expanded, ICNU reserves the right to submit a revised budget.

**Basis for Request**

ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission grant its request for this Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$5,000, based on the following considerations:

1. The incremental costs of compliance with renewable standards could rise significantly, and all incremental costs are included in PacifiCorp's rates paid by ICNU members who are customers of PacifiCorp.
2. ICNU will audit and review PacifiCorp's Implementation Plan filing for compliance with relevant statutory and Commission rule requirements.
3. ICNU represents the interests of industrial customers and has significant experience participating in Commission proceedings involving PacifiCorp. ICNU's participation will benefit PacifiCorp industrial customers, as well as other customers of PacifiCorp.
4. Pursuant to Commission Order No. 03-502, entered on August 21, 2003, ICNU has been precertified under Sections 5.1 and 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-001-0120(3)(b) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.

Therefore, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order granting an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$5,000. ICNU prepared the attached budget on the basis of costs incurred in previous cases.

Dated this 12th day of August, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **Exhibit A**

## **Proposed Budget of ICNU**

UM 1790

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ICNU Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant

Personnel	Hours	Rate	Cost
<i>Attorney Fees</i>			
Attorney	8	\$265	\$2,120
Paralegal	10	\$170	\$1,700
<i>Expert Witness Fees</i>			
Expert 1	15	\$160	\$2,400
<i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing and Postage			\$30
Subtotal			\$6,250
20% of ICNU Funded Expenditures			\$1,250
<b>Total ICNU Issue Fund Request</b>			<b>\$5,000</b>