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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

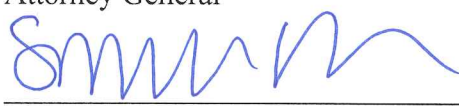
UM 1791

In the Matter of
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY,
Application for Deferral of Incremental
Revenue Requirement Associated with the
Carty Generating Station

STAFF'S STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to Administrative Law Judge Arlow's October 23, 2017 Prehearing Conference Report and Ruling, Staff submits a status report on behalf of the parties in docket UM 1791. Following the prehearing conference, Staff determined that concerns over whether and how costs related to capital investments may be deferred pursuant to ORS 757.259 are best addressed in a generic investigation, rather than a declaratory ruling proceeding. Staff has discussed its position with the other parties to this proceeding, and no party objects to a generic investigation to address the legal issues Staff has raised. Staff anticipates requesting the Commission open the investigation at an upcoming public meeting. Assuming the Commission decides to open the investigation, the parties will ask for a prehearing conference to set a schedule in the investigation proceeding.

DATED this 31st day of October, 2017.

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