

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1811

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Application for Transportation
Electrification Programs.

RULING

DISPOSITION: RULING AFFIRMED

ChargePoint, Inc., objects to the request of eMeter, a Siemens Company (Siemens) to permit its witness, Chris King, to participate by telephone in the hearing scheduled in this matter. As Siemens notes in its request, Mr. King has a business conflict the afternoon of the hearing in Washington, D.C.

ChargePoint requests 30 minutes to cross-examine Mr. King on the issues of utility ownership of electric vehicle service equipment, as well as the size, structure, and scope of the proposed Electric Avenue program. ChargePoint states that if Mr. King were to be cross-examined by telephone, the Administrative Law Judge and the Commissioners may be handicapped in their ability to evaluate Mr. King's responses and would have no assurance that Mr. King was speaking solely based on his own personal knowledge.

I earlier granted Siemens' request to have Mr. King testify by telephone subject to objections, and affirm that ruling here. The scope of Mr. King's testimony is limited. Siemens is not a party to the joint stipulation that ChargePoint opposes, but rather intervened after the stipulation was filed. Although it is preferable to have a witness appear in person, I find that cross-examination via telephone is acceptable in this instance given the nature of these proceedings, the length of time reserved for cross-examination, and the outlying role of Mr. King in these proceedings.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2017, at Salem, Oregon.



Ruth Harper
Administrative Law Judge

