

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 319

In the Matter of)	
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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY,)	CUB REQUEST FOR AN
)	ISSUE FUND GRANT &
Request for a General Rate Revision.)	PROPOSED BUDGET
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The Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (“CUB”) estimates eligible expenses of \$7,500 before the 20% match, and requests a grant of \$6,000 from the 2017 PGE Issue Fund. CUB has been tracking its participation in this docket by hours and activity.

CUB is pre-certified per OAR 860-012-0100(3)(a). UE 319 is an eligible proceeding under the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”), as approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission in Order No. 15-335, entered October 20, 2015. The proceeding directly affects PGE, which is a participating public utility under the IFA. *See* IFA at Article 1(k). CUB filed its Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant on February 28, 2017, as required by the IFA (Article 6.2). CUB respectfully requests a waiver of the requirement to file its proposed budget by April 28, 2017, per Chief Kirkpatrick and Chief Harper’s March 15, 2017 prehearing conference memorandum.¹

Pursuant to paragraph 6.3 of the IFA, the proposed budget must identify certain points of information. CUB provides the information below.

(a) Statement of Work to Be Performed: CUB intends to participate in every procedural aspect of this case. CUB participated in the pre-hearing conference. We will attend, either in person or by phone, and participate in all or most workshops, settlement meetings, hearings, and any Commission presentations. We will review and analyze PGE’s testimony and briefs.

¹ CUB requests waiver of IFA Article 6.3, which requires any potential intervenor seeking an Issue Fund Grant to file its issue fund budget request within thirty days after the prehearing conference. Because funds were not available in the PGE Issue Fund until recently, CUB does not believe that any party would be harmed by the delay between the date CUB filed its notice of intervention and the date that it filed its issue fund budget request.

We will review and analyze testimony and briefs filed by other parties. We will pursue discovery of PGE through data requests, and we will respond to data requests asked of us. We will file testimony and briefs, and present our recommendations to the Commission, including any proposed modifications or conditions.

(b) Description of Areas to Be Investigated: CUB will investigate issues including, but not limited to:

1. Prudence of capital investments
2. Marginal cost study and cost allocation
3. Power costs
4. Issues raised by other parties

(c) Description of the Class or Classes Benefiting from CUB's Participation:

CUB represents the interests of PGE's residential customers, though other customer classes may benefit from many aspects of our participation.

(d) The Fund from Which CUB Seeks an Issue Fund Grant & Available Funds: CUB is seeking a \$6,000 grant from the 2017 PGE Issue Fund. CUB's budget shows eligible expenses of \$7,500, but CUB limits its request in this case to \$6,000. CUB respectfully requests that the Commission approve CUB's request for a \$6,000 grant from the 2017 PGE Issue Fund.

(e) The Budget Showing Estimated Fees and Costs: CUB's budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

(f) A Representation of the Use of Matching Funds: The budget and an accounting for the use of matching funds accompany this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 18th day of October, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Jenks
Executive Director
Oregon Citizens' Utility Board

CUB Proposed Budget -- UE 319

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	10.00	\$2,500.00
Will Gehrke, Economist	\$225	10.00	\$2,250.00
Liz Jones, Staff Attorney	\$175	13.00	\$2,275.00
Sarah Ryan-Knox, Paralegal	\$75	5.00	\$375.00
<i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing, Mailing & Travel			\$100.00
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In-House Resources			
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$1,500)
Total			\$6,000