

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
COMPANY,)	OBSIDIAN RENEWABLES, LLC
)	
Request to Update its Schedule 201 and)	
<u>Standard Power Purchase Agreements</u>)	

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-001-0300, Obsidian Renewables, LLC (“Obsidian”) petitions the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (“Commission”) to intervene as a party for the sole purposes of filing an objection to PGE’s Motion to Lift the Stay. Obsidian waives paper service of all non-confidential filings. In support of this petition, Obsidian provides the following information:

1. The name and address of the Obsidian Intervenor is:

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3. Obsidian is an Oregon limited liability company that is in the business of developing renewable power generating facilities, particularly solar photovoltaic generating

facilities. Many of Obsidian’s solar projects are qualifying facilities (“QFs”) under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (“PURPA”). Obsidian also develops projects that are not QFs.

4. For the forgoing reasons, Obsidian has a direct interest in the Commission’s PURPA policies. Obsidian understands that PGE filed this contested case proceeding for the purposes of seeking changes to the Commission’s PURPA contracting policies. Obsidian contends that the appropriate forum for the Commission to establish PURPA contracting policies is through a rulemaking. Obsidian therefore seeks party status in this proceeding for the limited purpose of filing comments in opposition to PGE’s Motion to Lift the Stay.

5. Obsidian’s interest in this proceeding is not adequately represented by any other party. Obsidian has participated in other Commission proceedings. Obsidian’s participation in this proceeding will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay this proceeding.

6. It is therefore in the public interest to allow Obsidian to intervene in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, Obsidian respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition to intervene with full party status in this proceeding.

DATED this 19th day of January, 2021.

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