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Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Attn: Filing Center  
201 High Street SE  
P.O. Box 1088  
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**RE: Advice No. 16-08, Schedules 7 and 32, Interest Accrued on Renewable Development Fund**

Portland General Electric Company (PGE) submits this filing pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 757.205 and 757.210, and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 860-022-0025 for filing proposed tariff sheets associated with Tariff P.U.C. No. 18, with a requested effective date of **July 6, 2016**:

Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 7-2  
Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 32-2

This advice filing clarifies the interest rate that applies to the Renewable Development Fund (RDF), formerly known as the Clean Wind Development Fund, created by contributions from residential and small commercial customers who participate in PGE's renewable portfolio option. The Schedule 7 and 32 Schedules are being updated to further clarify that the interest rate applied to the RDF is the interest rate that applies to deferred accounts *in amortization*. The current language states that the interest rate is the same as applies to deferred accounts, which is ambiguous. This clarification is supported by the policy reasons articulated in OPUC Orders 06-507 and 08-263<sup>1</sup>.

Secondly, references to Tradable Renewable Credits (TRCs) were changed to Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs). PGE recently filed a Housekeeping filing and inadvertently missed these corrections.

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<sup>1</sup> The rate of return should be commensurate with the financial risks of the Fund. Risk is reduced following amortization. The Commission has already approved amortization consistent with terms and conditions in PGE's current Schedules (7 and 32) which state, "Amounts in the fund **will be disbursed** by the Company to . . . projects . . ." There is no risk that the RDF funds will not be disbursed, i.e. amortized, as grants to renewable resource projects.

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To satisfy the requirements of OAR 860-022-0025, PGE responds as follows:

There is no price or rate increase being proposed with this filing; therefore, OAR 860-022-0030 does not apply to this filing. The proposed change adds clarity to the interest rate that applies. No specific customers are affected by the change. The RDF results from voluntary customer contributions to the Fund. Amounts in the Fund are disbursed to public renewable resource demonstration projects according to guidelines reviewed by the Commission.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Karla Wenzel at (503) 464-8718.

Please direct all formal correspondence and requests to the following email address [pge.opuc.filings@pqn.com](mailto:pge.opuc.filings@pqn.com)

Sincerely,



Karla Wenzel  
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Enclosures

**SCHEDULE 7 (Continued)**

MONTHLY RATE (Continued)

Renewable Portfolio Options

(available upon enrollment in either Energy Charge option)

Renewable Usage Option	0.800	¢ per kWh in addition to Energy Charge
Renewable Fixed Option	\$2.50	per month per block
Renewable Solar Option	\$5.00	per unit in addition to Energy Charge
Renewable Habitat Adder <sup>(*)</sup>	\$2.50	per month

\* Only Customers who are enrolled in a Renewable Portfolio Option (Renewable Usage, Renewable Fixed or Renewable Solar Options described herein) may choose the Renewable Habitat Adder.

**RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO OPTIONS**

The Customer will be charged for the Renewable Portfolio Option in addition to all other charges under this schedule for the term of enrollment in the Renewable Portfolio Option.

Renewable Fixed Option

The Company will purchase 200 kWhs of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) and/or renewable energy per block enrolled in the Fixed Renewable Option. All RECs purchased under this option will come from new renewable resources. (T)

The Company will also place \$1.50 of the amount received from Customers enrolled in the Fixed Renewable Option in a new renewable resources development and demonstration fund. Amounts in the fund will be disbursed by the Company to public renewable resource demonstration projects or projects which commit to supply energy according to a contractually established timetable. The Company will report to the Commission annually by April 1<sup>st</sup> for the preceding calendar year on collections and disbursements. The fund will accrue interest at the Commission-authorized rate for deferred accounts in amortization. (C)  
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Renewable Usage Option

All amounts received from the Customer under the Renewable Usage Option less administrative fees will be used to acquire RECs and/or renewable energy all of which will come from new renewable resources.

**SCHEDULE 32 (Continued)**

MONTHLY RATE (Continued)

Renewable Portfolio Options

(available upon enrollment in either Energy Charge option)

Renewable Usage	0.800	¢ per kWh in addition to Energy Charge
Renewable Fixed	\$2.50	per month per block
Renewable Solar	\$5.00	per unit in addition to Energy Charge
Renewable Habitat Adder <sup>(*)</sup>	\$2.50	per month

\* Only Customers who are enrolled in a Renewable Portfolio Option (Renewable Usage or Renewable Fixed or Renewable Solar Portfolio Options described herein) may choose the Renewable Habitat Portfolio Option Adder.

**RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO OPTIONS**

The Customer will be charged for the Renewable Portfolio Option in addition to all other charges under this schedule for the term of enrollment in the Renewable Portfolio Option.

Renewable Fixed Option

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