

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

Docket No. PCN 2

In the Matter of

TILLAMOOK PEOPLE’S UTILITY  
DISTRICT,

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC  
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

OREGON FARM BUREAU AND  
OREGON DAIRY FARMERS  
ASSOCIATION’S RESPONSE TO  
STAFF’S MOTION TO MODIFY  
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Pursuant to OAR 860-001-0420 and Administrative Law Judge Power’s (ALJ's) April 5, 2018 ruling, the Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB) and Oregon Dairy Farmers Association (ODFA) file this response to Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon’s (“Staff”) motion to modify the procedural schedule in this docket (“Motion”). OFB and ODFA support the Motion and believe that delaying the hearing on this docket until after such time as the County issues its land use decision promotes efficient use of resources and respects the County’s role in deciding whether this project has met the required conditions for siting approval.

As we have indicated before, there are significant questions as to whether Tillamook PUC will be granted local land use approval for this project. Until the required conditional use permit is approved by Tillamook County, the PUC cannot determine compatibility with the applicable Statewide Planning Goals or the Tillamook County Comprehensive Plan. Tillamook PUD is not guaranteed land use approval, and we continue to believe that its application should not be granted absent such approval. Requiring the parties to proceed with a hearing before the County has addressed the land use approval wastes time, resources, and energy when all parties acknowledge land use approval is necessary before the project may proceed and is a condition of the PUC process.

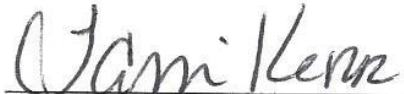
As such, we urge the PUC to grant the Motion.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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