

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1565

In the Matter of)	
)	REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT
)	OF THE CITIZENS' UTILITY
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF)	BOARD OF OREGON
OREGON)	
)	
Investigation of Fuel Switching and Cross)	
Fuel Energy Efficiency Issues)	
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Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), which was adopted in Order No. 07-564, the Citizens' Utility Board submits this final request for payment of \$7,322 of eligible expenses in docket UM 1565 from the Avista and Cascade Issues Funds.¹ CUB is automatically precertified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

On January 25, 2012, CUB filed a proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant in this proceeding, seeking a collective issue grant in the amount of \$14,780, to be split among Avista (\$3,695), Cascade (\$3,695) and NW Natural (\$7,390). The Commission approved CUB's request on February 1, 2012 in Order No. 12-029.

Under Section 7.3 of the Agreement, each Issue Fund Grant Request for Payment must:

- (a) Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed;*
- (b) Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget;*
- (c) Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any condition or requirement of the Issue Fund Grant, including, but not limited to, documentation sufficient to show that the intervenor has satisfied the matching fund requirement (i) set forth in Section 6.5 above or (ii) as the Commission may establish as a*

¹ In its original budget request in this docket, approved by the Commission in Order No. 12-029, CUB sought an Issue Fund Grant from NW Natural in addition to grants from Avista and Cascade. As noted below, CUB is requesting the release of its requested funds in this docket for use in NW Natural's general rate case (docket UG 221).

reasonable condition on Issue Fund Grants, whichever applies; and

- (d) Specify whether the request for payment is for a progress payment or final payment in full and indicate whether any approved budget amount may be released back to the applicable Issue Fund because the intervenor does not intend to request payment for the full approved budget amount.*
- (a) Confidential Attachment A contains a summary of CUB's expenses in this case. Confidential Attachment B provides a list of CUB activities by date and Intervenor Funding Task Category, as well as CUB's mailing and travel expenses. Confidential Attachment C breaks out each CUB staff member's time by Intervenor Funding Task Category.
- (b) The expenses incurred are reasonable and directly attributable to the issues and positions CUB addressed in UM 1565 on behalf of residential customers. In support of this assertion, we supply Confidential Attachments A, B, C, which show CUB's expenses to date.
- (c) That CUB has satisfied the matching fund requirement is demonstrated in Confidential Attachment A, the summary of CUB's expenses. Order No. 12-029 did not include any additional conditions beyond those anticipated in the Agreement.
- (d) This is a final payment request. CUB requests that the remaining funds in this docket be released to each utility's respective issue fund. CUB intends to amend its budget in NW Natural's general rate case (docket UG 221) to include the \$7,390 of unclaimed NW Natural issue funds from this docket.

In this filing, CUB requests the final payment of our costs in UM 1565 amounting to \$7,322. See Confidential Attachment A, CUB Expense Summary. The attached documents should allow the Commission to track the time spent on the elements of the case, and we believe that this filing meets the requirements of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,



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Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

Enc. Confidential Attachments A, B, C

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UM 1565 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 30th day of November, 2012, I served the foregoing **REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT OF THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON** in docket UM 1565 and upon the Commission by email and by sending one original and one copy by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the Commission's Salem offices.

(W denotes waiver of paper service)
(HC denotes highly confidential)

(C denotes service of Confidential material authorized)

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