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RE: AWEC Request for Payment of 2020 Preauthorized Matching Grant, PGE  
Account, Docket No. UM 1929

Dear Ms. Davis and Mr. Tinker:

The Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (“AWEC”) files this request for payment in the amount of \$25,430.47 for its 2020 Preauthorized Matching Fund Grant from Portland General Electric Company’s (“PGE”) Preauthorized Matching Fund Account<sup>1/</sup>. This request for payment is filed pursuant to Section 7.2 of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) by Order No. 18-017 (January 17, 2018). The Commission’s rules provide that the terms of a Commission-approved intervenor funding agreement will be binding on all organizations seeking a grant under the agreement and will be followed by the Commission in administering the agreement. OAR § 860-001-0120(2).

AWEC meets all of the criteria for payment of a Preauthorized Matching Grant from the PGE Preauthorized Matching Fund Account, as demonstrated by the following:

1. The current balance in PGE’s Preauthorized Matching Fund Account for use by AWEC for 2020 is \$103,111.08. Under the IFA, PGE has made available an Annual Grant Amount of \$72,738, which shall be increased by 3% each year, and which is added to PGE’s Preauthorized Matching Fund Account each calendar year during the term of the IFA. IFA at § 4.2. Prior to this filing, AWEC made a Request for Payment from PGE’s Preauthorized

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<sup>1/</sup> AWEC’s request for payment includes eligible expenses incurred from March 2020 through August 2020.

Matching Fund Grant for Eligible Expenses incurred from September 1, 2019 through February 28, 2020. In addition, AWEC intends to file another Request for Payment for a PGE Preauthorized Matching Fund Grant by April 1, 2021, which will include additional eligible expenses incurred in 2020 that are not covered by this request. IFA at § 7.2. Funds from PGE's Preauthorized Matching Fund Account are available for use exclusively by AWEC. IFA at § 4.2.2.

2. A Preauthorized Matching Fund Grant from the PGE Account must be used solely to pay Eligible Expenses for Eligible Proceedings involving PGE. IFA at § 4.2.2. Each of the proceedings listed in Confidential Exhibit A is an Eligible Proceeding involving PGE. The amounts included in this request are in excess of any amounts included in requests for Issue Fund payments, including AWEC's 20% Issue Fund matching contribution. Accordingly, AWEC requests payment of the Preauthorized Matching Grant for the expenses listed in Confidential Exhibit A, attached, which are Eligible Expenses under Section 7.4 of the IFA. Confidential Exhibit A is confidential pursuant to Section 7.2 of the IFA and is subject to the General Protective Order in Docket No. UM 1929. Order No. 19-116.

3. A Preauthorized Matching Grant may be provided only if AWEC demonstrates that it has used in-house resources or outside funding for at least 35% of the Eligible Expenses for an Eligible Proceeding. IFA at § 7.2. As shown in Confidential Exhibit A, AWEC has used in-house resources and outside funding for at least 35% of the Eligible Expenses for the Eligible Proceedings listed in Confidential Exhibit A.

4. Section 4.2.2 of the original IFA required that AWEC become precertified (in accordance with Section 5.2 of the original IFA) within one year of the effective date of the original IFA in order to be eligible to receive a Preauthorized Matching Grant. AWEC became precertified as eligible to receive intervenor funding grants under Section 5.2 of the original IFA pursuant to Order No. 03-502, entered by the Commission on August 21, 2003.<sup>2/</sup>

Having demonstrated that it meets all of the criteria and conditions for such request, AWEC requests payment of the Preauthorized Matching Grant from PGE's Preauthorized Matching Fund Account in the amount of \$25,430.47. AWEC requests that the Commission grant this request within 30 days of receipt and order PGE to pay AWEC the amount of \$25,430.47 within 30 days after receipt of the Commission directive, in accordance with Section 7.2 of the IFA. AWEC requests that the Commission treat Exhibit A as confidential.

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<sup>2/</sup> AWEC was originally precertified as the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU"). Under the Fourth IFA, ICNU is defined to include "any successor organization, provided that the organization continues to meet the requirements for precertification ...."

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Payment should be made to “Alliance of Western Energy Consumers” and should be sent to:

Alliance of Western Energy Consumers  
c/o Tyler C. Pepple  
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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Tyler C. Pepple  
Tyler C. Pepple

Enclosure