BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

In the Matter of PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Docket No. PCN 6

PETITION TO INTERVENE

Save Stafford Road

Petitioner Save Stafford Road ("Petitioner") petitions to intervene in the above-entitled proceeding. In support of the Petition, the following is provided:

1. The contact information of the Petitioner to be included on the service list are:

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Ed Wagner, Secretary Save Stafford Road 21956 SW Stafford Road Tualatin, OR 97062 edawagner@gmail.com 2. The Petitioner will be represented by legal counsel in this proceeding. The contact information for Petitioner's legal counsel to be included on the service list is:

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3. Petitioner is an Oregon non-profit corporation with a total of 50 members. The members of Save Stafford Road live on or near Stafford Road in Clackamas County and will be impacted by Portland General Electric Company's ("PGE") proposed Tonquin Project that is the subject matter of its Petition for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Docket No. PCN 6). Petitioner's purpose to Intervene is to learn and understand the scope and nature of the proposed Tonquin Project, how it may potentially affect Petitioner's members, and to ensure that PGE is compliant with all Clackamas County, State of Oregon, or Federal requirements regarding the Tonquin Project. See attached Exhibit A, Petitioner's list of members.

- 4. The nature and extent of the Petitioner's interest in this proceeding is to assist the Commission in determining the necessity, safety, practicability, and justification in the public interest of the proposed transmission line, consistent with the criteria codified in Commission Order No. 22-351: "CPCN Review Criteria".
- 5. The preliminary issues identified by Petitioner, based on the limited publicly available information included in PGE's application for a CPCN permit, are as follows:
- A. PGE has not demonstrated a need for additional capacity or improved system reliability and more importantly whether the proposed Tonquin Project meets the hypothesized need.
- B. PGE has not justified construction of the proposed Tonquin Project as in the public interest as compared with feasible alternatives, given that PGE has failed to evaluate non-wires alternatives such as demand response, distributed generation, battery storage, and the construction of one or more lower-voltage single or multi-circuit lines, all of which are required by OAR 860-025-0030(2)(n).

- C. PGE has not identified the sources of energy related to the proposed Tonquin Project as required by OAR 860-025-0030(2)(c)(E).
- D. PGE has not provided a complete estimate of both already incurred and forecasted costs of developing the proposed Tonquin Project as required by OAR 860-025-0030(2)(d).
- E. PGE has not provided cost estimates for already incurred costs of the proposed Tonquin Project and has not provided any cost estimates associated with expansion of the Rosemont and Wilsonville substations.
- F. PGE claims, without evidence, that the Rosemont-Wilsonville line is a "critical" element of the larger proposed Tonquin Project yet provides no substantive information on the already incurred and forecasted costs of the proposed Tonquin Project.
- G. PGE has not accurately estimated the levelized annual revenue requirement of the proposed Tonquin Project as a percentage of its estimated annual revenue requirement as required by OAR 860-025-0030(2)(j).
- H. PGE's Revenue Requirement calculation only addresses the revenue requirement associated with the Rosemont to Page 4 PETITION TO INTERVENE

Wilsonville transmission line and fails to account for the revenue requirements associated with the terminal substations (Rosemont and Wilsonville) nor does PGE provide revenue requirements associated with the incurred and forecasted costs of the larger proposed Tonquin Project.

- I. PGE inappropriately estimates the levelized annual revenue requirement as a percentage of PGE's power and distribution revenue requirement by reference to PGE's most recent General Rate Case which is inappropriate and misleading. The costs of PGE's proposed transmission line and much larger Tonquin Project will be included in PGE's transmission revenue requirement which is under jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. PGE recently notified the Commission in Docket No. UE 435 that PGE intends to file a new Transmission Rate Case at FERC later this year.
- J. Petitioner intends to file an Objection to PGE's Request for a Waiver of OAR 860-025-0030(3) that was filed on April 17, 2024, if Petitioner's Petition to Intervene is granted by the Commission. OAR 860-025-0030(3) requires PGE to provide documentation of any required land use approvals when it files its Petition for a CPCN. Here, PGE is required to have Clackamas County land use approval of its request for an Alteration of Page 5 PETITION TO INTERVENE

a Non-Conforming Use. As will be explained in Petitioner's Objection, it is unlikely that PGE will be able to meet its burden of proof justifying an Alteration of its Non-Conforming existing poles and transmission lines. As a result, any Waiver of this requirement would be inappropriate under the circumstances. Petitioner respectfully requests the Commission to not grant PGE's Waiver Request until Petitioner has an opportunity to address this issue.

- 6. The Petitioner will have special knowledge that will assist the Commission in resolving the issues in this proceeding. The Petitioner intends to retain the services of an industry consultant with the skills and experience required to evaluate PGE's compliance with the technical requirements of PGE's filing, including PGE's Highly Confidential Information associated with specifying and interpreting the results of power flow analyses, load forecasting, integrated resource planning, and WECC reliability criteria and planning protocols.
- 7. Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, Petitioner respectfully requests the right to participate in this proceeding as an Intervenor. Petitioner

represents that it will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-001-0300.

Dated this 2nd day of May 2024.

SAVE STAFFORD ROAD

By: <u>/s/ John Lekas</u> John Lekas, President

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