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Oregon Public Utility Commission
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Re: Public Utility Commission Legislative Report to Comply with
HB 2893 Solar Incentives
Docket No. UM-1673

Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original and (1) copy of Obsidian Renewables LLC's Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,


Richard Lorenz

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Enclosures

cc: UM-1673 Service List

4827-9286-6068, v. 1

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1673

In the Matter of)	
)	PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF)	OBSIDIAN RENEWABLES, LLC
OREGON,)	
)	
Report to the Legislature on Effectiveness)	
of Incentive Programs for Solar)	
Photovoltaic Energy)	

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-001-0300(2), Obsidian Renewables, LLC (“Obsidian”) petitions the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (“Commission”) to intervene with full party status as described in OAR § 860-001-0010(7). Obsidian waives paper service of all non-confidential filings. Obsidian requests expedited consideration of its Petition to Intervene. In support of this petition, Obsidian provides the following information:

1. The name and address of Obsidian Intervenor is:

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3. Obsidian is an Oregon limited liability company that is in the business of developing renewable power generating facilities, particularly solar photovoltaic generating facilities.

4. Obsidian has a direct interest in the development of solar generation in Oregon.

5. The Oregon Legislature passed HB 2893, which directs the Commission to study the effectiveness of programs that provide incentives for the use of solar photovoltaic systems. The Commission opened this docket to comply with its obligations under HB 2893.

6. ORS § 756.525(2) allows any person to seek permission to appear and participate prior to the final taking of evidence. This Commission is still taking comments from stakeholders in this docket. It is well before the final evidence is taken.

7. Obsidian has a substantial interest in this proceeding that is not adequately represented by any other party. Obsidian's interest in this proceeding may be affected by any Commission determination made in connection with these proceedings.

8. It is in the public interest to allow Obsidian to intervene in this proceeding.

9. Obsidian also respectfully requests expedited consideration of this Petition to Intervene such that Obsidian has full party status at the earliest possible date.

WHEREFORE, Obsidian respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition to intervene with full party status in this proceeding.

DATED this 15th day of January, 2014.

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I hereby certify that I caused to be served the foregoing **PETITION TO INTERVENE OF OBSIDIAN RENEWABLES, LLC** via electronic mail and, where paper service is not waived, via postage-paid first class mail upon the following parties of record:

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