To:

Oregon Public Utility Commissioners

From:

Jim Poplack

Date:

September 22, 2014

Subject:

Docket # UM1538

Request for Waiver of Rules

I am requesting a waiver of rules to allow my reinstatement into PGE's Feed-in-Tariff program. Working with the solar contractor DPI Solar, I applied for, and was accepted into, the PGE Feed-in-Tariff program at the beginning of April 2014. DPI completed and electronically sent the PGE Interconnection Agreement to me to print out and sign on April 16th. I printed the document and thought I had submitted it. Having believed all was in order, we went ahead with installation of the solar panels and invertor in late August. It was not until after the installation was completed and DPI requested PGE inspect and meter the system did I learn the Interconnection Agreement had not been signed. I was stunned. Certainly, it was my responsibility to get the signed agreement to PGE on a timely basis. However, I thought I had done that. It was entirely an oversight on my part. That I continued to pursue the purchase and installation of the solar system, I hope, demonstrates that I believed I had already completed all necessary paperwork for the Feed-in-Tariff program. All other paperwork needed by PGE was completed and submitted; only the Interconnection Agreement remained. I very much want to be a partner in PGE's solar program, and respectfully request a waiver of rules to allow me to sign the Interconnection Agreement now.