PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT

PUBLIC MEETING DATE: September 27, 2016

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SUBJECT: PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC: (Docket No. UM 1631) Application for

Waiver of OAR 860-038-0300(10) Requiring Electric Companies and

Electricity Service Suppliers to File Reconciliation Reports.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission grant Portland General Electric's (PGE) application for waiver of OAR 860-038-0300(10).

DISCUSSION:

Issue

Whether the Commission should grant PGE's request for a waiver of the filing date for the annual reconciliation report.

Applicable Rule

On September 1, 2016, PGE filed a request for two-week extension of the filing date for the Company's 2015 Electricity Product Claim Reconciliation Report (2015 Reconciliation Report), as required under OAR 860-038-0300(10). This rule specifies:

"By September 1, each electric company and each electricity service supplier making any claim other than unspecified market purchase mix must file a reconciliation report for the prior calendar year on forms prescribed by the Commission. The report must provide a comparison of the power source mix and emissions of all of the seller's certificates, purchase or generation with the claimed power source mix and emissions of all of the seller's products and sales."

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Background and Conclusion

PGE provided informal notice to Staff prior to the September 1 due date that the report would be delayed. In the September 1 transmittal letter, PGE states that the delay is due to "unanticipated workloads and the absence of key people."

The annual reconciliation reports provide a summary of the renewable energy certificates acquired by the utility on behalf of its voluntary renewable program customers. Staff conducts a brief review of these reports, and no further action is required unless anomalies are discovered.

Given that there is no impact on Staff or to PGE customers, Staff concludes that the two-week extension is reasonable, and that PGE should receive an after-the-fact waiver of OAR 860-038-0300(10).

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

PGE's application for a waiver of OAR 860-038-0300(10) be granted.

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