

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UE 319

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC  
COMPANY,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: RESPONSES TO MOTION TO CANCEL HEARING AND MODIFY  
BRIEFING SCHEDULE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 12, 2017; MOTION  
GRANTED PENDING NO OBJECTIONS**

On September 11, 2017, Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon filed a motion asking the Commission to cancel the hearing scheduled for September 15, 2017. Staff asks that the Commission limit the period for filing responses to the motion to 24 hours.

Staff indicates that it conferred with the other parties that filed testimony, including: Portland General Electric Company; the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities; the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board; Fred Meyer Stores; and Walmart, and all expressly agree to waive cross-examination. Staff states that it notified all parties to the proceeding and no party has objected. Staff concludes that there is no reason to hold the hearing, unless the Commission wishes to examine witnesses, and asks that the hearing be cancelled on an expedited basis.


The motion also requests modifications to the procedural schedule to allow for two rounds of simultaneous briefs, instead of serial briefing:

Date	Current Event Due	Proposed Event <u>Due</u>
September 29, 2017	PGE files opening brief	All parties file opening briefs
October 12, 2017	Staff and Intervenors file response briefs	No filings due
October 20, 2017	PGE files reply brief	All parties file closing briefs

Staff indicates that the parties having filed testimony on the remaining issue in dispute support the request for a modified briefing schedule.

I agree to address the motion on an expedited basis. Parties are directed to file any response to the motion by 5:00 p.m. on September 12, 2017. If no objection is filed, the motion should be considered granted.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017, at Salem, Oregon.



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Traci Kirkpatrick  
Administrative Law Judge