

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1683

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

2015-2019 Renewable Portfolio Standard
Implementation Plan.

RULING

DISPOSITION: WAIVER OF OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a) GRANTED

On June 13, 2014, Portland General Electric Company (PGE) and Commission Staff¹ jointly filed a stipulation and request for waiver of OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a), the rule which requires that stipulations filed with the Commission be supported either by testimony or brief.

In support of the motion to waive the filing requirement with respect to the stipulation covering PGE's 2015-2019 Renewable Portfolio Standard Implementation Plan (RPIP), the parties state that there is no disagreement with respect to the accuracy or substance of the 2015-2019 RPIP and that conditions with respect to future RPIP filings are set forth in the stipulation. The parties assert that the stipulation, in this particular instance, speaks for itself, and that a concurrent filing of a brief or testimony would not provide any useful information or explanation.

I have reviewed the stipulation and find that the request made by the motion of the parties is reasonable under these specific circumstances and should be granted.

¹ The Stipulation and waiver request both purport to include the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB), the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU), Renewable Northwest (RNW) and the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) as parties to the Stipulation and waiver request in this proceeding. However, as the Chief Administrative Law Judge made plain in his rulings of January 24 and February 25, 2014:

This proceeding is not a contested case proceeding under ORS 183.310(2). Nonetheless, obtaining party status is necessary for purposes of receiving copies of filings made by others and to be eligible to sign a protective order to obtain access to confidential information. For those reasons, the Commission will grant the petition(s) to intervene, even though party status does not confer the general rights and duties to individuals who participate in contested case proceedings.

I find that CUB, ICNU, RNW and ODOE are not parties to the stipulation or the request for waiver.

RULING

The request for request for waiver of OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a) is **granted**.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2014, at Salem, Oregon.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Allan J. Arlow", written in black ink.

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge