BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	ORDER
)	011221
Signing of Settlement Offer in FERC)	
Docket No. EL02-114 and Establishing)	
Credit Account for PGE Retail Customers.)	

DISPOSITION: COMMISSION SIGN OFFER OF SETTLEMENT; APPEARANCE OF CEO AT FUTURE PUBLIC MEETING.

At the September 24, 2003, public meeting of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon, Staff presented a report to the Commission recommending that the Commission join the Offer of Settlement in resolution of FERC Docket No. EL02-114 concerning trading activity by Portland General Electric (PGE). Staff further recommended that the Commission waive any claims in its proceedings regarding posting errors and 17 days of Death Star transactions discussed in Staff's Trading Activity Report, dated June 12, 2003, which had been previously submitted to the Commission. The total settlement for Oregon customers would be \$1.3 million dollars. Staff's report is attached as Appendix A and incorporated in this order.

The Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities and Blue Heron Paper Company supported Staff's recommendation. The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) stated that PGE's accountability, not money, is the issue. CUB wanted to make certain that PGE would not engage in similar activity, and would report what changes had been made to eliminate the possibility of similar activity in the future.

The Commission determined to accept Staff's recommendation, but added that the CEO of PGE must attend a Commission public meeting to indicate what PGE has done, and will do, to preserve the integrity of the wholesale power market.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the Commission joins the Offer of Settlement in resolution of FERC Docket No. EL02-114 and the investigation proposed by OPUC staff into PGE's posting errors and involvement in alleged Death Star transactions during the western electricity crisis of 2000-01, provided, the CEO of PGE attend a public meeting to affirm the company's accountability to its customers by stating what PGE has done and will do to preserve, to the extent it can, the integrity of the wholesale power markets from which it purchases power.

Made, entered, and effective	
Lee Beyer Chairman	John Savage Commissioner
	Ray Baum Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.