

1 **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**
2 **OF OREGON**

3 UM 2024

4 In the Matter of

5 ALIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY
6 CONSUMERS,

7 Investigation Into Long-Term Direct Access
8 Programs.

STAFF'S MOTION ADOPT THE PROPOSED
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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10 Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Staff) moves to adopt the proposed
11 procedural schedule for the contested case proceeding in this docket. The Administrative Law
12 Judge's (ALJ) Prehearing conference Memorandum instructed parties to provide a proposed
13 procedural schedule or request for prehearing conference by February 7, 2024.

14 Staff provided a proposed schedule for the contested case portion of UM 2024, which
15 includes both dates for substantive filings along with dates and targets for potential settlement.
16 Staff provided this schedule for party input in its workshop agenda posted to the docket on
17 December 29, 2023, and discussed the schedule with parties at the January 8, 2024, workshop.
18 At the workshop, parties only raised concerns about the straw proposal deadline, resolved by
19 extending the straw proposal due date.¹ In addition, Staff corresponded with parties about
20 opportunity to provide input or objections regarding the proposed schedule on January 22, and
21 February 1, 2024. On February 2, 2024, two substantive date changes were proposed by
22 PacifiCorp, and Staff received support for the proposed dates from PGE, CUB, NIPCC, AWEC,
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¹ See Docket No. UM 2024, *Motion to Modify Procedural Schedule Granted*, Jan. 23, 2024.

1 and Calpine. Staff received no objections from other parties. Consequently, Staff requests the
2 ALJ adopt the proposed schedule for the contested case as outlined below:

Date	Event
May 17, 2024	Opening Testimony
July 19, 2024	Cross Answering/Reply Testimony
September 30, 2024	Final Testimony
October 28, 2024	Hearing
December 6, 2024	Opening Briefs
January 13, 2025	Closing Briefs
February 28, 2025	Target for Commission Order

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9 Staff includes proposed settlement conference and settlement target dates below for ALJ
10 and party reference. However, grounded in the understanding that these dates are likely to evolve
11 based on discussions among the parties, Staff does not seek inclusion of these dates as part of the
12 procedural schedule for this docket.

- 13 • March 2024- Settlement Conference Series
- 14 • April 16, 2024 – Target Stipulation Date
- 15 • Late -May 2024- Additional Settlement Conferences (if necessary)
- 16 • Early August 2024- Additional Settlement Conferences (if necessary)
- 17 • October 11, 2024- Settlement Conference (if necessary)
- 18 • October 18, 2024- Final Date for Settlement Stipulation Avoiding a Hearing

19 For the foregoing reasons, Staff asks that the ALJ adopt the proposed procedural
20 schedule.

21 DATED this 06 day of February 2024.

22 Respectfully submitted,

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