ISSUED: May 13, 2024

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## OF OREGON

UM 2024

In the Matter of

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS,

RULING

Petition for Investigation Into Long-Term Direct Access Programs.

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE GRANTED; NEW SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED

On May 7, 2024, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC) filed a motion to suspend the procedural schedule for six months. AWEC argues that a six-month suspension will provide parties and the Commission the time and resources needed to address other time-sensitive proceedings with statutory deadlines currently before the Commission. AWEC contends a delay will also give parties additional time to engage in settlement negotiations on some or all outstanding issues. AWEC included a conditional proposed schedule but indicated that it was open to modifying any dates to avoid conflicts. AWEC states that it conferred with the other parties and that PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, and NewSun Energy support this motion and no party has indicated opposition.

I find good cause to grant AWEC's motion to suspend the procedural schedule for six months. Rather than adopt a full procedural schedule at this time, the schedule will resume with the scheduling of a prehearing conference and a settlement status update. Parties are encouraged to confer in developing a procedural schedule ahead of the prehearing conference. The procedural schedule is adopted as set forth below.

MILESTONE	DEADLINE
Settlement status update	October 18, 2024
Prehearing conference	Week of October 21, 2024

Any filings submitted in this proceeding are due by 3:00 p.m. to provide adequate processing time for the Filing Center. Filings submitted after 3:00 p.m. will be considered filed on the following business day.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2024, at Salem, Oregon.

Katharine Mapes
Administrative Law Judge