

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 394

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: PETITION TO INTERVENE GRANTED SUBJECT TO
LIMITATIONS; PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE MODIFIED**

On February 9, 2022, the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and Northwest Energy Coalition (NVEC) filed a letter in this docket which objected to a filed stipulation, and was submitted to parties and Commissioners as an ex parte communication. On February 11, 2022, NRDC and NVEC filed a Petition for Intervention in docket UE 394. On the same day, I issued a ruling stating that the February 9, 2022 letter would be treated as a public comment and included in the administrative file, but was not part of the evidentiary record in this case. I also requested that any answer to the petition be filed by 3:00 p.m. on February 16, 2022.

On February 16, 2022 Portland General Electric Company, Staff, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers, Fred Meyer Stores and Quality Food Centers, Division of the Kroger Co., Walmart, Inc., and Small Business Utility Advocates (collectively, the "Stipulating Parties") filed a response to NRDC and NVEC's petition to intervene. In that response, the Stipulating Parties stated that they do not object to the intervention and support the Commission admitting NRDC and NVEC's letter attached to the petition into the evidentiary record.

The Stipulating Parties request that to ensure the proceeding is not delayed conditions be imposed to limit NRDC's and NVEC's participation. The Stipulating Parties ask that NRDC and NVEC's participation be limited to the objection outlined in the letter attached to the petition to intervene, a reply to any testimony or exhibits filed by the Stipulating Parties in response to the objection, and the opportunity to participate in any hearing, argument, or briefing related to the objection. The Stipulating Parties represent that they have contacted NRDC and NVEC, and they do not oppose the Stipulating Parties' proposal.

I find good cause to adopt the proposal as outlined by the Stipulating Parties. I find that NRDC and NWECC have sufficient interest in the proceedings and, with the limitations outlined above, their participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay the proceedings. The intervention of NRDC and NWECC is granted. Additionally, the letter filed with the petition will be admitted to the record in a future ruling.

The procedural schedule is modified as set forth below to accommodate the filing of a response to NRDC and NWECC's objection to the Third Partial Stipulation, and the filing of a reply by NRDC and NWECC.

Event	Date
Simultaneous Opening Briefs	February 22, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Simultaneous Closing Briefs	March 2, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Stipulating Parties' Response to NRDC/NWECC's Objection to Third Partial Stipulation	March 2, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Oral Argument	March 4, 2022
NRDC/NWECC's Reply	March 11, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Deadline to Request Oral Argument Regarding Objection to Third Partial Stipulation	March 15, 2022, 3:00 p.m.
Commission Order (target)	April 25, 2022
Rates Effective	May 9, 2022

Dated this 17th day of February, 2022, at Salem, Oregon.



Nolan Moser
Chief Administrative Law Judge