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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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RE: Advice No. 22-37, Schedule 136 Oregon Community Solar Program Cost Recovery Mechanism

Portland General Electric Company (PGE) submits this filing pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 757.205 and 757.210, and Oregon Administrative Rule (OARs) 860-022-0025 and 860-022-0030, for filing proposed tariff sheets associated with Tariff P.U.C. No. 18, with a requested effective date of **January 1, 2023**:

Third Revision of Sheet No. 136-1
Second Revision of Sheet No. 136-2
Second Revision of Sheet No. 136-3

The purpose of this filing is to update Schedule 136 prices consistent with the existing balance and projections of costs for Schedule 136 and projected 2023 applicable loads. The program deferral included for this filing is UM 1977.

Prices for Schedule 136 have not been updated in over two years. Last year on November 12, 2021, PGE submitted PGE Advice No. 21-38/Docket ADV 1342 to update Schedule 136 prices for 2022, however the filing was suspended for further investigation while Staff investigated a Joint Utility Method for Calculating Incremental Cost of Subscribed Energy in the Community Solar Program (CSP). The Joint Utility Method for Calculating Incremental Cost of Subscribed Energy was adopted at the Public Meeting by the Commission on August 24, 2022. Due to it being so late in the year and proposed prices being stale since they were based off a full year of 2022 cost-recovery, PGE reached out to Staff to discuss withdrawal of the advice filing and making an updated filing in November 2022 with an effective date of January 1, 2023. Staff supported this approach and PGE withdrew Advice No. 21-38 on September 15, 2022.

Due to under collection in 2022, the CSP balancing account at the end of December 2022 is projected to be \$3.1 million. Start-Up program costs for 2023 are estimated to be about \$1.4 million. This is inclusive of \$50K annual internal administration costs, payments made to the Program Administrator, and payments to participants in the CSP.

PGE estimates incurring incremental energy costs associated with bill credit payments of approximately \$0.4 million. PGE plans to amortize the balance over the next two years to bring the balance down to zero at the end of 2024. Schedule 136 costs are allocated to eligible Customers on the basis of equal percentage of revenues with eligible Direct Access Customers priced at cost of service.

To satisfy the requirements of OARs 860-022-0025(2), and 860-022-0030 PGE provides the following responses:

PGE estimates that approximately 931,000 (2023 forecast) customers during 2023 will be impacted by this overall \$2.2 million or 0.1% increase in revenues from current Schedule 136 prices. A typical Schedule 7 Residential Customer consuming 780 kWh monthly will see a bill increase of \$0.12 or 0.1%.

The enclosed work papers include support for the proposed Schedule 136 prices.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosures

PGE Advice No. 22-37

Work Papers

Provided in electronic format and password protected

**SCHEDULE 136
OREGON COMMUNITY SOLAR PROGRAM
COST RECOVERY MECHANISM**

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Schedule is to recover costs incurred during and for the development (or modification) of the Oregon Community Solar Program (Oregon CSP) including the costs associated with the State of Oregon's Program Administrator, Low Income Facilitator, the company's prudently incurred costs associated with implementing the Community Solar Program that are not otherwise included in rates, and payments to participants in the Oregon CSP. Company incurred costs to implement the state program do not include costs associated with the company developing a community solar project. This cost recovery mechanism is authorized by ORS 757.386 (7)(c) and OAR 860-088-0160. The Oregon CSP is an optional program that will provide PGE customers the opportunity to voluntarily subscribe to the generation output of eligible community solar projects. This adjustment schedule is implemented as an automatic adjustment clause as provided under ORS 757.210 to allow recovery of operations and maintenance start-up costs as soon as the cost data is approved by the Commission.

AVAILABLE

In all territory served by the Company.

APPLICABLE

To all bills for Electricity Service except Schedules 76Rand 576R .

ADJUSTMENT RATE

The Adjustment Rate, applicable for service on and after the effective date of this schedule are:

<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Adjustment Rate</u>	
7	0.021	¢ per kWh
15/515	0.017	¢ per kWh
32/532	0.019	¢ per kWh
38/538	0.021	¢ per kWh
47	0.032	¢ per kWh
49/549	0.025	¢ per kWh
75/575		
Secondary	0.020	¢ per kWh
Primary	0.010	¢ per kWh
Subtransmission	0.010	¢ per kWh

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SCHEDULE 136 (Continued)

ADJUSTMENT RATE (Continued)

83/583	0.015	¢ per kWh	(I)
85/485/585			
Secondary	0.013	¢ per kWh	
Primary	0.011	¢ per kWh	
89/489/589/689			
Secondary	0.020	¢ per kWh	
Primary	0.010	¢ per kWh	
Subtransmission	0.010	¢ per kWh	(I)
90/490/590			(C)
Primary	0.010	¢ per kWh	(I)
Subtransmission	0.010	¢ per kWh	(N)
91/491/591	0.017	¢ per kWh	(I)
92/492/592	0.011	¢ per kWh	
95/495/595	0.017	¢ per kWh	(I)

BALANCING ACCOUNT

The Company will maintain a balancing account to accrue differences between incremental costs associated with the Oregon CSP and the revenues collected under this schedule. This balancing account will accrue interest at the Commission-authorized rate for deferred accounts.

DEFERRAL MECHANISM

Each year the Company may file a deferral request to defer the incremental costs associated with the Oregon CSP.

SPECIAL CONDITION

1. Pursuant to OAR 860-088-0160 (1), Oregon CSP start-up costs are:
 - Costs associated with the Program Administrator and Low-Income Facilitator; and
 - Each utility’s prudently incurred start-up costs associated with implementing the Community Solar Program. These costs include, but are not limited to, costs associated with customer account information transfer and on-bill crediting and payment, but exclude any costs associated with the electric utility developing a project.

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SCHEDULE 136 (Concluded)

SPECIAL CONDITION (Continued)

2. PGE will remit payments to the Program Administrator on a monthly basis for program costs including performing work as provided in OAR 860-088-0020 and OAR 860-088-0030 within 15 days receipt of the Commission's approval of eligible costs.
3. Costs recovered through this schedule will be allocated to each schedule using the applicable schedule's forecasted energy on the basis of an equal percent of revenue applied on a cents per kWh basis to each applicable rate schedule, with long-term opt out and new load direct access customers priced at the equivalent cost of service rate schedule.

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