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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

In the Matter of

UE 426

IDAHO POWER COMPANY,

Request for General Rate Revision

COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT'S
REQUEST FOR UP-FRONT PARTIAL
PAYMENT OF HB 2475 CASE FUND
GRANT

Pursuant to Order No. 23-033 (approving Environmental Justice Funding Agreement for HB 2475 Intervenor Funding), Section 7 of the Environmental Justice Communities Funding Agreement and OAR 860-001-0890(5), Community Energy Project (CEP), submits this request for pre-completion partial payment of the case fund grant awarded pursuant to Order No. 24-072 in the amount of \$25,000. CEP has conferred with Idaho Power Company's counsel, Lisa Nordstrom, who advised that the company has no objection to this request.

The above referenced rule and Agreement authorize up to one-half of the grant award to be paid prior to completion of the activities stated in the approved budget and described scope of work and expenses. The up-front payment allows for and will be used in this case for reimbursement or payment of expenses as the case proceeds, which conserves effort and resources by reducing the number of times CEP will have to itemize the expenses, payees and

amounts to be reimbursed. For the last several weeks, CEP has been actively engaged in developing testimony and participating in settlement negotiations, activities described in the grant request and approved in the Order.

CEP intended to seek the partial up-front payment at the time of making its grant request which practice has been approved in other cases. CEP seeks to remedy that with this separate request, now.

For the foregoing reasons CEP respectfully requests the Commission approve this request for an up-front payment of \$25,000, one-half of the grant approved, and direct Idaho Power to make that payment within a reasonable period, not to exceed 30 days.

Respectfully submitted, this 19th day of April, 2024.

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