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COMMENTS OF THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON

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The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) appreciates the opportunity to submit comments on Portland General Electric's (PGE) Annual Smart Grid Report. PGE has made extensive efforts to research various possible uses for the smart grid and has developed a wide variety of smart grid projects.

CUB notes that PGE has responded to past stakeholder comments and specifically added sections in its report addressing stakeholder concerns. In particular, PGE addresses how its current smart grid projects relate back to the goals discussed in UE 189. The Company has also added some discussion pertaining to new energy efficiency projects and pilot programs. While CUB appreciates the Company's response to each of these concerns, CUB notes that other utilities, such as Idaho Power¹ and PacifiCorp², have submitted smart grid reports that are more robust in nature, outlining both the groundwork and current projects in far more detail. CUB would like to see PGE write about the fascinating projects it is undertaking with this level of robustness. With this in mind, CUB believes that the Company can improve its smart grid report

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¹ See docket UM 1675, initial filing and appendices.

² See docket UM 1667.

in the future by examining the presentations of its peers. CUB will be interested in reading and hearing about updates to specific projects³ through future smart grid dockets, IRPs, etc.

CUB appreciates PGE's efforts to evaluate smart grid opportunities as an energy efficiency resource. CUB will watch the development of PGE's future projects with interest.

Sincerely,

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³ UM 1657. PGE Smart Grid Report, June 1, 2014. See Section 4.3.

UM 1657 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 25th day of June, 2014, I served the foregoing **COMMENTS OF THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON** in docket UM 1657 upon each party listed in the UM 1657 PUC Service List by email and, where paper service is not waived, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, and upon the Commission by email and by sending one original and five copies by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the Commission's Salem offices.

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