

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1854

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC  
COMPANY

Application to Lower the Standard Price and  
Standard Contract Eligibility Cap for Solar  
Qualifying Facilities.

**PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC  
COMPANY’S RESPONSE IN  
OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO  
SUSPEND INDEFINITELY THE  
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE FILED BY  
NORTHWEST AND  
INTERMOUNTAIN POWER  
PRODUCER’S COALITION AND  
RENEWABLE ENERGY COALITION**

Portland General Electric Company (“PGE”) opposes the motion to suspend indefinitely the procedural schedule filed on March 16, 2018, by Northwest and Intermountain Power Producer’s Coalition (“NIPPC”) and Renewable Energy Coalition (“REC”).

On January 18, 2018, Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) Michael Grant approved the current procedural schedule, which provided for a settlement conference on January 23 or January 29, 2018, and established March 23, 2018, as the deadline for Staff and Intervenor response testimony. The parties have held two settlement conferences and have been discussing potential settlement for more than a month. At present, the next step in the procedural schedule is for Staff and Intervenors to file their response testimony on March 23, 2018—Friday of this week.

PGE proposes a three-week extension of the existing deadlines to provide parties additional time to consider settlement and to provide Staff and Intervenors additional time to develop their testimony in the event a settlement is not reached. Under this proposal, the new deadline for Staff and Intervenors to file response testimony would be April 13, 2018.

PGE is willing to continue to explore settlement but believes there should be an appropriate deadline for moving forward with this matter if settlement cannot be achieved. PGE has already agreed to several extensions of the schedule in this proceeding to accommodate settlement discussions. PGE is hopeful that settlement can be reached, but if it is not then PGE seeks the prompt resolution of this matter in the interest of its customers. As a result, PGE opposes any indefinite suspension of the procedural schedule.

PGE filed its application in this docket almost nine months ago in June 2017. As the applicant in this proceeding, PGE is entitled to a procedural schedule that establishes a timeline for resolving this matter if the parties cannot reach settlement and PGE respectfully requests that the ALJ adjust the current procedural schedule by extending each existing deadline by three weeks.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,



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