## **BEFORE THE**

## PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 2276

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON.

Approval of Justice Funding Precertification.

COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT'S RESPONSE TO JUSTICE FUNDING PRECERTIFICATION INQUIRY

Community Energy Project (CEP) submits the following response to the Memorandum<sup>1</sup> filed under Docket UM 2276 on May 2, 2023.

Regarding question (a), CEP's request to participate in docket LC 77 can be understood to refer to docket LC 82, which is about to begin. Therefore, CEP accepts the recommendation that its request to participate in docket LC 77 should instead refer to docket LC 82.

Regarding question (b), CEP increased the amount of funding allocated from PGE in its revised application<sup>2</sup> due to (1) budget adjustments in consideration of other organizations applying, and (2) in consideration that CEP works more with PGE than other utilities. The increase also accounts for attorney fees, as Community Energy Project will be intervening in docket UE 416 and will be represented by attorney Tonia Moro.

The initial PGE request of \$33,849 was increased to \$62,899, which includes CEP's attorney fees of \$19,800.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> UM 2276, PUC Memorandum, April 2nd, 2023, available at: https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HDA/um2276hda171024.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> UM 2276, Community Energy Project's Amended Notice to Request HB 2475 Intervenor Funding PreCertification, April 21st 2023, available at: <a href="https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAS/um2276has135537.pdf">https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAS/um2276has135537.pdf</a>

Regarding question (c) On April 27, 2023, Community Energy Project filed a petition to intervene in docket UE 416<sup>3</sup>, and the petition was granted after review<sup>4</sup>. The ruling states that Community Energy Project has sufficient interest in the proceedings to participate, and its participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay the proceedings. The intervention was granted without opposition from any other party.

Dated this 9th day of May 2023.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> UE 416, Community Energy Project's Unopposed Petition to Intervene, available at: <a href="https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAP/ue416hap111441.pdf">https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAP/ue416hap111441.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> UE 416, Ruling: CEP's Petition to Intervene Granted, April 27th, 2023, available at: <a href="https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HDA/ue416hda133119.pdf">https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HDA/ue416hda133119.pdf</a>