

Public Utility Commission

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AR 651 Schedule Update: Preferential Curtailment Rules

Parties to AR 651,

At the October 4th regular public meeting, various stakeholders requested additional opportunities for discussion and engagement regarding Staff's recommended rule language on preferential curtailment. While the Commission ultimately chose to adopt Staff's recommendation and open a formal rulemaking, it was agreed upon that further discussion about the curtailment framework during the formal phase would be beneficial prior to the contested case in UM 2024.

Staff plans to facilitate a workshop specifically focused on the preferential curtailment framework during the week of October 31st. This discussion will address the various parties' comments and questions on the curtailment rules in Staff's straw proposal, the ideas stated at the October 4th public meeting, and any other feedback related to the rule language, operational details, and feasibility of curtailment. Staff encourages stakeholders to come prepared with ideas or policies that help facilitate a workable solution regarding provider of last resort responsibilities. Staff understands the parties' positions, and is more interested in arriving at a framework with sufficient detail to enable implementation.

Following the workshop, parties will have at least two weeks to file written comments regarding the POLR and curtailment issue. Staff will consider the feedback in the workshop and comments to develop an updated proposal. If necessary, a second workshop and/or opportunity for comments may be scheduled. Staff intends for these specific curtailment/POLR discussions to fit within the rest of the formal timeline, with the final date to submit comments on the entire scope of the formal rulemaking on January 31st, 2023. Please see Staff's proposed schedule for this engagement process on page 2.

Thank you for your continued feedback and engagement in this process. For questions about AR 651 workshops or scheduling, please contact Madison Bolton at <u>madison.bolton@puc.oregon.gov</u> or (503) 508-0722.

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Timeline for POLR/Preferential Curtailment Discussions

Timeline	Activity	Description
Week of 10/31/2022	Workshop	Discuss parties' comments and questions on the straw proposal and from the public meeting regarding POLR / preferential curtailment rules. Staff will determine a specific day based on parties' availability.
11/18/2022	Comments	Parties propose policies or revisions addressing a workable POLR solution.
12/08/2022	Updated Proposal	Staff circulates an updated proposal after considering feedback in comments and workshops.
TBD	Workshop/ Comments	Additional workshop or comments to address unresolved details.
End of January/TBD	Final date to comment	Final comments on the entire scope of the formal rulemaking.