BEFORE THE

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

AR 652

In the Matter of

Rulemaking Regarding Intervenor Funding

NOTICE TO PARTICIPATE & REQUEST HB 2475 INTERIM INTERVENOR FUNDING OF COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT

Community Energy Project hereby submits its Notice to Participate & Request Funding in this docket and requests interim intervenor funding in accordance with Oregon House Bill 2475 (HB 2475).

Community Energy Project (CEP) is an eligible organization for HB 2475 interim inventor funding. CEP represents Portland frontline communities, those who are vulnerable to the uncertainty posed by climate change. CEP is a community based organization that believes everyone deserves a safe, healthy and efficient home, regardless of income. We do this by providing direct in-home safety repairs, weatherization, and energy efficiency upgrades for vulnerable and underserved populations. We primarily and historically serve Multnomah County. Our clients include seniors, people with disabilities, women, people experiencing low income, people of color, and other historically marginalized groups. All of our clients have disproportionately high safety and energy bill burdens, which compromise their ability to remain housed.

AR 652 is an eligible proceeding under Commission order No. 22-043. AR 652 is a non-contested case that affects the utilities' interests in funding and the administration of such funds through intervenor funding agreements to implement HB 2457. Due to the utilities' authority to recover the funded amounts through rates, this docket will affect our organization's clients who are utility customers. Additionally, the proceedings have an impact on our organization's low-income resident customers and environmental justice communities by enabling their participation in eligible proceedings through grants from the HB 2475 Funds.

Community Energy Project respectfully requests that this Commission grant its Notice to Participate in these proceedings as an eligible organization and its request to receive HB 2475 interim intervenor funding.

Dated this 21st day of July 2022.

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