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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

In the Matter of AR 652

Rulemaking Regarding Intervenor Funding Consistent with HB 2475

ROGUE CLIMATE'S AMENDED REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDED BUDGET; AND REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT OF HB 2475 FUNDING GRANT

Pursuant to Order 22-226, approving Rogue Climate's (RC) April 2022, proposed budget in this docket, RC is eligible for a funding in the amount of \$22,875.00 from the 2022 Interim HB 2475 Intervenor Fund.

## Α. **Request for Approval of Amended Budget**

The April 2022, proposed budget anticipated 35 hours of staff time and 50 hours of representation time. Although staff participated in the large group advocates meetings, the anticipated time for staff's involvement was overestimated and the time spent has been subsumed into and attributed to general staff duties and not this grant fund. Counsel's time was underestimated. Instead of 50 hours, 75 hours were spent on the project. The total expenses -\$22,800 -, however, are within the original budget amount of \$22,875. RC requests approval of the amended budget as set forth in Attachment A for a total amount of \$22,800.

## **B.** Request for Payment

As stated in the interim agreement approved in Order No. 22-043, to receive payment for a grant fund approved, a grantee must submit a request for payment to the Commission and serve the relevant Utilities. The request for payment must: 1) itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates; 2) demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and directly attributed to the issues pursued and consistent with the proposed/approved budget; and 3) specify if the requested payment is for a progress payment or final payment.

RC submits herewith directly to the commission and relevant Utilities a confidential statement of itemized expenses which includes the hourly rates and time directly attributed to the issues and positions pursued consistent with Rogue Climate's approved and proposed amended budget for eligible expenses. The itemized report is designated Attachment B.

The expenses incurred are reasonably and directly related to the issues, positions and work product RC addressed and produced in AR 652 on behalf of environmental justice residential customers of Portland General Electric Company (PGE); PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power; Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural; Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities; Idaho Power Company; and Cascade Natural Gas Corporation as this docket involved a rulemaking proceeding to consider funding under HB 2475 for groups that represent the interests of low-income residential utility customers and environmental justice communities. This request seeks a final full payment for the expenses incurred and attributing the expenses to each utility as follows: PGE 28.33% \$6459.24; Pacific

Power 28.34% \$ 6461.52; NW Natural 28.33% \$6459.24; Avista 5% \$1140; Idaho Power

Company 5% \$1140; Cascade Natural Gas Corporation 5% \$1140.

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