BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UE 246

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In the Matter of) AMENDMENT OF PROPOSED
) BUDGET OF THE CITIZENS'
PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER) UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON
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Request for a General Rate Revision)
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Pursuant to Section 6.7 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), which was adopted in Order No. 07-564, the Citizens' Utility Board submits this Amendment of Proposed Budget in docket UE 246 from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund. CUB is automatically precertified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

On May 9, 2012, CUB submitted a proposed budget showing eligible expenses of \$52,944.79 and seeing an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$35,000. On May 11, 2012, in Order No. 12-059, the Commission approved CUB's budget.

Section 6.7 of the Agreement states:

<u>Amendment of Proposed Budget</u>: At any time during the proceeding, an intervenor who received Commission approval for an Issue Fund Grant may file to amend its budget and request additional funding due to unforeseen changes in the scope or complexity of issues, positions taken by other parties, changes in the schedule of the case, or other good cause.

There is good cause to support approving CUB's proposed budget amendment. As CUB indicated in its proposed budget filed on May 9, 2012, its budget showed eligible expenses of more than \$42,000, but due to the need to accommodate both the TAM and the General Rate Case, as well as the requests of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities' requests in those cases, CUB requested less than the total eligible expenses shown in its proposed budget. Additionally, CUB will far exceed its approved budget of \$42,000 in this docket. CUB has earned \$35,473 of its approved budget as of July 24, 2012,¹ with one round of testimony, ongoing discovery, a pre-hearing brief, a hearing, opening and closing briefs, and possibly oral arguments remaining in this docket. CUB does not anticipate the remaining issues in this docket to settle, and anticipates spending substantial additional time litigating the remaining issues in this docket.

¹ See CUB's Request for Progress Payment, Docket UE 246, filed August 10, 2012.

CUB's recent release of the PacifiCorp Issue Funds it requested in dockets UM 1570 totaling \$10,720, UM 1573 totaling \$3,810, and UE 245 totaling \$8,181 provide the additional funds in PacifiCorp's Issue Fund to accommodate CUB's current request. Therefore, CUB is seeking to increase its approved budget to \$57,711. CUB's amended budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

Respectfully submitted, August 10, 2012

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Bob Jenks Executive Director Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

cc. Bryce Dalley, PacifiCorp

CUB Issues Fund Budget -- UE 246

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
Staff			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$220	135.00	\$29,700.00
Catriona McCracken, General Counsel	\$220	120.00	\$26,400.00
Gordon Feighner, Sr. Utility Analyst	\$125	100.00	\$12,500.00
Nadine Hanhan, Utility Analyst	\$100	135.00	\$13,500.00
Sommer Templet, Staff Attorney	\$125	50.00	\$6,250.00
SA Anders, Director of Operations	\$75	8.00	\$600.00
<i>Other Expenses</i> Printing & Mailing Travel In-House Resources			\$5.95 \$113.82
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$17,814)
Total			\$71,256
Amended Budget Request*			\$57,711

*Due to the limitation of funds in the issue fund account, CUB is reducing the amount it is seeking from the issue fund for this case. This request includes funds made available through CUB's release of requested funds in dockets UM 1570 and UM 1573, and the release of the remaining balance following CUB's request for final payment in docket UE 245. The total of released funds is \$22,711, which has been added to CUB's approved budget of \$35,000.

UE 246 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 10th day of August, 2012, I served the foregoing **AMENDMENT OF PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON** in docket UE 246 upon each party listed in the UE 246 PUC Service List by email and, where paper service is not waived, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, and upon the Commission by email and by sending one original and one copy by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the Commission's Salem offices.

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