# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

#### **UE 283**

In the Matter of	)	CUB REQUEST FOR A
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC	)	PGE ISSUE FUND GRANT & PROPOSED BUDGET
COMPANY	)	
Request for a General Rate Revision	)	

The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon ("CUB") requests a grant of \$45,000 from the Portland General Electric ("PGE") Issue Fund. This presumes a fully litigated case; settlement of some or all of the issues would likely reduce our total request for reimbursement. CUB staff will keep track of their participation by hours and activity.

CUB is precertified per OAR 860-012-0100(3)(a). UE 283 is an eligible proceeding under the Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA"), as approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission in Order No. 12-452, entered November 20, 2012. The proceeding directly affects PGE, which is a participating public utility under the IFA. *See* Order No. 12-452 at Article 1(k). CUB filed its Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant concurrent with its Notice of Intervention, as required by the IFA (Article 6.2).

Pursuant to paragraph 6.3 of the IFA, the proposed budget must identify certain points of information. CUB provides the information below.

- (a) Statement of Work to Be Performed: CUB intends to participate in every procedural aspect of this case. CUB participated in the pre-hearing conference. We will attend, either in person or by phone, and participate in all or most workshops, settlement meetings, hearings, and any Commission presentations. We will review and analyze PGE's direct, rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony, and briefs. We will review and analyze testimony and briefs filed by other parties. We will pursue discovery of PGE through data requests, and will respond to data requests asked of us. We will file opening testimony, reply testimony, opening and closing briefs, and present our recommendations to the Commission including any proposed modifications or conditions.
- (b) Description of Areas to Be Investigated: CUB intends to investigate issues including, but not limited to:
  - A. PGE's proposed policy change to the PCAM and how it interacts with the RFP process, among other things;
  - B. The prudence PGE's two new rate base additions;
  - C. The timing of PGE's proposed three general rate changes;
  - D. The marginal cost of services study to ensure fair allocation of costs to customers;
  - E. Whether the test year budget will acquire all cost effective energy efficiency; and
  - F. Issues raised by other parties to the proceeding.
- (c) Description of the Class or Classes Benefiting from CUB's Participation:CUB represents the interests of PGE's residential customers, though other customer

classes may benefit from many aspects of our participation.

(d) The Fund from Which CUB Seeks an Issue Fund Grant & Available Funds: CUB is seeking an issue fund grant from the 2014 PGE Issue Fund. CUB's budget shows eligible expenses of \$80,760, and seeks an issue fund grant of \$45,000. As of April 11, 2014, there is a total of \$175,203.51 available from the PGE Issue Fund; the uncommitted balance equals \$146,870.51.

(e) The Budget Showing Estimated Fees and Costs: CUB's budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

(f) A Representation of the Use of Matching Funds: The budget and an accounting for the use of matching funds accompany this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014 Respectfully submitted,

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**Bob Jenks** 

**Executive Director** 

Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

## **CUB Proposed Budget -- UE 283**

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
Staff			_
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	120.00	\$30,000.00
Catriona McCracken, General Counsel	\$250	130.00	\$32,500.00
Jaime McGovern, Sr. Utility Analyst	\$150	50.00	\$7,500.00
Nadine Hanhan, Utility Analyst	\$125	100.00	\$12,500.00
Sommer Templet, Staff Attorney	\$175	100.00	\$17,500.00
Law Clerk	\$75	10.00	\$750.00
Other Expenses Printing & Mailing Travel			\$50.00 \$150.00
In-House Resources			(000,400)

(\$20,190)20% of Eligible Expenses

Total \$80,760

**CUB Request\*** \$45,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>CUB shows elegible expenses in excess of its issue fund grant request in this docket because of its need to accommodate PGE's other pending dockets, as well as ICNU's anticipated issue fund grant requrests.

### **UE 283 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014, I served the foregoing **CUB REQUEST FOR A PGE ISSUE FUND GRANT & PROPOSED BUDGET** in docket UE 283 upon each party listed in the UE 283 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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