

January 18, 2024

Public Utility Commission of Oregon Attention: Filing Center P.O. Box 1088 Salem, OR 97308-1088

RE: UE 430 In the Matter of Portland General Electric Company, Investigation into New Load Connection Costs

Dear Filing Center,

In accordance with the letter submitted into Docket No. UE 430 by the Oregon Department of Justice's Senior Assistant Attorney General, Betsey Bridge on December 19, 2023, Portland General Electric Company (PGE) agreed to make a filing in this docket by January 18, 2024 discussing the Company's interim risk mitigation measures if a new large load customer wanted to connect to PGE's system while the UE 430 investigation was underway and had not been concluded.

PGE has the following risk mitigation measures in place to address the proper allocation of connection costs for new large load customers during the interim period before a final Commission order in this docket.

Consistent with Rule I of PGE's Tariff, all new large load customers will be required to pay for necessary infrastructure costs through (i) an upfront payment, (ii) enter into a customer agreement that specifies minimum customer loads to recover required infrastructure cost ("Customer Agreement"), or (iii) a combination of up-front payment and Customer Agreement with minimum customer loads.

PGE is currently updating the customer agreement that new large load customers are required to sign. Any new Customer Agreements entered into prior to the effective date of any changes to PGE's tariff that result from a Commission final order or filings in docket UE 430 will contain a provision that requires (i) PGE and the customer to amend the Customer Agreement or (ii) otherwise change the customer's obligations and responsibilities under the Customer Agreement, to conform to any requirements in any Commission final order or resulting PGE

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compliance filing in UE 430, including but not limited to the new large load customer's responsibility to pay additional costs directly related to its new large load.<sup>1</sup>

PGE will file tariff changes to address the proper allocation of connection costs for new large load customers, including provisions related to the Customer Agreement in this docket for review by Staff and Stakeholders no later than March 31, 2024.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or require further information, please call Chris Pleasant at (503) 464-2555.

Please direct all formal correspondence, questions, or requests to the following e-mail address: pge.opuc.filings@pgn.com.

Sincerely,

\s\ Robert Macfarlane

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> December 19, 2023 DOJ Letter filed in UE 430. <a href="https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAC/ue430hac325667023.pdf">https://edocs.puc.state.or.us/efdocs/HAC/ue430hac325667023.pdf</a>