## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## OF OREGON

## **UM 1050**

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In the Matter of	)	
	)	CUB REVISED REQUEST FOR AN
PACIFICORP,	)	ISSUE FUND GRANT & REVISED
	)	BUDGET
Request to Initiate an Investigation of Multi-	)	
Jurisdictional Issues and Approve an Inter-	)	
Jurisdictional Cost Allocation Protocol.	)	

The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon ("CUB") estimates eligible expenses of \$25,000, before the 20% match, and requests a grant of \$16,800 from the 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund. CUB calculates \$20,000 in total expenses after the 20% match, but due to limited funds remaining in the 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund, CUB limits its request to \$16,800. CUB estimates that there is \$30,105 available in this 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund Account, but after CUB's recent budget amendment of an additional \$13,200 for UE 307, there will only be \$105 remaining.

On February 25, 2016, CUB submitted a similar proposed total budget of \$25,000; \$20,000 of which was requested from the PacifiCorp 2016 Issue Fund. On February 29, 2016, the Commission approved CUB's proposed budget in Order No. 16-079. On June 22, 2016, CUB requested that the \$20,000 request from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund be released and made available for other PacifiCorp dockets.

CUB made this request because of our mistaken conclusion that the budget should come from the PacifiCorp MSP 2016 Issue Fund. However, we now realize that eligible

expenses for the MSP Intervenor Funding agreement do not include expenses related to participation in dockets or other formal proceedings before the Commission. Expenses that CUB incurred after PacifiCorp filed the 2017 Protocol should be recovered from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund, not the MSP fund.

CUB is pre-certified per OAR 860-012-0100(3)(a). UM 1050 is an eligible proceeding under the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA"), as approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission in Order No. 15-335, entered October 20, 2015. The proceeding directly affects PacifiCorp, which is a participating public utility under the IFA. *See* IFA 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 participated in every procedural aspect of this case. CUB participated in the prehearing conference, all workshops, and settlement meetings. CUB also attended and participated in the hearing scheduled for this docket. CUB reviewed and analyzed the testimony and briefs filed in this docket. We pursued discovery of PacifiCorp through data requests. We filed testimony and a prehearing brief, and we participated in the hearing.
- (b) Description of Areas to Be Investigated: CUB investigated issues including, but not limited to:
  - i. Whether the proposed multistate agreement is fair to Oregon customers.
  - ii. The effect of the proposed agreement on Oregon energy policy.

- iii. Whether the proposed agreement maintains Oregon's historic hydroelectric benefit.
- iv. Issues raised by other parties to this proceeding.
- (c) Description of the Class or Classes Benefiting from CUB's Participation:CUB represents the interests of PacifiCorp'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 a \$16,800 grant from the 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund. CUB's budget shows eligible expenses of \$25,000, but CUB limits its request in this case to \$16,800.

  Section 4.4 of the IFA permits the Commission to "approve an Issue Fund Grant from funds that will be made available in the next calendar year when the proceeding for which the Issue Fund are inadequate to provide the level of Issue Fund Grants that the Commission determines is appropriate." Although some work and settlement conferences for UM 1050 took place in 2015, significant activity took place in 2016.

  CUB respectfully requests that the Commission approve CUB's request for a \$16,800 grant from the 2016 PacifiCorp Issue Fund.
- (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 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016 Respectfully submitted,

**Bob Jenks** 

**Executive Director** 

Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

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# **CUB Revised Budget -- UM 1050**

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
Staff			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	33.00	\$8,250.00
Jaime McGovern, Senior Economist	\$225	38.00	\$8,550.00
Staff Attorney	\$175	38.00	\$6,650.00
Paralegal	\$75	19.00	\$1,425.00
Other Expenses			
Printing, Mailing & Travel			\$125.00
Outside Expert Witness			

# **In-House Resources**

20% of Eligible Expenses (\$5,000)

Total \$20,000

# Total Request \$16,800.00

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