

Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

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Chairman Lee Beyer Commissioner John Savage Commissioner Ray Baum Oregon Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 2148 Salem, OR 97308-2148

Re: UM 1209 Issue Fund Grant Request for Final Payment

Dear Commissioners,

Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), which was adopted in Order No. 03-388, the Citizens' Utility Board submits this request for final payment of eligible expenses from the PacifiCorp Issues Fund. CUB is automatically precertified under Section 5.3 of the IFA.

On August 29, 2005, CUB submitted a proposed budget of \$76,455, assuming a fully litigated case. On September 22, 2005, citing concerns about the pool of funds remaining in the PacifiCorp Issues Fund, the Commission approved a budget for CUB of \$60,000 in Order No. 05-1031.

In this filing, CUB requests the payment of our costs in this case, amounting to \$39,343.10. See page 12 of Attachment A, Invoice of Costs. CUB was able to come in under our proposed budget for a number of reasons. First, the case was settled and therefore additional expenses associated with full litigation of the case were not incurred. In addition, CUB was able to share the cost of one of our consultants, Utilitech, with the Washington State Public Counsel office for analysis that was common to both jurisdictions.

Under Section 7.3, each Request for Payment must:

(1) Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates of amount to be reimbursed;

- (2) Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget; and
- (3) Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any conditions imposed on the Issue Fund Grant.

Other than the reduced allowed budget, Order 05-1031 did not include any additional conditions beyond those anticipated in the IFA.

The expenses incurred are reasonable and directly attributable to the issues and positions CUB addressed in UM1209 on behalf of residential customers. In support of this assertion, we supply Attachment A, which is an invoice of all of CUB's costs in this case, categorized by type of activity, whether generated by staff (hours, rates and expenses) or by outside consultants. Attachment B is the invoices we received from Utilitech and Lynn Hargis. CUB paid 50% of one of the Utilitech bills and 100% of a second Utilitech bill; this arrangement is reflected in the invoice in Attachment A. We believe these documents should allow the Commission to track the time spent on the elements of the case.

This is a request for final payment. The Commission has issued a final order in this case and MidAmerican has notified the Commission that the transaction was consummated.

We believe that this filing meets the requirements of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enc. Attachments A and B

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