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Re: Docket No. UM 1856, In the Matter of Portland General Electric Company, Draft Storage Potential Evaluation: Preferred Date for Commissioner Workshop

Dear Chief Judge Grant:

On February 7, 2018, you issued a memorandum in Docket No. UM 1856 asking that the parties confer regarding three proposed dates for a Commissioner workshop. Staff conferred with the parties by email as to whether February 27, March 5, or March 6 worked best for a Commissioner workshop in this docket. Staff received email responses from CREA, Renewable NW, ICNU, CUB, NIPPC, IREC¹, PGE, and Alan Hickenbottom. Staff did not receive a response from ODOE.

Staff and all parties that responded prefer February 27, 2018 for the workshop, with the exception of one party. NIPPC expressed that February 27 does not work. March 6 did not work for most of the parties. Staff notes that of the three dates proposed in the memorandum, February 27 is the only date that precedes the first settlement conference currently scheduled in this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ IREC expressed that it is not planning to participate in the workshop.