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Via Electronic Filing

Public Utility Commission of Oregon Attn: Filing Center 201 High St. SE, Suite 100 Salem OR 97301

#### Re: In the Matter of ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS Petition for a General Investigation into Long-Term Direct Access Programs. Docket No. UM 2024

Dear Filing Center:

Please find enclosed the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers' Request for Amendment of Proposed Budget in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jesse O. Gorsuch Jesse O. Gorsuch

Enclosure

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

#### UM 2024

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In the Matter of

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS,

Petition for a General Investigation into Long-Term Direct Access Programs. REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT OF PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS

Pursuant to Section 6.7 of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA") approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") in Order No. 18-017 (January 17, 2018), the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers ("AWEC") hereby files this Request for Amendment of Proposed Budget in Docket No. UM 2024 (the "Proceeding"), seeking an increase of \$9,700 to its approved Issue Fund Grant in this Proceeding, for a new grant in the amount \$59,400.40

On November 15, 2019, AWEC filed a Request for Issue Fund Grant and Proposed Budget in Docket No. UM 2024 in the amount of \$20,000. On November 25, 2019, the Commission approved an Issue Fund Grant for AWEC in the amount of \$20,000 by Order No. 19-414. On February 19, 2020, AWEC filed an amended Proposed Budget, showing eligible expenses of \$50,000 and requesting an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$40,000. The Commission approved AWEC's request by Order No. 20-073 on March 11, 2020. On September 17, 2020, AWEC requested a second amendment to its authorized budget, showing eligible expenses of \$62,125.50 and seeking an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$49,700.40. The Commission approved AWEC's second amendment to its authorized budget On October 7,

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2020, by Order No. 20-073.

AWEC now requests a third amendment to its authorized budget to reflect eligible expenses in the amount of \$74,250.50 and is seeking a new Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$59,400.40. AWEC proposes that the \$9,700 increase to its approved Issue Fund Grant in this Proceeding be drawn from the 2021 PacifiCorp Issue Fund. With this increase, AWEC's requests from the PGE and PacifiCorp Issue Funds will be equal - \$29,700 from each fund.

Article 6.7 of the IFA states:

<u>Amendment of Proposed Budget</u>: At any time during the proceeding, an intervenor who received Commission approval for an Issue Fund Grant may file to amend its budget and request additional funding due to unforeseen changes in the scope or complexity of issues, position taken by other parties, changes in the schedule of the case, or other good cause.

AWEC seeks approval to amend its authorized budget to account for expected increased costs of AWEC's participation in this Proceeding, as Docket No. UM 2024 is anticipated to require a substantial time commitment.

Therefore, AWEC respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order

granting AWEC's Request for Amendment of its Proposed Budget in this Proceeding.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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# UM 2024

# Exhibit A

# AWEC Amended Proposed Budget for Issue Fund Grant

Personnel	Hours	Rate	Cost
Attorney Fees			
Senior Attorney	121	\$300	\$36,300
Attorney	30	\$275	\$8,250
Paralegal	20	\$170	\$3,400
Expert Witness Fess			
Expert	104	\$250	\$26,000
Other Expenses			
Travel			\$200
Printing and Postage			\$100.50
Subtotal			\$74,250.50
20% of AWEC Funded Expenditures			\$14,850.10
otal Amended AWEC sue Fund Grant Request			\$59,400.40

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