## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of the Application of PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY In Regard to the Sale of its Property

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF PROTECTIVE ORDER

Pursuant to ORCP 36(C)(7) and OAR 860-12-0035(1)(k), Portland General Electric Company ("PGE") requests the issuance of a Protective Order in this proceeding. PGE believes good cause exists for the issuance of such an Order to protect confidential business information, plans and strategies. In support of this Motion, PGE states:

- 1. PGE has filed an Application in this docket seeking approval from the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") for (1) the sale of certain PGE property on the terms as set forth in the Application, and (2) the encumbrance of PGE property that is necessary or useful for providing service to the public. Both approvals are necessary conditions precedent in PGE's contract to purchase the wind project development assets and rights held by Orion Energy LLC and Orion Sherman Wind Farm LLC (collectively, "Orion").
- 2. Under the Asset Purchase and Development Agreement between PGE and Orion ("Agreement"), PGE is obligated to keep the terms of the Agreement and other documents related to the Agreement confidential.
- 3. The Agreement includes confidential commercial information and/or trade secrets under ORCP 36(C)(7). This information is of significant commercial value, and its public disclosure could be detrimental to PGE and its customers. If others obtained this information, they could use it to the financial harm of PGE and its customers.

4. The Commission should therefore issue a Protective Order to protect the confidentiality of the Agreement and other material at issue in this docket. The requested order, identical to the one that the Commission customarily issues, is attached.

For the reasons stated above, PGE requests that a protective order be issued in this proceeding.

DATED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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