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## Re: LC 73 – Portland General Electric 2019 IRP National Grid's Petition to Intervene

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find the Petition to Intervene of National Grid USA.

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

Sincerely,

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## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

## **OF OREGON**

## LC 73

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY,

NATIONAL GRID'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

2019 Integrated Resource Plan.

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-001-0300(2), National Grid USA

("National Grid") petitions the Oregon Public Utility Commission (the "Commission") to

intervene in this proceeding with full party status as described in OAR § 860-001-0010(7). In

support of this Petition, National Grid represents:

1. The contact information (name, address, e-mail address) for National Grid is:

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2. The names and addresses of the persons to be included on the official service list in this docket are:

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3. National Grid is a subsidiary of National Grid plc. National Grid plc has utility operations in both the United Kingdom and the United States. National Grid is actively engaged in the development and operation of bulk transmission and bulk storage assets to enable the transition of the United States' electric system to a low-carbon grid.

4. As a company, National Grid is technology agnostic, and is considering various energy storage opportunities throughout the western United States, including within the state of Oregon and in the service territory of Portland General Electric. Among other technologies, National Grid is interested in pumped storage hydroelectric projects and the ability of these projects to support other renewable energy technologies as an integration tool at the necessary scale to stabilize the variable output from renewable energy resources. Additionally, National Grid has an interest in resource planning and ensuring that Portland General Electric's integrated resource planning process appropriately analyzes and considers opportunities for investment in generation, transmission, and energy storage.

5. National Grid intends to participate as a party in this proceeding to raise any pertinent issues.

6. National Grid has special knowledge and expertise that would assist the Commission in resolving the issues in this proceeding. National Grid has vast experience and expertise in

balancing the electricity system and ensuring electric markets run efficiently, and this experience and expertise would provide a unique and important voice to this discussion.

7. Based on the information provided above, and in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, National Grid hereby requests to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. National Grid will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. *See* OAR 860-001-0300.

8. National Grid therefore respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Petition to Intervene.

Dated this 28th day of May, 2019

Respectfully submitted

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Nathan Sandvig Director, Business Development National Grid USA