April 4, 2006

Oregon Public Utility Commission Attn: Filing Center 550 Capitol Street NE, #215 P.O. Box 2148 Salem, OR 97301-2148

Re: In the matter of Portland General Electric Request for a General Rate Revision.

Docket No. UE 180

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed for filing, please find an original and five copies of Community Action Directors of Oregon and Oregon Energy Coordinators Association petition to intervene in the above mentioned matter. Copies of this petition have submitted electronically to the UE 180 service list.

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

/s/ Thomas James (Jim) Abrahamson

Jim Abrahamson Oregon Energy Partnership Coordinator

Enclosures cc: Service List

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

**UE 180** 

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In the Matter of:	) PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE
Portland General Electric	) COMMUNITY ACTION DIRECTORS
	) OF OREGON (CADO) AND OREGON
Request for a General Rate Revision	) ENERGY COORDINATORS ASSN.
	) (OECA)
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Pursuant to OAR 860-12-0001 the Community Action Directors of Oregon and Oregon Energy Coordinators Association petitions to intervene in this proceeding. In support of its petition, CADO and OECA represent as follows:

1. The business address of CADO is:

Michael Fieldman, President Community Action Directors of Oregon 2448 W. Harvard Blvd. Roseburg, Oregon 97470

The business address of OECA is:

Karl Hans Tanner, President Oregon Energy Coordinators Association 2448 W. Harvard Blvd. Roseburg, Oregon 97470 2. CADO and OECA will be represented in this proceeding by Jim Abrahamson Coordinator, Oregon Energy Partnership (OEP). All documents relating to this proceeding should be served to CADO and OECA at the following address:

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- 3. CADO and OECA are non-profit associations of low-income service agencies across Oregon. These agencies work with over 40,000 low-income utility households a year, approximately one-half of which are current Portland General Electric customers that are attempting to make timely payment of their bills and/or are qualified for low-income weatherization assistance.
- 4. CADO and OECA have a substantial interest in the impact of this proposed rate increase on the clients we serve who are also Portland General Electric ratepayers. Additional rate increases threaten to further impact energy affordability for low-income customers and increase service disconnections and collection expenses. It is

in the interest of all customers, particularly low-income customers, that Portland General Electric's rates be both fair and reasonable.

5. CADO and OECA believe that our past experience in intervening in OPUC utility application, such as UM 1209, UM 1121, UE 102, UM 918, UG 143, our multi-year effort in shaping bill payment assistance programs, in electric restructuring legislation (SB 1149), our ongoing work with Portland General Electric through various weatherization and energy assistance programs, and PGE's participation with us on ACE, OECA and LUSSA committees provide expertise that will assist the Commission in their consideration of this proposed rate increase.

Respectfully submitted, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2006

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 4, 2006 I served a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene electronically on all parties listed on the UE 180 service list.

/s/ Thomas James (Jim) Abrahamson

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