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March 10, 2022

Public Utility Commission of Oregon 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 Salem, Oregon 97301-3398 Attn: Filing Center

Re: Case No. UE-399

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find attached the PETITION TO INTERVENE OF FRED MEYER STORES AND QUALITY FOOD CENTERS, DIVISIONS OF THE KROGER CO. for filing in the above referenced matter.

Copies have been served on all parties of record. Please place this document of file.

Very truly yours,

<u>Kurt J. Boehm</u> Kurt J. Boehm, Esq. Jody Kyler Cohn, Esq. **BOEHM, KURTZ & LOWRY**

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON UE 399

In The Matter Of PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER PETITION TO INTERVENE OF FRED MEYER STORES AND QUALITY FOOD CENTERS, DIVISIONS OF THE KROGER CO.

Request for a General Rate Revision

Pursuant to ORS §756.525 and OAR §860-001-0300, the Fred Meyer Stores and Quality

Food Centers, Divisions of The Kroger Co. ("Fred Meyer") hereby petitions to intervene in this

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

petition, Fred Meyer represents as follows:

NAME OF PETITIONER: Fred Meyer Stores and Quality Food Centers, Divisions of The Kroger Co.

ADDRESS: Attn: Corporate Energy Manager 1014 Vine Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202

PHONE NUMBER: 513-762-4538

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION:

The Petitioner is seeking intervention on its own behalf as a customer of PACIFICORP, dba

PACIFIC POWER. Petitioner is not seeking intervention in this matter as a member of a

trade group or other organization.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING:

Petitioner operates approximately 14 grocery and discount department stores in the service territory of Pacific Power. The total load of Petitioner is approximately 10 MW. Petitioner

has a substantial and diverse interest in the outcome of this case that cannot be adequately

represented by any other party.

THE ISSUES THE PETITIONER INTENDS TO RAISE AT THE PROCEEDING:

The primary issue Fred Meyer intends to address in this case will be whether the rate increase sought by the Applicant is reasonable and cost justified. We also intend to address whether the proposed allocation of the rate increase and the design of the new rates are just and reasonable.

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING:

The Kroger Co., the owner of Fred Meyer Stores Inc. and Quality Food Centers, operates in

31 states and has approximately 3500 locations nationwide. Petitioner's regulatory counsel

has extensive experience in all facets of electricity law. We expect to retain expert witnesses,

as necessary. This broad familiarity with ratemaking policy gives Petitioner special expertise

that will assist the Commission in deciding the issues in this proceeding.

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, Fred Meyer Stores and Quality Food Centers, Divisions of The Kroger Co. requests to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor with full party status. Petitioner represents that it will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding.

/s/ Kurt J. Boehm

Dated: March 10, 2022

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