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#### Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

**Public Utility Commission** Attn: Filing Center 550 Capitol St. NE #215 P.O. Box 2148 Salem OR 97308-2148

> In the Matter of PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY Re:

> > Application for Deferred Accounting of Excess Power Costs Due to Plant

Outage

Docket No. UM 1234

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find an original and six copies of the Petition to Intervene on behalf of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities in the above-referenced docket.

Please return one file-stamped copy of the document in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Anna E. Studenny Anna E. Studenny

Enclosures

cc: Service List

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing Petition to Intervene of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities upon the parties, on the official service list shown below for UM 1209, via U.S. Mail and electronic mail.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 7th day of December, 2005.

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#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### OF OREGON

#### **UM 1234**

In the Matter of	)	
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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC	)	
COMPANY,	)	PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE
	)	INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF
Application for Deferred Accounting of Excess	)	NORTHWEST UTILITIES
Power Costs Due to Plant Outage.	)	

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-012-0001, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU") petitions the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("OPUC" or the "Commission") to intervene in this proceeding with full party status as described in OAR § 860-011-0035(7). In support of this petition, ICNU represents as follows:

1. The business address of ICNU is:

Michael Early Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities 333 S.W. Taylor, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204

2. ICNU will be represented in this proceeding by Davison Van Cleve, P.C. All documents relating to these proceedings should be served on ICNU's attorney at the

following address:

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3. ICNU is an incorporated, non-profit association of large industrial electric

customers in the Pacific Northwest, with offices in Portland, Oregon. A list of ICNU members is

included as Attachment A. Many members of ICNU are customers of Portland General Electric

Company ("PGE" or the "Company") as indicated on Attachment A.

4. ICNU has a substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding. PGE

seeks to defer costs associated with an outage at PGE's Boardman plant in order to track and

preserve these costs for later incorporation in rates through an amortization schedule. In its

Application, PGE asks the Commission to permit it to defer costs indefinitely, through the

duration of the Boardman outage. PGE's request is extremely open-ended and broad—the

Company states that it does not know when the plant will be operational again. As a result,

PGE's request runs afoul of the requirement in ORS § 757.259(4) that deferrals may only be

authorized for specific periods of time. Any Commission decision regarding the treatment of

these costs could have a substantial impact on the rates for service that PGE provides to ICNU's

members.

5. ICNU represents the interests of many of PGE's largest customers and has

participated in many proceedings before the Commission involving PGE. ICNU's intervention

in this proceeding will assist the Commission in resolving the issues, and will not unreasonably

burden the record, delay the proceedings, or broaden the issues.

6. As described above, ICNU has a direct and substantial interest in this

proceeding that will not be adequately represented by any other party, and may be affected by

any Commission determination made in connection with the Application. It is in the public

interest to allow ICNU to intervene in this proceeding.

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## WHEREFORE, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission grant this

Petition to Intervene ordering full party status for ICNU in this proceeding.

Dated this 7th day of December, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVISON VAN CLEVE, P.C.

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Of Attorneys for Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities

## ATTACHMENT A INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES

Air Liquide

Air Products

BPB Gypsum, Inc.

Blue Heron Paper Company\*

Boeing\*

Boise Cascade\*

CNC Containers, Northwest

Chemi-Con Materials Corporation

Dyno Nobel, Inc.

ConAgra Foods

Eka Chemicals, Inc.

**Evanite Fiber** 

Georgia-Pacific

Grays Harbor Paper, L.P.

Hewlett-Packard

Inland Empire Paper Co.

Intel\*

J.R. Simplot

Kimberly-Clark Corporation

Longview Fibre

Microsoft Corporation

Norpac Foods\*

Noveon Kalama, Inc.

Oregon Steel Mills\*

PCC Structurals, Inc.\*

Ponderay Newsprint Co

Shell Oil Products US

Simpson Paper

Simpson Timber

Solar Grade Silicon LLC

Tesoro Refining and Marketing Co.

Wah Chang

West Linn Paper Company\*

Weyerhaeuser\*

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes PGE Customers