# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT

**PUBLIC MEETING DATE: November 1, 2022** 

REGULAR \_\_\_\_ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE November 2, 2022

**DATE:** October 25, 2022

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

FROM: Mitchell Moore

THROUGH: Bryan Conway, Marc Hellman, and Matt Muldoon SIGNED

**SUBJECT:** PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC:

(Docket No. ADV 1435/Advice No. 22-23)

Requests approval to reinstate On-Bill Tariffs associated with Oregon

P.U.C. Tariff No. 18

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission approve Portland General Electric's (PGE or Company) filing reinstating Schedule 340 - On-Bill Repayment Service Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Technologies (EEAST); and Schedule 341 - Energy Efficiency Upgrade Voluntary On-Bill Repayment Service to Tariff PUC No. 18, with an effective date of November 2, 2022, on less than statutory notice.

## **DISCUSSION:**

### Issue

Whether the Commission should approve PGE's request to reinstate Schedules 340 and 341, which were inadvertently removed from its Tariff PUC No. 18, with an effective date of November 2, 2022.

## Applicable Law

The Commission may approve tariff changes if they are deemed fair, just, and reasonable. ORS 757.210. Tariff revisions may be made by filing revised sheets with the information required under the Commission's administrative rules, including OAR 860-022-0025. Filings that propose any change in rates, tolls, charges, rules, or regulations must be filed with the Commission at least 30 days before the effective date

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of the change. See ORS 757.220; OAR 860-022-0020. However the Commission has discretion to approve tariff fillings on less that statutory notice.

## Overview

On July 14, 2022, PGE filed a request to make a number of housekeeping changes to its PUC No. 18 Tariff for the purpose of correcting references, typographical errors, minor updates, and withdrawal of tariff schedules for pilot programs no longer in effect and that no longer have customers associated with them. The Commission approved this request at its public meeting on August 9, 2022.

In this filing, dated October 7, 2022, PGE states that the inclusion of Schedules 340 and 341 in the withdrawal housekeeping filing was made in error and requests that the schedules be reinstated into Tariff P.U.C No. 18. Since the effective date of the tariff November 2, 2022, a difference of less than thirty days, PGE also filed a less than statutory notice request.

Schedules 340 and 341 serve as a cost recovery mechanism for home energy loans serviced by Energy Trust third-party lenders and was withdrawn in error in PGE Advice No. 22-15.

The filing makes no changes to PGE rates or terms or conditions in the schedules, but simply reinstates the schedules as previously filed.

## Conclusion

Staff reviewed the Company's filing and redline changes to the Company's Oregon PUC Tariff No. 18. Staff is satisfied that the changes are appropriate, do not make substantive changes that affect customers or operations, and reflect the current status of the tariff as previously approved by the Commission. The Company has reviewed this memo and agrees with its content.

## PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Approve, with less than statutory notice, PGE's filing that reinstates Schedule 340 - On-Bill Repayment Service Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Technologies (EEAST); and Schedule 341 - Energy Efficiency Upgrade Voluntary On-Bill Repayment Service to Tariff PUC No. 18, with an effective date of November 2, 2022.