

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: December 27, 2022**

REGULAR **CONSENT** **EFFECTIVE DATE** January 1, 2023

DATE: December 16, 2022

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Bret Stevens

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

SUBJECT: PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC:
(Docket No. ADV 1471/Advice No. 22-44)
Schedule 112 Extension.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Commission approve Portland General Electric's (PGE or Company) filing of the Customer Engagement Transformation (CET) Adjustment associated with Schedule 112, effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2023, with Less than Statutory Notice (LSN).

DISCUSSION:

Issue

Whether to approve PGE's request to extend the term of the CET Adjustment by one month.

Applicable Law

PGE's filing is made under ORS 757.205 and OAR 860-022-0025.

- ORS 757.205 requires that public utilities file all rates, rules, and charges with the Commission.
- OAR 860-022-0025 requires that new tariff filings include statements showing the new rates, the number of customers affected, the impact on annual revenue, and the reasons supporting the proposed tariff.

Analysis

Schedule 112 was created in 2017 as a result of PGE's general rate case.¹ This schedule was created in order to allow PGE to recover deferred costs related to the development of their CET program. The CET was a large-scale project that ran for multiple years and ultimately replaced PGE's Customer Information System and Meter Data Management System. Schedule 112 amortizes the deferred CET development costs from 2014-2018. The amortization of these costs was intended to last five years, beginning on January 1, 2018, and ending on December 31, 2022.

Due to an oversight from the Company, the account will not be fully amortized by the original end date. PGE projects that they will be able to fully amortize these costs by extending the end date to January 31, 2023. After this date, the schedule sunsets and so is no longer in effect and customers are no longer charged.

This extension will not change the rates in the schedule, only extend the life of the schedule for one additional month. The company anticipates it will collect an additional \$300,000 from this extension, which will empty the balancing account associated with the schedule.

Staff reviewed the workpapers detailing the status of the balancing account and confirmed the Company's calculations. Staff also exchanged email communications with the Company regarding this filing. The Company filed a Less than Statutory Notice Application accompanying this filing as the effective date is less than 30 days after the filing was submitted.

Conclusion

In order to fully amortize the costs of their 2018 CET program, PGE is requesting to extend the length of the schedule by one month. Staff finds this request fair and reasonable.

The Company has reviewed this memo and did not have any concerns.

¹ Order No. 17-511, p.5.

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PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Approve PGE's Advice No. 22-44, Schedule 112 Customer Engagement Transformation Adjustment, effective for service rendered on or after January 1, 2023, with Less than Statutory Notice.

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