

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

AR 593

In the Matter of

Rulemaking Regarding Power Purchases by
Public Utilities from Small Qualifying
Facilities

MEMORANDUM

RE: AR 593 RULEMAKING INFORMAL COMMENT PERIOD

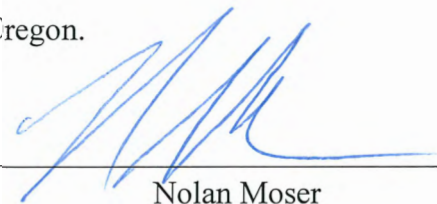
At the June 19, 2018 Regular Public Meeting, the Commission indicated its intention to consider opening a formal rulemaking in this docket at the July 17, 2018 public meeting.

The Commission requests that Staff work with stakeholders to review informal draft rules, focusing primarily on their scope. At this time, the Commission seeks to adopt rules that represent a baseline of generally accepted and understood standards related to PURPA implementation as currently reflected in existing rules, Commission decisions, or memorialized in other standards. At a later date, the Commission intends to engage in a deep and comprehensive review of PURPA implementation in Oregon.

The Commission requested that Staff work to resolve differences between stakeholders on consensus issues for the development of these baseline rules. Staff is encouraged to work with stakeholders to achieve this goal as Staff sees fit; however, the Commission requests adequate time to review materials or comments related to any significant policy disputes that may arise in the context of these baseline rules.

Accordingly, Staff should work to ensure that the Commission is presented with Staff recommendations and stakeholder comment on significant policy questions in this docket no later than July 10, 2018.

Dated this 19th day of June, 2018, at Salem, Oregon.



Nolan Moser
Administrative Law Judge