

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	PREHEARING CONFERENCE
COMPANY)	MEMORANDUM
)	
Adjustments to Schedule 125 (2005 RVM)	
Filing).)	

On April 16, 2004, a prehearing conference was held in Salem, Oregon. The purpose of the prehearing conference was to identify the parties to the proceeding, to establish a procedural schedule for the docket and to address any other procedural matters.

Identification of the Parties

Appearances were entered as follows: David B. Hatton, attorney, appeared on behalf of Commission Staff; David White, attorney, appeared on behalf of Portland General Electric Company (PGE); Matthew Perkins, attorney, appeared on behalf of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU); Jason Eisdorfer, attorney, appeared on behalf of Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB); Rochelle Lessner, attorney, appeared on behalf of Strategic Energy LLC (Strategic Energy); Jennifer Chamberlin also appeared on behalf of Strategic Energy; Lorne Whittles appeared on behalf of EPCOR MERCHANT AND CAPITAL (US) Inc. (EPCOR); and Helen Hitchens appeared on behalf of Sempra Energy Solutions (Sempra).

Four petitions to intervene in this proceeding were received on various dates prior to the prehearing conference, as follows:

ICNU	April 1, 2004
Sempra	April 14, 2004
EPCOR	April 15, 2004
Strategic Energy	April 15, 2004

I found that these petitioners have sufficient interest in the proceeding, and their appearance and participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. *See* OAR 860-013-0021. The petitions to intervene met with no objections from prehearing conference participants. Any person wishing to contest a petition to intervene may do so, however, within ten (10) days of service of the petition. The petition to intervene of ICNU is

granted, as the period for objection has passed. The other petitions were conditionally granted and shall be finally granted when the respective periods for objections are past.

CUB has intervened as a matter of right in this proceeding pursuant to ORS 774.180.

Procedural Schedule

Participants agreed to, and I adopted, the following procedural schedule:

Petitions to intervene due	May 7, 2004
Settlement conference	June 3, 2004
PGE files MONET update	June 11, 2004
Staff and Intervenors file testimony	June 18, 2004
One day only settlement conference	June 28, 2004
PGE files reply testimony	July 30, 2004
Parties file statements of intent to conduct cross examination	August 11, 2004
One day only hearing	August 18, 2004
PGE files MONET update	September 1, 2004
Parties file simultaneous opening briefs	September 10, 2004
Parties file simultaneous reply briefs	September 22, 2004
Oral argument, if requested	TBD

Parties will schedule workshops as appropriate.

PGE requested that the Commission issue a final order in this proceeding by October 20, 2004. Following issuance of an order by this date, PGE would file a MONET update by November 3, 2004, that incorporates all ordered changes other than updates to forward curves for gas and electricity. PGE would subsequently file a final MONET run with updated forward curves for gas and electricity by November 10, 2004. PGE would post final Resource Value Mechanism (RVM) prices by November 13, 2004.

The dates for filing on the Commission are considered "in hand" dates. Parties agreed, however, that service on other parties may be made by mailing hard copies on the due date and sending electronic copies (if available) the same day.

I refer the parties to the Administrative Hearings Procedures for contested case proceedings, located at www.puc.state.or.us under the heading "Commission Overview."

Dated this 19th day of April, 2004, at Salem, Oregon.

Traci A. G. Kirkpatrick
Administrative Law Judge