

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 188

In the Matter of)	
)	
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	
COMPANY)	RULING
.)	
Request for a rate increase in the)	
company's Oregon annual revenues of)	
\$13,000,000 for Biglow Canyon.)	

DISPOSITION: MOTION GRANTED; RESPONSE DATE SET

On December 5, 2007, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), Commission Staff and the Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) filed a Stipulation and Joint Explanatory Brief with respect to the remaining unsettled issue in this case, the annual update of costs relative to the Bigelow Canyon project revenue requirement. The Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU) did not agree to the Stipulation.

Oregon Administrative Rule 860-014-0085(5) provides that a party may file written objections to a stipulation or request a hearing within 20 days of the filing of the stipulation. The rule also provides that an ALJ may set another time period either upon request or *sua sponte*.

On December 6, 2007, PGE filed a Motion to Shorten Time to Respond to Stipulation to seven days, *i.e.*, until December 12, 2007, noting that the suspension period in this case ends on January 1, 2008. PGE asserts that "Several weeks ago ICNU was provided a draft of the Stipulation that is not significantly different from the one filed. ICNU should not be prejudiced by a shorter time to file objections. Staff and CUB support this motion."

RULING

I find that PGE has made a *prima facie* showing that good cause exists to grant this motion. The issue has already been fully briefed by the parties and is not so technically complex as to require extended research of either a legal or factual nature. ICNU shall have until December 7, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. in which to interpose any objection to this Motion. If no such objection is received by that time, ICNU shall file any objections it may have with respect to the Stipulation no later than December 12, 2007.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 6th day of December, 2007.

Allan J. Arlow
Administrative Law Judge