ISSUED: January 17, 2020

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UE 370, UE 372

In the Matters of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY,

Renewable Resource Automatic Adjustment Clause (Schedule 122) (Wheatridge Renewable Energy Farm) (UE 370), and

Renewable Resource Automatic adjustment Clause (Schedule 122) (BPSC Energy Storage Microgrid and ARC Energy Storage) (UE 372). PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM AND RULING

DISPOSITION: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE ADOPTED; DOCKETS CONSOLIDATED

Prehearing conferences were held in above-captioned dockets on January 16, 2020. Portland General Electric Company, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (CUB), the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC), and the Commission Staff all noted their appearances for the record.

During the prehearing conference in docket UE 370, the parties moved that dockets UE 370 and UE 372 be consolidated with UE 370 being the designated as lead docket. The parties proposed the following schedule:

EVENT	DATE
Staff and Intervenor Opening Testimony	March 30, 2020
Settlement Conference	April 9, 2020
PGE Reply Testimony	April 24, 2020
Settlement Conference	May 1, 2020
Staff and Intervenor Rebuttal Testimony	May 15, 2020
PGE Surrebuttal Testimony	June 3, 2020
Cross Exam Statements Due	June 9, 2020
Hearing (tentative)	June 16, 2020
PGE Opening Brief	July 1, 2020
Staff and Intervenor Reply Brief	July 15, 2020
PGE Final Brief	July 22, 2020
Target Order Date for Commission	August 24, 2020
Decision	

The schedule proposed by the parties is adopted with the understanding that dates requiring Commission participation or action are advisory only and subject to the needs of the Commission. Settlement conference dates may be changed without seeking leave of the Commission. Persons may seek to intervene and obtain party status at any time prior to the closing of the record, but are encouraged to do so as early as possible.

The actions in docket UE 370 were moved by the parties in the prehearing conference in docket UE 372, the joint motion was granted, and the joint procedural schedule approved.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020, at Salem, Oregon.

Allan J. Arlow Administrative Law Judge

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Attachment: Notice of Contested Case Rights and Procedures

## NOTICE OF CONTESTED CASE RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

Oregon law requires state agencies to provide parties written notice of contested case rights and procedures. Under ORS 183.413, you are entitled to be informed of the following:

**Hearing:** The time and place of any hearing held in these proceedings will be noticed separately. The Commission will hold the hearing under its general authority set forth in ORS 756.040 and use procedures set forth in ORS 756.518 through 756.610 and OAR Chapter 860, Division 001. Copies of these statutes and rules may be accessed via the Commission's website at <a href="www.puc.state.or.us">www.puc.state.or.us</a>. The Commission will hear issues as identified by the parties.

**Right to Attorney:** As a party to these proceedings, you may be represented by counsel. Should you desire counsel but cannot afford one, legal aid may be able to assist you; parties are ordinarily represented by counsel. The Commission Staff, if participating as a party in the case, will be represented by the Department of Justice. Generally, once a hearing has begun, you will not be allowed to postpone the hearing to obtain counsel.

**Notice to Active Duty Servicemembers:** Active Duty Servicemembers have a right to stay these proceedings under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. For more information contact the Oregon State Bar at 800-452-8260, the Oregon Military Department at 503-584-3571 or the nearest United States Armed Forces Legal Assistance Office through <a href="http://legalassistance.law.af.mil">http://legalassistance.law.af.mil</a>. The Oregon Military Department does not have a toll free telephone number.

**Administrative Law Judge:** The Commission has delegated the authority to preside over hearings to Administrative Law Judges (ALJs). The scope of an ALJ's authority is defined in OAR 860-001-0090. The ALJs make evidentiary and other procedural rulings, analyze the contested issues, and present legal and policy recommendations to the Commission.

**Hearing Rights:** You have the right to respond to all issues identified and present evidence and witnesses on those issues. *See* OAR 860-001-0450 through OAR 860-001-0490. You may obtain discovery from other parties through depositions, subpoenas, and data requests. *See* ORS 756.538 and 756.543; OAR 860-001-0500 through 860-001-0540.

**Evidence:** Evidence is generally admissible if it is of a type relied upon by reasonable persons in the conduct of their serious affairs. *See* OAR 860-001-0450. Objections to the admissibility of evidence must be made at the time the evidence is offered. Objections are generally made on grounds that the evidence is unreliable, irrelevant, repetitious, or because its probative value is outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice, confusion of the issues, or undue delay. The order of presenting evidence is determined by the ALJ. The burden of presenting evidence to support an allegation rests with the person raising the allegation. Generally, once a hearing is completed, the ALJ will not allow the introduction of additional evidence without good cause.

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**Record:** The hearing will be recorded, either by a court reporter or by audio digital recording, to preserve the testimony and other evidence presented. Parties may contact the court reporter about ordering a transcript or request, if available, a copy of the audio recording from the Commission for a fee set forth in OAR 860-001-0060. The hearing record will be made part of the evidentiary record that serves as the basis for the Commission's decision and, if necessary, the record on any judicial appeal.

**Final Order and Appeal:** After the hearing, the ALJ will prepare a draft order resolving all issues and present it to the Commission. The draft order is not open to party comment. The Commission will make the final decision in the case and may adopt, modify, or reject the ALJ's recommendation. If you disagree with the Commission's decision, you may request reconsideration of the final order within 60 days from the date of service of the order. *See* ORS 756.561 and OAR 860-001-0720. You may also file a petition for review with the Court of Appeals within 60 days from the date of service of the order. *See* ORS 756.610.

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