

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 394

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

SCHEDULING MEMORANDUM

The Public Utility Commission of Oregon will hold a procedural conference in these proceedings in the near term. The purpose of the procedural conference will be to identify parties, establish a schedule, and address the process for running revenue requirement and rate spread scenarios after the close of the record. Specifically, the Commission seeks to put a process in place under which certain, limited company staff would be designated to run scenarios identified by the Commission or ALJ after the close of the record for purposes of assisting the Commissioners assess the impact of potential decisions. At the procedural conference, parties should also be prepared to discuss the safeguards that should be implemented within that process, including the use of a non-disclosure agreement.

Additionally, the procedural schedule in this case will occur as the Commission evaluates how to best conduct workshops and proceedings during the transition from a remote-only workplace. The public comment hearing occurring at the outset of the case will be conducted via Zoom. For any Commissioner workshops, evidentiary hearings, and oral argument occurring later in the proceeding, I request that parties provide feedback on whether in person, remote-only, or some hybrid form of proceedings would be preferred.

In its filing, PGE requests a procedural schedule that includes a Commission order in mid-April for rates effective May 1, 2022. However, the suspension order issued on July 12, 2021 results in a suspension period through May 9, 2022. Parties are advised that the Commission may use the full suspension period, resulting in a rate effective date of May 9, 2022, as needed for Commission deliberation.

When preparing a proposed schedule for discussion at the prehearing conference, I request that parties structure the schedule as set forth below, with no less than eight weeks provided for the Commission's deliberation and preparation of an order after oral argument. Any proposed schedule also must include dates for regular settlement updates. In addition to regular updates, parties should plan to advise the Commission as soon as practicable when any settlement in principle is reached on any or all issues in order to determine whether any

schedule changes are appropriate. Finally, any filing deadlines in the procedural schedule will be set at 3:00 p.m. in order to provide adequate processing time for the Filing Center.

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Public Comment Hearing	
Proposed Budgets for Intervenor Funding	
Staff and Intervenor Opening Testimony	
Commissioner Workshop (if requested by Commission)	
Company Reply Testimony	
Staff and Intervenor Rebuttal Testimony	
Company Surrebuttal Testimony	
Pre-Hearing Briefs, Cross-Examination Statements, and Exhibits (all parties)	
Hearing	
Motions to Admit	
Company Opening Brief	
Staff and Intervenor Opening Briefs	
Company Closing Brief ¹	
Oral Argument	
Commission Order (target)	
Compliance Filing	
Rates Effective	

Dated this 12th day of July, 2021, at Salem, Oregon.

Alison Lackey
Administrative Law Judge

¹ Staff and Intervenors may file briefs on the same date, limited to rebuttal of issues raised in the opening briefs of parties other than the company.