ISSUED: October 18, 2023

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

**UE 416** 

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY,

Request for a General Rate Revision; and 2024 Annual Power Cost Update.

FIFTH SET OF BENCH REQUESTS (REVISED), 5-1 through 5-9.

The fifth set of bench requests is amended as follows based on the company's October 17th filing of revised response to bench request 3-1, Attachment A. Changes are underlined and in bold below.

- Stipulating Parties/403 (bill impacts provided with the sixth partial stipulation) and PGE's <u>revised</u> response to bench request 3-1, Attachment A (bill impacts resulting from the stipulations in this docket, including the October 2 MONET update). Provide a complete and detailed narrative explanation of the reasons for the differences between the bill impacts provided in Stipulating Parties/403 and PGE's <u>revised</u> response to bench request 3-1, Attachment A.
- 5-2 Refer to Stipulating Parties/403 (bill impacts provided with the sixth partial stipulation) and PGE's <u>revised</u> response to bench request 3-1, Attachment A (bill impacts resulting from the stipulations in this docket, including the October 2 MONET update). Provide separate detailed explanations of each of the following observed differences between.
  - a. Current revenues of \$2,376,583,530 in Stipulating Parties/403 and current revenues of \$2,376,009,252 in <u>revised</u> response to bench request 3-1 (decrease of \$574,278).
  - b. Proposed revenues of \$2,731,950,268 in Stipulating Parties/403 and proposed revenues of \$2,734,463,024 in revised response to bench request 3-1 (increase of \$2,512,756).
- Refer to PGE's response to Bench Request 3-1(a)(noting that "wildfire mitigation amounts are included within current revenues, but not proposed revenues" and Stipulating Parties/403 ("amounts and percentages do not include wildfire mitigation costs"). Please confirm the treatment of wildfire mitigation revenues in each table.

- i. Confirm that wildfire mitigation revenues are excluded from both current and proposed revenues in Stipulating Parties/403.
- ii. Confirm that wildfire mitigation revenues are included in the current revenues in PGE's <u>revised</u> response to bench request 3-1, Attachment A, and are excluded from proposed revenues in PGE's <u>revised</u> response to bench request 3-1, Attachment A.
- iii. Please provide a detailed explanation of how the wildfire mitigation costs were removed from general rates for recovery via Schedule 151, addressing with specificity how each capital and O&M expenses were adjusted.
- Refer to Order No. 23-039, Modified General Protective Order, Appendix A at 1 ("The party should make reasonable efforts to designate as Protected Information only the portions of the information covered by ORCP 36(C)(l)") and PGE's response to bench request 3-1, Attachment B (Table 4, projected increase to overall customer rates effective January 1, 2024).
  - a. Please provide a revised version of PGE's response to bench request 3-1, Attachment B redacting only the information covered by ORCP 36(c)(1).
  - b. For any information redacted in the response to (a), provide an explanation for how the redacted information falls within the scope of ORCP 36(C)(l).
- 8-5 Refer to Order No. 23-039, Modified General Protective Order, Appendix A at 1 ("The party should make reasonable efforts to designate as Protected Information only the portions of the information covered by ORCP 36(C)(l)") and PGE's response to bench request 3-2, Attachment A (separate rate adjustment changes proposed effective January 1, 2024).
  - a. Please provide a revised version of PGE's response to bench request 3-2, Attachment A redacting only the information covered by ORCP 36(c)(1).
  - b. For any information redacted in the response to (a), provide an explanation for how the redacted information falls within the scope of ORCP 36(C)(l).

Refer to PGE's response to bench request 3-1, Attachment B (Table 4, projected increase to overall customer rates effective January 1, 2024), currently designated as confidential. **BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL** 

whether there is a proposed rate adjustment for effect January 1, 2024, and the change associated with each, expressed both in dollar and percentage terms. To the extent that the referenced information is deemed non-confidential in response to 5-4, above, please provide this as a non-redacted response.

- 5-7 Refer to PGE's response to bench request 3-2 (stating "a Schedule 122 (Renewable Automatic Adjustment Clause) request for recovery of the Clearwater Wind Project is forthcoming, which will have an effective date sometime in mid-2024. PGE currently expects the Clearwater request to result in a net credit to customers due to a forecast reduction in Net Variable Power Costs.") Please explain whether the forecast reduction in NVPC associated with the Clearwater Wind Project is included in the 2024 NVPC forecasts filed to date. If not, please explain whether it will be included in the November 7th or November 15th MONET updates.
- 5-8 Provide an estimate of the resulting bill impacts for the total projected increase to overall customer rates effective January 1, 2024. This includes the changes to general rates and power cost rates that would result from the adoption of the stipulations filed in this docket and all other rate adjustments anticipated or proposed for effect January 1, 2024, outside of this docket (e.g., Schedule 151). This is a repetition of bench request 3-1(b) and should be treated as an ongoing request with an updated response to include the changes to Schedules 109 and 125 once available. This response should be provided with the company's November 7 and November 15 MONET updates. As part of each response to this request, please provide the monthly bill impact on the average residential customer (also identifying average monthly use), not eligible for Schedule 18, in dollars and percentage terms.
- 5-9 Refer to PGE's original and revised responses to bench request 3-1,
  Attachment A. Please explain all changes or corrections made in the revised version relative to the original version.

The company is directed to file responses to bench requests 5-1 through 5-7, and 5-9 by 3:00 p.m., on October 20, 2023. The parties may file replies by 3:00 p.m., on October 24,

2023. The responses to bench request 5-8 are due with the company's November 7 and November 15 MONET updates.

Dated this 18th day of October, 2023, at Salem, Oregon.

Alison Lackey

Administrative Law Judge