ISSUED: February 9, 2005

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1169

In the Matter of	)	
	)	RULING
An investigation related to the	)	
implementation of ORS 757.612.	)	

DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE MODIFIED; DATE FOR RESPONSES SET

On February 4, 2005, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) filed a motion to suspend this proceeding. CUB's request is supported by the Commission Staff, Department of Energy, Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, Associated Oregon Industries and the Northwest Energy Coalition. CUB states that Portland General Electric Company (PGE) does not oppose the motion.

For a variety of reasons, CUB contends that this investigation is premature. It believes that the docket should be suspended until a conservation potential study covering the service territories of PGE and PacifiCorp is completed, and the Commission's investigation of least cost planning, docket UM 1056, is finished. Because opening briefs are due on February 18, CUB requests either an expedited treatment of this motion, or in the alternative, a delay in the filing of legal briefs to allow parties to respond.

CUB's alternative request is granted. To provide sufficient time to consider the motion, and to allow time for any objections to the request to suspend, the procedural schedule is modified as follows:

Event	Old Date	New Date
Opening Briefs	February 18, 2005	March 4, 2005
Response Briefs	March 18, 2005	April 1, 2005

Furthermore, any party opposed to CUB's motion must file a response by Monday, February 15, 2005. See OAR 860-011-0000(6).

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 9th day of February, 2005.

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Christina M. Smith
Administrative Law Judge