

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1854

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Application to Lower the Standard Price and
Standard Contract Eligibility Cap for Solar
Qualifying Facilities.

RULING

DISPOSITION: LIMITATIONS ON DISCOVERY CLARIFIED

On July 13, 2017, I issued a Prehearing Conference Memorandum adopting the following schedule:

EVENT	DATE
Staff's and Intervenors' Responses to Motion for Interim Relief	July 27, 2017
PGE's Reply to Responses	August 3, 2017

To facilitate the limited discovery discussed at the July 12, 2017 conference, I shortened the turn-around on discovery to 3 business days.

On July 18, 2017, Portland General Electric Company (PGE) filed a Request for Emergency Conference stating it received a total of 78 data requests, many of which sought detailed information on over 125 qualifying facility projects and contracts. PGE stated that it attempted to resolve this issue informally but could not come to agreement with some of the parties. In its request, PGE requested that I:

- (1) Limit the number of data requests from one party to any other party to 10 requests.
- (2) Require NIPPC/REC and Strata Solar to identify which 10 data requests from their respective existing requests they want PGE to answer and grant PGE 3 business days to respond once the 10 requests have been identified by each party.
- (3) Clarify that regular discovery will resume once briefing on PGE's motion for interim relief is complete and the Commission has issued an order on the motion.

On July 19, 2017, a telephone conference was held to consider PGE's request. At the conference, I clarified:

- (1) Each party is limited to 10 data requests.
- (2) PGE has 3 business days to respond to requests.
- (3) Parties who have already submitted requests may indicate to PGE which 10 of those requests to pursue, and PGE has 2 business days to respond to those requests.
- (4) Counsel for NIPPC and the Coalition will serve to ALJ Grant a copy of the initial requests submitted and any new requests. PGE will have 3 business days to respond to new requests promulgated by NIPPC and the Coalition.

I further clarified that no discovery requests are allowed during the time for PGE to reply to the responses of parties (July 28 – August 3, 2017). Once PGE files its reply on August 3, 2017, normal discovery may resume.

Dated this 20th day of July, 2017, at Salem, Oregon.



Michael Grant
Chief Administrative Law Judge