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Portland General Electric Company

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RE: Advice No. 22-20

At the public meeting on November 1, 2022, the Commission adopted Staff's recommendation in this matter docketed as ADV 1429. The Staff Report and a receipted copy of the sheets in your advice filing are attached.

Nolan Moser

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Public Utility Commission of Oregon

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: November 1, 2022**

**REGULAR**  **CONSENT**  **EFFECTIVE DATE** November 2, 2022

**DATE:** October 17, 2022

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

**FROM:** Bret Stevens

**THROUGH:** Bryan Conway, Marc Hellman, and Matt Muldoon **SIGNED**

**SUBJECT:** PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC:  
(Docket No. ADV 1429/Advice No. 22-20)  
IBEW Local 125 Labor Rate Update.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Commission approve Portland General Electric Company's (PGE or Company) filing of IBEW Local 125 Labor Rate Update associated with tariff P.U.C. No. 18, effective for service rendered on and after November 2, 2022.

**DISCUSSION:**

Issue

Whether the Commission should approve PGE's request to update selected Luminaire Schedules affected by PGE's increased labor rates as a result of the Company's Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local Union No. 125 (Agreement).

Applicable Law

Under ORS 757.205(1):

Every public utility shall file with the Public Utility Commission, within a time to be fixed by the commission, schedules, which shall be open to public inspection, showing all rates, tolls, and charges which it has established, and which are in force at the time for any service performed by it within the state, or for any service in connection therewith or performed by any public utility controlled or operated by it.

The Commission may approve tariff changes if they are deemed fair, just, and reasonable. ORS 757.210.

Tariff revisions may be made by filing revised sheets with the information required under the Commission's administrative rules, including OAR 860-022-0025.

OAR 860-022-0025(2) specifically requires that each energy utility changing existing tariffs or schedules must include in its filing a statement plainly indicating the increase, decrease, or other change made with the filing, the number of customers affected by the proposed change and the resulting change in annual revenue; and the reasons or grounds relied upon in support of the proposed change.

Filings that propose any change in rates, tolls, charges, rules, or regulations must be filed with the Commission at least 30 days before the effective date of the change. ORS 757.220; OAR 860-022-0015. Tariff filings to be effective on less than 30 days following notice of the change may be authorized with a waiver of less than statutory notice pursuant to ORS 757.220 and OAR 860-022-0020.

OAR 860-022-0030(1) further requires that for tariff or schedule filings proposing increased rates, the utility must for each separate schedule:

- Identify the total number of customers affected;
- Identify the total annual revenue derived under the existing schedule and the amount of estimated revenue which will be derived from applying the proposed schedule;
- Provide the average monthly use and resulting bills under both the existing rates and the proposed rates that will fairly represent the application of the proposed tariff or schedules; and
- Outline the reasons or grounds relied upon in support of the proposed increase.

### Analysis

On September 20, 2022, PGE submitted its Advice Filing No. 22-20. In this filing, PGE proposes to increase rates to reflect updated labor rates resulting from its recent negotiations with IBEW Local 125, with a requested effective date of November 2, 2022. These updated rates would affect the following tariff sheets associated with Tariff P.U.C. No. 18: Sheet No. 91-8, Sheet No. 95-7, Sheet No. 300-1, Sheet No. 491-8, Sheet No. 495-7, Sheet No. 591-7, and Sheet No. 595-5.

This filing requests a labor rate update that includes a \$2 increase per hour to PGE's Straight Time Labor Rate and a \$6 increase per hour in PGE's Overtime Labor Rate for crews to replace non-repairable luminaires not owned by PGE. The labor rate update also decreases the billing rate for "Other than crew hours" (trouble calls) by \$10 per hour.

**Table 1: Proposed Labor Rate Changes**

<b>Service Type</b>	<b>Current Rate \$/hour</b>	<b>Proposed Rate \$/hour</b>	<b>Change in Rate \$/hour</b>
Straight Time for non-PGE luminaires	\$124	\$126	+\$2
Overtime for non-PGE luminaires	\$155	\$161	+\$6
Trouble Calls	\$270	\$260	-\$10

PGE's pertinent labor rates are published under Schedules:

- Twentieth Revision of Sheet No. 91-8,
- Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 95-7,
- Twenty-Third Revision of Sheet No. 300-1,
- Sixteenth Revision of Sheet No. 491-8,
- Seventh Revision of Sheet No. 495-7,
- Twenty-Sixth Revision of Sheet No. 591-7, and
- Tenth Revision of Sheet No. 595-5.

PGE lighting labor rates apply to municipalities and state and federal agencies that have PGE street-lighting service or use. Specifically, the labor rates apply to the charges for replacement of luminaires owned by customers.

PGE has approximately 200 Customers on the above listed street-lighting schedules. The revenue from this change depends on the number of replacements each year and the number of trouble calls that require after-hours crews.

Staff reviewed PGE's filing, labor rates from the CBA, and spreadsheets that use these labor rates to construct the crew rates described above. Staff also met with PGE on

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September 29, 2022, to get background on the proposed rate changes and PGE's justifications.

### Conclusion

Staff finds the Company has met the requirements of statute and administrative rule. Staff also submitted clarification requests for information by phone and e-mail, and reviewed PGE's responses to those requests. Staff has verified that the rates in the Company's filing are consistent with the rates derived from the CBA labor rate sheet and are reasonable.

The Company has reviewed this memo and agrees with its contents.

### **PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Approve PGE's Advice No. 22-20, IBEW Local 125 Labor Rate Update, effective for service rendered on and after November 2, 2022.

PGE ADV 1429/Advice No. 22-20 IBEW Labor Rate Update

**SCHEDULE 91 (Continued)**

**ELECTION WINDOW**

Balance-of-Year Election Window

The Balance-of-Year Election Window begins at 8:00 a.m. on February 15<sup>th</sup> (or the following business day if the 15<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or holiday). The Window will remain open from 8:00 a.m. of the first day through 5:00 p.m. of the third business day of the Election Window.

During the Balance-of-Year Election Window, a Customer may notify the Company of its choice to move to Direct Access Service. For the February 15<sup>th</sup> election, the move is effective on the following April 1<sup>st</sup>. A Customer may not choose to move from an alternative option back to Cost of service during a Balance-of-Year Election Window.

November Election Window

Enrollment for the November Election Window begins at 2:00 p.m. on November 15<sup>th</sup> (or the following business day if the 15<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or holiday). The November Election Window will remain open until 5:00 p.m. at the close of the fifth consecutive business day.

During a November Election Window, a Customer may notify the Company of its choice to change to any service options for an effective date of January 1<sup>st</sup>.

During an Election Window, Customers may notify the Company of a choice to change service options using the Company's website, [PortlandGeneral.com/business](http://PortlandGeneral.com/business)

**REPLACEMENT OF NON-REPAIRABLE LUMINAIRES INSTALLATION LABOR RATES**

Labor Rate	Straight Time	Overtime <sup>(1)</sup>	
	\$126.00 per hour	\$161.00 per hour	<b>(I)</b>

(1) Per Article 20.2 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Union No. 125 Contract, overtime is paid at the Overtime Rate for a minimum of one hour.

**SCHEDULE 95 (Continued)**

**REPLACEMENT OF NON-REPAIRABLE LUMINAIRES INSTALLATION LABOR RATES**

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	\$126.00 per hour	\$161.00 per hour	<b>(I)</b>

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**RATES FOR STANDARD LIGHTING**

**Light-Emitting Diode (LED) Only – Option A and Option B Service Rates**

LED lighting is new to the Company and pricing is changing rapidly. The Company may adjust rates under this schedule based on actual frequency of maintenance occurrences and changes in material prices.

<u>Type of Light</u>	<u>Watts</u>	<u>Nominal Lumens</u>	<u>Monthly kWh</u>	<u>Monthly Rates</u>	
				<u>Option A</u>	<u>Option B</u>
Roadway LED	>20-25	3,000	8	\$4.81	\$0.41
	>25-30	3,470	9	4.81	0.41
	>30-35	2,530	11	5.09	0.41
	>35-40	4,245	13	4.81	0.41
	>40-45	5,020	15	4.95	0.41
	>45-50	3,162	16	5.06	0.41
	>50-55	3,757	18	5.31	0.42
	>55-60	4,845	20	4.95	0.41
	>60-65	4,700	21	4.95	0.41
	>65-70	5,050	23	5.53	0.42
	>70-75	7,640	25	5.58	0.43
	>75-80	8,935	26	5.58	0.43
	>80-85	9,582	28	5.58	0.43
	>85-90	10,230	30	5.58	0.43
	>90-95	9,928	32	5.58	0.43
	>95-100	11,719	33	5.58	0.43
	>100-110	7,444	36	5.92	0.43
	>110-120	12,340	39	5.58	0.43
	>120-130	13,270	43	5.58	0.43
	>130-140	14,200	46	6.52	0.45
	>140-150	15,250	50	7.49	0.48
	>150-160	16,300	53	7.49	0.48
	>160-170	17,300	56	7.49	0.48
	>170-180	18,300	60	7.38	0.47
	>180-190	19,850	63	7.49	0.48
	>190-200	21,400	67	7.70	0.48

**SCHEDULE 300  
CHARGES AS DEFINED BY THE RULES AND REGULATIONS  
AND MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this schedule is to list the charges referred to in the General Rules and Regulations.

**AVAILABLE**

In all territory served by the Company.

**APPLICABLE**

For all Customers utilizing the services of the Company as defined and described in the General Rules and Regulations.

**INTEREST ACCRUED ON DEPOSITS (See Rules E and K)**

0.1% per annum.

**BILLING RATES (Rules E, F, H and J)**

Trouble call, cause in Customer-owned equipment

Scheduled Crew Hours <sup>(1)</sup>	No charge	(R)
Other than Scheduled Crew Hours <sup>(1)</sup>	\$260.00	
Returned Payment Charge	\$ 25.00	
Special Meter Reading Charge (non-network)	\$ 17.00	
Meter Test Charge	\$ 75.00	
Late Payment Charge (monthly)	2.0% of delinquent balance	
Field Visit Charge <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 20.00	
Bill History Information Service Charge (Not applicable when a billing dispute is filed with the Commission - see Rule F)	\$ 32.00	
Portfolio Enrollment Charge	\$ 5.00	
Customer Interval Data (12 months) to Customers	\$100.00	
Customer Interval Data (12 months, formatted and analyzed)	Mutually agreed price	
Switching Fee	\$20.00	
Unauthorized Connection of Service / Tamper Fee	\$75.00	

(1) Scheduled Crew Hours - The Company's Scheduled Crew Hours for the above listed services are from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for Company-recognized holidays. The Customer will be informed of and agree to the charges before Company personnel are dispatched.

(2) See Rule H, Section 2 for applicable conditions.



**SCHEDULE 491 (Continued)**

**REPLACEMENT OF NON-REPAIRABLE LUMINAIRES INSTALLATION LABOR RATES**

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**RATES FOR STANDARD LIGHTING  
High-Pressure Sodium (HPS) Only – Service Rates**

<u>Type of Light</u>	<u>Watts</u>	Nomina   Monthly		Monthly Rates		
		<u>Lumens</u>	<u>kWh</u>	<u>Option A</u>	<u>Option B</u>	<u>Option C</u>
Cobrahead Power Doors **	70	6,300	30	*	\$2.50	\$1.69
	100	9,500	43	*	3.35	2.42
	150	16,000	62	*	4.30	3.49
	200	22,000	79	*	5.41	4.44
	250	29,000	102	*	6.54	5.73
	400	50,000	163	*	10.15	9.16
Cobrahead, Non-Power Door	70	6,300	30	\$6.68	2.79	2.42
	100	9,500	43	7.09	3.47	2.42
	150	16,000	62	8.23	4.55	3.49
	200	22,000	79	9.86	5.57	4.44
	250	29,000	102	10.74	6.80	5.73
	400	50,000	163	14.37	10.26	9.16
Flood	250	29,000	102	12.13	7.00	5.73
	400	50,000	163	15.56	10.43	9.16
Early American Post-Top	100	9,500	43	8.04	3.62	2.42
Shoebox (Bronze color, flat Lens, or drop lens, multi-volt)	70	6,300	30	6.96	2.84	1.69
	100	9,500	43	*	3.64	2.42
	150	16,000	62	*	4.77	3.49

\* Not offered.

\*\* Service is only available to customers with total power doors luminaires in excess of 2,500.

**SCHEDULE 495 (Continued)**

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**SCHEDULE 595 (Continued)**

**STREETLIGHT POLES SERVICE OPTIONS**

Option A and Option B – Poles

See Schedule 91/591 for Streetlight poles service options.

**MONTHLY RATE**

The service rates for Option A and Option B lights include the following charges for each installed luminaire based on the Monthly kWhs applicable to each luminaire.

Distribution Charge 5.622 ¢ per kWh

Energy Charge Provided by Electricity Service Supplier

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