

ORDER NO. 03-405

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of	)	
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CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD	)	ORDER
	)	
Request for Intervenor Funding.	)	

**DISPOSITION: PAYMENT OF FUNDS ORDERED**

On July 2, 2003, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) issued Order No. 03-388. The order adopted temporary rules on intervenor funding and approved the Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement) between PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), Northwest Natural Gas Company (Northwest Natural), Northwest Industrial Gas Users, Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB), and Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, signed February 5, 2003.

The Agreement implements Or Laws 2003, Ch. 234 (Senate Bill 205), which the Governor signed into law on June 6, 2003. This statute authorizes the Commission to approve written agreements for intervenor funding grants between electric and natural gas utilities and organizations representing broad customer interests. The purpose of the Agreement is to make funds available in a pilot project to qualified parties to enable them to advocate on behalf of broad customer interests in proceedings before the Commission.

Section 7.1 of the Agreement provides that "[u]pon request by CUB, the Commission will direct the Participating Public Utilities to pay the amounts made available for CUB Fund Grants pursuant to the terms of this agreement." CUB filed a request for payment of CUB Fund Grants on July 7, 2003. The amounts made available for the CUB Fund Grants are \$50,000 for each of the three participating public utilities which are: PacifiCorp, PGE and Northwest Natural. The Agreement states that the utilities shall pay the amounts no later than 30 days after receipt of this order.

**ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to the Intervenor Funding Agreement, PacifiCorp, Portland General Electric Company and Northwest Natural Gas Company each pays to the Citizens' Utility Board the amounts made available for the CUB Fund Grants.

Made, entered and effective \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Roy Hemmingway**  
Chairman

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**Lee Beyer**  
Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.