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## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

### **OF OREGON**

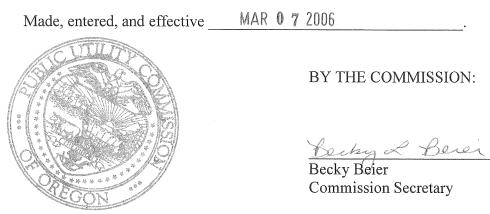
# UE 178

In the Matter of	)	
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC	)	ORDER
Proposed Tariff for Electric Service. Advice No. 06-1	)	

#### DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED

On January 20, 2006, PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC filed tariff sheets in Advice No. 06-1 to be effective March 8, 2006. The terms of the proposed tariff sheets are set forth in the Staff Report dated February 8, 2006, attached as the Appendix to this order.

At its March 7, 2006, public meeting, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon found good and sufficient cause exists to investigate the propriety and reasonableness of the tariff sheets pursuant to ORS 757.210 and 757.215. The Commission ordered suspension of the advice pending that investigation. IT IS ORDERED that Advice No. 06-1 filed by PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC is suspended for a period of time not to exceed nine months from March 8, 2006, the effective date of the tariff sheets.



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 by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.

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ITEM NO. 2

## PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: March 7, 2006

REGULAR X CONSENT EFFECTIVE DATE March 8, 2006

DATE: February 8, 2006

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

FROM: Judy Johnson  $\Im \partial$ 

THROUGH: Lee Sparling and Ed Busch

**SUBJECT:** <u>PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC</u>: (Docket No. UE 178/Advice No. 06-1) Establishes Schedule 140, Automatic Tax Adjustment.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

I recommend that the Commission suspend Portland General Electric's application for revised and new tariff schedules in Advice No. 06-1.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

On November 22, 2005, the Commission accepted Staff's recommendation that Portland General Electric (PGE) file an automatic adjustment clause tariff in compliance with the requirements of Senate Bill 408. This filing is in compliance with that requirement. There would be currently no rate effect for this filing. The rates are set to zero until the tax report for 2006 is filed in October of 2007.

Staff recommends the Commission suspend the tariffs for investigation. PGE, Staff and other parties are conducting workshops in Docket AR 499, which will implement permanent rules to implement SB 408. Suspending the tariffs will enable the Commission in AR 499 to thoroughly investigate and determine how an automatic adjustment clause should be calculated. The company's proposed tariffs contain definitions and terms that have not been agreed to by the AR 499 participants or adopted by the Commission.

ORS 757.215(1) allows the Commission to suspend the proposed tariffs an additional three months if it finds the investigation will not be completed by the end of the initial sixmonth suspension period. Due to the complexity of the issues, Staff believes there is sufficient cause for the Commission to determine that the investigation cannot be

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completed within the initial suspension period, and the additional three-month suspension should be approved at this time.

#### **PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Portland General Electric's application for revised and new tariff schedules in Advice No. 06-1 (UE 178), with a proposed effective date of March 8, 2006, be suspended for nine months.

PGE Advice 06-1

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