BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UE 180

In the Matter of)	
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	ORDER
Proposed Tariff for Electric Service.)	
Advice No. 06-8)	

DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED

On March 15, 2006, PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC filed tariff sheets in Advice No. 06-8 to be effective April 14, 2006. The terms of the proposed tariff sheets are set forth in the Staff Report dated March 23, 2006, attached as the Appendix to this order.

At its April 11, 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. 06-8 filed by PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC is suspended for a period of time not to exceed nine months from April 14, 2006, the effective date of the tariff sheets.

Made, entered, and effective APR 1 2 2006

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BY THE COMMISSION:

Becky Beier Commission Secretary

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: April 11, 2006

REGULAR X CONSENT EFFECTIVE DATE April 14, 2006

DATE:

March 23, 2006

TO:

Public Utility Commission

FROM:

Judy Johnson 88

THROUGH: Lee Sparling and Ed Busch

SUBJECT: PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC: (Docket No. UE 180/Advice

No. 06-8) Requests a general rate increase in the company's Oregon

annual revenues of \$85,123,000, or 5.8 percent overall.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend that the Commission suspend Portland General Electric's application for revised tariff schedules in Advice No. 06-8.

DISCUSSION:

On March 15, 2006, Portland General Electric (PGE) filed Advice No. 06-8, an application for revised tariff schedules. The filing has been docketed as UE 180. The tariffs would implement a general rate revision, increasing PGE's revenues by \$85 million, or 5.8 percent overall. The percentage increases by rate class are 5.7 percent for residential customers, 7.9 percent for small non-residential customers, 5.4 percent for large non-residential customers, and 10.6 percent for lighting and signal customers

In addition, the company is requesting approval for the Port Westward generating plant. The plant is not scheduled to be in service until early spring of 2007 and the rate increase associated with the plant would not take effect until the plant is actually in service. The rate increase associated with Port Westward is approximately \$44 million or 2.9 percent.

Staff recommends the Commission suspend the tariffs for investigation. Suspending the tariffs will allow the Commission to evaluate the reasonableness of the company's proposed rates. ORS 757.215(1) allows the Commission to suspend the proposed rates PGE Docket UE 180/ Advice No. 06-8 March 23, 2006 Page 2

an additional three months if it finds the investigation will not be completed by the end of the initial six-month suspension period. Due to the size of the increase and the complexity of the case, Staff believes there is sufficient cause for the Commission to determine that the investigation cannot be completed within the initial suspension period, and the additional three-month suspension should be approved at this time.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

PGE's application for revised tariff schedules in Advice No. 06-8 (UE 180), with a proposed effective date of April 14, 2006, be suspended for nine months.

PGE 06-8