

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of the	)	
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PACIFICORP, dba	)	ORDER
PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY	)	
	)	
Request for a General Rate Increase in the	)	
Company's Oregon Annual Revenues.	)	

**DISPOSITION: ISSUE FUND GRANT REQUEST APPROVED**

On September 29, 2006, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU) filed a Request for Payment of PacifiCorp's Issue Fund Grant with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission). In Order No. 06-264, the Commission previously approved ICNU's budget for \$40,000. ICNU now seeks payment of \$40,000 for eligible expenses it incurred in this proceeding.

Article 7.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), which the Commission adopted in Order No. 03-388, governs the procedures for payment of Issue Fund Grants. To be eligible to receive intervenor funding under the agreement, an intervenor must become either precertified under Article 5.2 of the agreement or case-certified under Article 5.3 of the Agreement. The Commission precertified ICNU for Issue Fund Grants in Order No. 03-502.

Under Article 7.3 of the IFA, the Request for Payment must:

- 1) Itemize the expenses, payees, and hourly rates of amounts to be reimbursed;
- 2) Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget; and
- 3) Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any conditions imposed on the Issue Fund Grant.

We find that ICNU has met the requirements of the IFA, and its request should be approved. Article 7.2 of the IFA provides that the utility shall pay the Issue Fund Grant to the requesting intervenor within 30 days after receipt of the Commission directive.

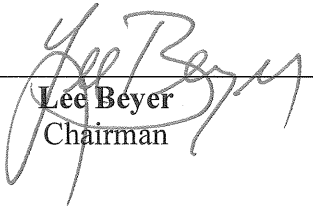
The IFA also provides that the Commission shall make a determination in each proceeding as to how the participating utilities are to recover the funding grants from the various customer classes. Pursuant to Article 7.7(b), Issue Fund Grants should be allocated so as to fairly align the costs of the advocacy with the intended potential beneficiaries of the advocacy. We have considered the intended beneficiaries, and find that the issue fund expenditures should be allocated to PacifiCorp's industrial customers.

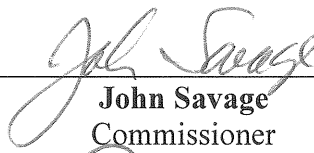
**ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities has met the requirements of the Intervenor Funding Agreement, and its request is approved.
- 2. PacifiCorp shall pay \$40,000 from its Issue Fund to the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities within 30 days after receipt of this Order, and the grant shall be assessed to PacifiCorp's industrial customers.

Made, entered, and effective           OCT 09 2006          .

  
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**Lee Beyer**  
 Chairman

  
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**John Savage**  
 Commissioner

  
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**Ray Baum**  
 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 by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183-484.