

ORDER NO. 11 049

ENTERED FEB 08 2011

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1396

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF  
OREGON

Investigation into determination of resource  
sufficiency, under Order No. 06-358,  
Phase 2.

ORDER

**DISPOSITION: PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ISSUE FUND  
GRANTS APPROVED**

On February 4, 2011, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) filed a proposed budget for Issue Fund Grants in this proceeding. CUB's proposed budget shows eligible expenses in the amount of \$15,000; and it seeks an Issue Fund Grant from the Portland General Electric Company (PGE) Issue Fund in the amount of \$5,000, an Issue Fund Grant from the PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power (Pacific Power) Issue Fund in the amount of \$5,000, and an Issue Fund Grant from the Idaho Power Company (Idaho Power) Issue Fund in the amount of \$2,000.

The First Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), approved by the Commission in Order No. 07-564 and the Intervenor Funding Agreement with Idaho Power (IPIFA) approved by the Commission in Order No. 10-396, provide that precertified intervenors must submit a proposed issue fund budget to the Commission that contains, at a minimum, the following information:

- 1) A statement of the work to be performed;
- 2) A description of the areas to be investigated;
- 3) A description of the particular customer class(es) that will benefit from the intervenor's participation;
- 4) Identification of the specific fund accounts from which the intervenor is seeking monies and an estimate of the amount of available funds in that account;
- 5) A budget showing estimated attorney, consultant and expert witness fees, which may include the cost for appropriate support staff and operations support; and
- 6) A representation that the intervenor will use matching funds in the form of either in-house resources or outside funding to account for or

pay at least 20 percent of the eligible expenses for which the intervenor is seeking an Issue Fund Grant.

Once a proposed budget is received, we decide whether Issue Fund Grants are available for use based on factors identified in the IFA. We have the authority to accept, deny or partially deny the request, and may place reasonable conditions on the grant.

CUB was automatically precertified to receive Issue Fund Grants under Section 5.2(a) of the IFA, Article 5 of the IPIFA, and OAR 860-001-0120(3)(a). CUB's proposed budget includes the requisite information and reflects the current schedule adopted in this docket.


In light of the issues being addressed, the complexity of the issues, and the significant policy decisions to be made, we believe that CUB's proposed budget is reasonable and should be approved.

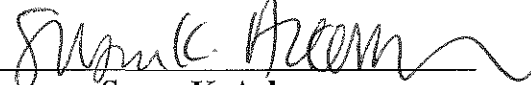
**ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon's proposed budget for Issue Fund Grants is approved.
2. Issue Fund Grants are approved up to \$5,000 each from the Portland General Electric Company and the PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, Issue Funds; and up to \$2,000 from the Idaho Power Company Issue Fund.

Made, entered, and effective FEB 08 2011

  
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**John Savage**  
 Commissioner

  
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**Susan K. Ackerman**  
 Commissioner

