ORDER NO. 11 177

ENTERED MAY 26 2011

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1050 and UE 227

In the Matters of

PACIFICORP

Request to Initiate an Investigation of Multi-Jurisdictional Issues and Approve an Inter-Jurisdictional Cost Allocation Protocol (UM 1050)

ORDER

And

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER

2010 Transition Adjustment Mechanism (UE 227).

DISPOSITION: PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR ISSUE FUND GRANTS APPROVED

On May 18, 2011, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) filed a motion to amend its proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant in docket UM 1050 and simultaneously filed its proposed budget in docket UE 277. CUB's motion to amend its UM 1050 proposed budget requests immediate release of \$13, 653 from that proposed budget so that those funds will be available for its use in docket UE 227. CUB's proposed budget in UE 227 shows eligible expenses in the amount of \$17,065.70; and it seeks an Issue Fund Grant for UE 227 in the amount of \$13,653.

The First Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), approved by the Commission in Order No. 07-564, provides 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 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 requests for immediate release of funds from its UM 1050 proposed budget and its proposed budget in UE 227 are reasonable and should be approved.

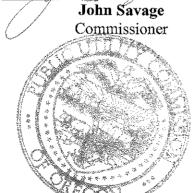
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IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon's request for immediate release of \$13,653 from its UM 1050 proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant is approved.
- 2. The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon's proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant in UE 227 is approved.
- 3. An Issue Fund Grant is approved up to \$13,653 in UE 227.

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Susan K. Ackerman Commissioner