

ORDER NO. 11 369

ENTERED SEP 26 2011

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1357 (31)

In the Matter of

INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF
NORTHWEST UTILITIES

ORDER

Request for Intervenor Funding.

DISPOSITION: MATCHING GRANT REQUEST APPROVED

On September 15, 2011, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) a Request for Payment of a Preauthorized Matching Grant. Section 7.2 of the First Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), adopted by the Commission in Order No. 07-564, provides that the Commission will grant such a request if the intervenor satisfies the requirements under the terms of the Agreement.

ICNU asks for \$57,500 from the PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power (Pacific Power) Preauthorized Matching Fund Account. Funds from Pacific Power's Preauthorized Matching Fund Account are available for use exclusively by ICNU. Section 7.2 of the IFA, governs the procedures for payment of Matching Grants. To be eligible to receive intervenor funding under the IFA, an intervenor must become either precertified under section 5.2 of the IFA or case certified under section 5.3 of the IFA. ICNU was precertified to receive intervenor funding grants in Order No. 03-502.

Under the terms of the Section 7.2 of the IFA, ICNU must establish that it has "used in-house resources or outside funding for at least 50 percent of the Eligible Expenses for an Eligible Proceeding." ICNU provided such documentation in its request.

Section 7.7 of the IFA 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. Under Section 7.7(b) the "Preauthorized Matching Grants shall be allocated and charged to industrial customers."

We find that ICNU has met the requirements of the IFA, and its request should be approved. Section 7.2 of the IFA provides that the utility shall pay the Preauthorized


Matching Grant to the requesting intervenor within 30 days after receipt of Commission directive.

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, dba Pacific Power shall pay \$57,500 from the Pacific Power Preauthorized Matching Fund to the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities within 30 days after receipt of this Order, and the grant shall be assessed to Pacific Power's industrial customers.

Made, entered, and effective SEP 26 2011



John Savage
Commissioner



Susan K. Ackerman
Commissioner

