

ORDER NO. 12 400

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1538

In the Matter of

DYNAMIC POWER INNOVATION on  
behalf of LAKE OSWEGO CORP MARINA

Request for Waiver of the 12-Month Solar  
Photovoltaic System Installment Requirement  
per OAR 860-084-0210(1).

ORDER

DISPOSITION: STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED

At its Public Meeting on October 23, 2012, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon adopted Staff's recommendation in this matter, attached as Appendix A.

BY THE COMMISSION:



*Becky L. Beier*

**Becky L. Beier**  
Commission Secretary

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under 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 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480 through 183.484.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: October 23, 2012

REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_ CONSENT  X  EFFECTIVE DATE  October 23, 2012

DATE: October 8, 2012

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Robert J. Procter *ME for BP.*  
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THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer and Maury Galbraith *ME*

SUBJECT: OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION STAFF: (Docket No. UM 1538) Request by Dynamic Power Innovation on behalf of Lake Oswego Corp Marina for a waiver of the 12-month solar photovoltaic system installation requirement pursuant to OAR 860-084-0210(1).

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Commission grant the waiver request to Dynamic Power Innovation and extend the installation deadline to November 14, 2012.

**DISCUSSION:**

Dynamic Power Innovation is submitting this request on behalf of their customer, Lake Oswego Corp Marina (Marina), which has a Portland General Electric Solar Payment Program reservation (E8X202) with an installation deadline of October 14, 2012. Dynamic Power Innovation is requesting a 30-day extension, from October 14, 2012, to November 14, 2012, to the OAR 860-084-0210(1) Installation requirements in order to allow time for the system completion.

During the original application period, all Board members of the Marina were in agreement to apply for, and install, a 10.0 kWh roof mount solar array. During the following months, the Marina suffered some unforeseen expenses, which caused some members of the Board to request a delay in the installation. In July 2012 at their annual budget meeting, the Marina Board unanimously agreed to proceed with the installation. Even though the Marina decided to move forward in July, it took until their September board meeting before they formally adopted the budget supporting the project. As a result, Dynamic Power Innovation didn't have an official go-ahead until that time.

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One potential problem is securing the required electrical and building permits in a timely fashion. Their previous experience with permitting is that the required permits can be received on the day of submission or take as long as two weeks.

Dynamic Power Innovation has submitted a preliminary building permit application to the City of Lake Oswego. The supporting documents (i.e., racking, structural engineering, electrical schematics, and product cut sheets) were submitted on October 2, 2012.

While Staff believes there is a "reasonable" chance that the installation can be completed by the current installation deadline, it appears prudent that they file for a short 30-day extension. Dynamic Power Innovation has agreed to keep Commission staff apprised of their progress.

**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Applicant's request for waiver of the 12-month installation requirement be granted and the deadline be extended to November 14, 2012.