

ORDER NO. 13 370

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1538

In the Matter of

BALEY-TROTMAN FARMS,

Request for Waiver of the 12-month Solar
Photovoltaic System Installation Requirement
under OAR 860-084-0210(1).

ORDER

DISPOSITION: STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED

At its public meeting on October 15, 2013, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon adopted Staff's recommendation in this matter. The Staff Report with the recommendation is attached as Appendix A.

BY THE COMMISSION:



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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.

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: October 15, 2013

REGULAR _____ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE October 15, 2013

DATE: October 7, 2013

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Adam Bless *AB*

THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer, Maury Galbraith and Aster Adams
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SUBJECT: OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION STAFF: (Docket No. UM 1538) Request by RS Energy LLC 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 RS Energy LLC, and extend the installation deadline to January 12, 2014.

DISCUSSION:

RS Energy LLC requests a three month extension of the installation deadline of a solar photovoltaic system (SPV) under the Pacific Power Solar Incentive Program. RS Energy LLC makes this request on behalf of Baley Trotman Farms.

Baley Trotman Farms was approved to participate in the Solar Incentive Program with a capacity reservation start date of October 12, 2012. The interconnection paperwork was filed within 60 days of the start date, but approval of the interconnection plan was delayed. After meeting with Pacific Power to resolve issues with the interconnection plan, RS Energy submitted a revised plan on June 7, 2013. Pacific Power notified RS Energy on July 11, 2013 that the revised interconnection plan was approved. Because of the extended interconnection process, the project cannot be completed by the current expiration date of October 12, 2013.

RS Energy states that the solar modules, inverter, and a custom transformer have been purchased and the project is actively proceeding. Extending the deadline three months,

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to January 12, 2014, will provide adequate time for installation.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

RS Energy LLC's request for waiver of the 12-month installation requirement for the SPV system is granted and the deadline extended to January 12, 2014.