ORDER NO. 19-009

ENTERED Jan 15 2019

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1586(15)

In the Matter of

ORDER

PACIFICORP, dba PACIFIC POWER

Multi-State Process Intervenor Funding.

DISPOSITION: MSP FUND GRANT REQUEST APPROVED

On January 10, 2018, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) filed a request for Payment of its 2018 Multi-State Process (MSP) Fund Grant. Section 6.1 of the Multi-State Process Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), adopted by the Commission in Order No. 17-028, governs the procedures for payment of MSP Fund Grants. CUB is automatically certified to receive Intervenor Funding Grants under OAR 860-001-0120(3)(a).

CUB asks for a final payment of \$60,000 from the PacifiCorp MSP Fund¹. Under the Agreement, the Request for Payment must:

- 1) Itemize the expenses, payees, and hourly rates of amount to be reimbursed;
- 2) Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to MSP Activities on behalf of a particular customer class; and
- 3) Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any conditions imposed on the MSP Fund Grant.

Further, under the terms of the Agreement, CUB must establish that it has used in-house resources or outside funding for at least 20 percent of the Eligible Expenses for an Eligible Proceeding. Agreement at 9. CUB provided the required documentation in its request.

The Agreement provides that the Commission will make a determination as to how the participating utilities are to recover the funding grants from the various customer classes. Section 6.5 of the Agreement provides that MSP Fund Grants paid to CUB should be allocated and charged to residential customers. Agreement at 11.

¹ The Administrative Hearings Division staff clarified with CUB that this was a final request for payment of its 2018 MSP Grant.

The Commission finds that CUB has met the requirements of the Agreement, and its request should be approved. Section 6.6 of the Agreement provides that the utility must pay the Issue Fund Grant to the requesting intervenor within 30 days after receipt of the Commission directive.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The Oregon Citizens' Utility Board has met the requirements of the Multi-State Process Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement, and its request is approved.
- 2. PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, pay \$60,000 from the MSP Fund to the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board within 30 days after receipt of this order, and the grant be assessed to PacifiCorp's residential customers.

Made, entered, and effective Jan 15, 2019



Michael Grant Chief Administrative Law Judge Administrative Hearings Division