ORDER NO. 19-318

ENTERED Sep 27 2019

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## **OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS

**ORDER** 

Request for Intervenor Funding.

DISPOSITION: MATCHING GRANT REQUESTS APPROVED

On September 24, 2019, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers, formerly known as the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (AWEC), filed a Request for Payment of its 2019 Preauthorized Matching Fund Grants. Section 7.2 of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), adopted by the Commission in Order No. 18-017, governs the procedures for payment of Matching Fund Grants. Funds from the PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, Matching Fund and the Portland General Electric Company (PGE) Matching Fund are available for use exclusively by AWEC. AWEC, as the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, was precertified to receive Matching Fund Grants on August 21, 2003, in Order No. 03-502.

AWEC asks for \$7,578.99 from the PacifiCorp Matching Fund Account and \$33,387.62 from the PGE Preauthorized Matching Fund Account. Under the terms of the Agreement, AWEC must establish that it has used in-house resources or outside funding for at least 35 percent of the Eligible Expenses for an Eligible Proceeding. AWEC provided the required documentation in its request.

Section 7.7 of the Agreement provides that the Commission will make a determination in each proceeding as to how the participating utilities are to recover the funding grants from the various customer classes. Section 7.7(b) of the Agreement provides that the Preauthorized Matching Grants are allocated and charged to industrial customers.

The Commission finds that AWEC has met the requirements of the Agreement, and its request should be approved. Section 7.2 of the Agreement provides that the utility must pay the Preauthorized Matching Grant to the requesting intervenor within 30 days after receipt of the Commission directive.

## **ORDER**

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The Alliance of Western Energy Consumers has met the requirements of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement, and its requests are approved.
- 2. PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power pay \$7,578.99 from the 2019 PacifiCorp Preauthorized Matching Fund to the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers within 30 days after receipt of this order and the grant is assessed to PacifiCorp's industrial customers.
- 3. Portland General Electric Company pay \$33,387.62 from the 2019 PGE Preauthorized Matching Fund to the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers within 30 days after receipt of this order and the grant is assessed to PGE's industrial customers.

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