

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UE 394

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC  
COMPANY,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

ORDER

**DISPOSITION: AMENDED PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ISSUE FUND GRANT  
APPROVED**

In Order No. 21-249, the Commission approved the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board's (CUB's) proposed budget of \$41,250 for this proceeding. On February 2, 2022, CUB filed an amended proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant in the proceeding. CUB's amended proposed budget shows additional eligible expenses in the amount of \$62,500; and it seeks an increase of its Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$50,000, for a total of \$91,250 from the Portland General Electric Company Issue Fund. In support of its request, CUB states that there is good cause to support approving the amended budget because of expected increased costs of CUB's participation in this proceeding.

The Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), approved by the Commission in Order No. 18-017, provides that precertified intervenors must submit a proposed issue fund budget to the Commission that contains, at a minimum, the following information:

- 1) A statement of the work to be performed;
- 2) A description of the areas to be investigated;
- 3) A description of the particular customer class(es) that will benefit from the intervenor's participation;
- 4) Identification of the specific fund accounts from which the intervenor is seeking monies and an estimate of the amount of available funds in that account;
- 5) A budget showing estimated attorney, consultant and expert witness fees, which may include the cost for appropriate support staff and operations support; and
- 6) A representation that the intervenor will use matching funds in the form of either in-house resources or outside funding to account for or pay at least 20 percent of the eligible expenses for which the intervenor is seeking an Issue Fund Grant.

Once a proposed budget is received, the Commission decides whether Issue Fund Grants are available for use based on factors identified in the IFA. The Commission has the

authority to accept, deny, or partially deny the request, and may place reasonable conditions on the grant.

As noted in Order No. 21-249, CUB is precertified to receive Issue Fund Grants. CUB's initial and amended proposed budgets include the requisite information and reflect the current schedule adopted in this docket.

In light of the issues being addressed, the complexity of the issues and the significant policy decisions to be made, the Commission believes that CUB's amended proposed budget is reasonable and should be approved.

**ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Oregon Citizens' Utility Board's amended proposed budget for Issue Fund Grants is approved.
2. An Issue Fund Grant is approved up to \$91,250 from the Portland General Electric Company Issue Fund.

Made, entered, and effective Feb 3, 2022.



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**Nolan Moser**  
Chief Administrative Law Judge  
Administrative Hearings Division