

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 2273

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF  
OREGON,

Investigation Into House Bill 2021  
Implementation Issues.

ORDER

**DISPOSITION: CASE FUND GRANT REQUEST APPROVED; 50 PERCENT  
PAYMENT ORDERED**

On June 21, 2023, Rogue Climate (RC) filed a request for environmental justice case fund grant, proposed budget, and request for 50 percent prior payment consistent with Order Nos. 23-033 and 23-180 and OAR 860-001-0800 through OAR 860-001-0900.

RC is an intervenor in this docket. RC was found to be eligible for Justice Funding in Order Nos. 22-043, 23-033 and 23-180. RC notes that this proceeding is an eligible proceeding per OAR 860-001-0830(1) and that this proceeding affects customers of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power. No party objected to RC's notice of intent, proposed scope of work, or proposed budget.

RC intends to participate in the proceeding through reviewing and analyzing PacifiCorp's filings, filing testimony, and participating in hearings and in settlement discussions. RC further describes that it will focus engagement efforts areas identified in Order No. 23-194, including potential public interest factors that could give the utilities guidance for acknowledgement of their Clean Energy Plans and the policy and legal basis for the PUC to utilize its discretion by adopting such factors, analysis of what should be required to minimize burdens on environmental justice communities and whether the establishment of the advisory groups are sufficient to satisfy the policies of HB 2021.

In its proposed budget, RC describes expenses for meeting participation, research and analysis, testimony, and a reserve for consulting. RC requests up-front payment of 50 percent of its grant.

I agree that RC qualifies as an eligible organization under Order No. 23-033 and OAR 860-001-0840. I agree with RC's application of Order No. 23-180 to use Case Funds for this docket.

Accordingly, the request for a case fund grant and a 50 percent up-front payment should be granted. RC provided a proposed budget containing descriptions of eligible expenses, identification of the utility account from which RC requests funds, and a statement of work.

The Commission has the authority to accept, deny, or partially deny the request, and may place reasonable conditions on the grant, and may delegate this responsibility to the Chief Administrative Law Judge, consistent with Order No. 21-213.

RC's proposed budget includes the requisite information and reflects the current schedule adopted in this docket. Considering the issues being addressed, the complexity of the issues and the significant policy decisions to be made, RC's proposed budget is reasonable and should be approved.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Rogue Climate's proposed budget is approved, and
2. A Justice Funding Case Fund Grant is approved for the Rogue Climate up to \$44,525 from the 2023 PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power Case Fund for activity in docket UM 2273.
3. PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, pay \$22,262.50 from the 2023 PacifiCorp Case Fund to Rogue Climate within 30 days after receipt of this order, and the grant be assessed to PacifiCorp's residential customers.

Made, entered, and effective Jul 20, 2023.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nolan Moser".

Nolan Moser  
Chief Administrative Law Judge