

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 2024

In the Matter of

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY
CONSUMERS,

Petition for a General Investigation into
Long-Term Direct Access Programs.

ORDER

DISPOSITION: ISSUE FUND GRANT REQUESTS APPROVED

On November 11, 2025, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers, formerly known as the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities filed a Request for Final Payment of its Portland General Electric Company and PacifiCorp Issue Fund Grants. The procedures for payment of Issue Fund Grants are governed by Section 7.3 of the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), adopted by the Commission in Order No. 22-506. AWEC (as the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities) was precertified to receive Issue Fund Grants on August 21, 2003, in Order No. 03-502.

AWEC asks for a final payment of \$40,000, with \$20,000 from the 2025 Portland General Electric Company Issue Fund and \$20,000 from the 2025 PacifiCorp Issue Fund. 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 issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget;
3. Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any conditions imposed on the Issue Fund Grant; and
4. Specify whether the request for payment is for a progress payment or a final payment and indicate whether any approved budget amount may be released back to the applicable Issue Fund.

Further, under the terms of Section 7.3 of the Agreement, AWEC must establish that it has "used in-house resources or outside funding to account for or pay at least 20% of the Eligible Expenses for the work to be performed in the proceeding for which the intervenor is seeking an Issue Fund Grant." AWEC provided the required documentation in its request.

The Agreement provides that the Commission determine in each proceeding how the participating utilities are to recover the funding grants from the various customer classes. Under Section 7.7(b), Issue Fund Grants should be allocated to align the costs of the advocacy with the intended potential beneficiaries of the advocacy. The Commission considered the intended beneficiaries and finds that the issue fund expenditures should be allocated to Portland General Electric Company's and PacifiCorp's industrial customers, respectively.

The Commission finds that AWEC's request meets the requirements of the Agreement, and its request should be approved. Section 7.8 of the Agreement provides that the utility must pay the Issue Fund Grant to the requesting intervenor within 30 days after receipt of Commission directive.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Alliance of Western Energy Consumers' request meets the requirements of the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement, and its request is approved.
2. Portland General Electric Company pay \$20,000 from the Portland General Electric Company Issue Fund to the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers within 30 days after receipt of this order, and the grant be assessed to Portland General Electric Company's industrial customers.

3. PacifiCorp pay \$20,000 from the PacifiCorp Issue Fund to the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers within 30 days after receipt of this order, and the grant be assessed to PacifiCorp's industrial customers.

Made, entered, and effective December 2, 2025.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alison Lackey".

Alison Lackey
Chief Administrative Law Judge
Administrative Hearings Division