

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 2405

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON,

Investigation into HB 3179
Implementation

ORDER

**DISPOSITION: MOTION TO DESIGNATE PROCEEDING AS ELIGIBLE FOR
ISSUE FUNDS GRANTED**

On February 18, 2026, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (CUB), filed a motion to designate this proceeding as eligible for an Issue Fund Grant. No party responded to CUB's motion.

The Fifth Amended Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA) approved by the Commission in Order No. 22-506, defines "Eligible Proceedings for Issue Funds" as a proceeding before the Commission to review:

1. A general rate case request,
2. The proposed acquisition or merger of one of the Participating Public Utilities,
3. An Integrated Resource Plan, Clean Energy Plan, Distribution System Plan, or Transportation Electrification Plan,
4. An annual power cost request (such as PGE's Annual Update Tariff or PacifiCorp's TAM) or a purchase gas adjustment request, or
5. Any other proceeding so designated by the Commission that directly affects one or more of the Participating Utilities and is anticipated to: (1) have a substantial impact on utility rates or service, (2) a significant impact on utility customers or the operations of the utility, (3) result in a significant change in regulatory policy, (4) or raise novel questions of law.

CUB states that this investigation will address the implementation of HB 3179 by all electric and natural gas utilities in the IFA. CUB states that this proceeding will have a substantial impact on utility customers and raises significant policy questions.

The Commission has delegated to the Chief Administrative Law Judge the authority to sign uncontested orders relating to Intervenor Funding Agreements that determine a proceeding to be eligible for issue or case funding.¹

I agree that this proceeding qualifies as an eligible proceeding under the last criterion because this docket is anticipated to have a substantial impact on utility customers and implicates significant regulatory policy issues. Accordingly, CUB's motion should be granted, and this docket should be certified as an eligible proceeding.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that this proceeding is designated as eligible for Issue Funds.

Made, entered, and effective Feb 27, 2026.



Alison Lackey
Chief Administrative Law Judge



¹ *In the Matter of Public Utility Commission of Oregon, The Delegation of Certain Duties and Powers of the Public Utility Commission*, Docket No. CD 27, Order No. 25-408 (Oct. 15, 2025).