

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	ORDER
COMPANY)	
)	
Request for a General Rate Revision.)	

DISPOSITION: ISSUE FUND GRANT REQUEST APPROVED

On February 5, 2007, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU) filed a Request for Payment of the Portland General Electric Company's (PGE) Issue Fund Grant with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission). Section 7.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), which the Commission adopted in Order No. 03-388, governs the procedures for payment of Issue Fund Grants.

On May 30, 2006, ICNU submitted a proposed budget of \$100,000, assuming a fully litigated case. The Commission approved ICNU's proposed budget in Order No. 06-289.

ICNU requests that the Commission authorize payment of the budget in the amount of \$100,000. Under Section 7.3 of 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; and
- 3) Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any conditions imposed on the Issue Fund Grant.

The Agreement provides that the Commission shall make a determination in each proceeding as to how the participating utilities are to recover the funding grants from the various customer classes. Pursuant to Section 7.7(b), Issue Fund Grants should be allocated so as to fairly align the costs of the advocacy with the intended potential beneficiaries of the advocacy.

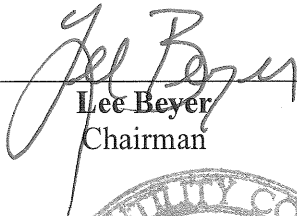
We find that ICNU has met the requirements of the Agreement, and its request should be approved. We have considered the intended beneficiaries, and find that the issue fund expenditures should be allocated to PGE's industrial customers. Section 7.2 of the Agreement provides that the utility shall pay the Issue Fund Grant to the requesting intervenor within 30 days after receipt of Commission directive.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities has met the requirements of the Intervenor Funding Agreement, and its request is approved.
2. The Portland General Electric Company (PGE) shall pay \$100,000 from the PGE Issue Fund to the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities within 30 days after receipt of this Order, and the grant shall be assessed to PGE's industrial customers.

Made, entered, and effective FEB 27 2007.



Lee Beyer
Chairman



John Savage
Commissioner



Ray Baum
Commissioner



A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.