

**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 PAYMENT ORDERED

On November 17, 2023, Rogue Climate (RC) filed a request for final payment of its Case Fund Grant in this docket. The procedures for payment of Case Fund Grants are governed by Section 7.2 of the Environmental Justice Communities Funding Agreement (Agreement) adopted by the Commission in Order No. 23-033. RC was found to be eligible for Justice Funding in Order Nos. 22-043, 23-033 and 23-180.

RC asks for a final payment of \$1,182.50. RC notes that its staff time was overestimated in its proposed budget by \$1,125, thereby reducing its proposed budget accordingly.

Under the Agreement, the request for payment must:

- (1) Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed, including billing details, and including separately identified amounts for consultant or expert witness fees and travel expenses;
- (2) Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of low-income residential customers or Environmental Justice Communities and consistent with the grantee's Proposed Budget;
- (3) Provide information sufficient to show that the grantee has complied with any condition or requirement of the Case Fund Grant; and
- (4) Specify whether the request for payment is for a progress payment or final payment in full and indicate whether any approved budget amount may be released back to the applicable Case Fund because the grantee does not intend to request payment for the full approved budget amount.

The Commission finds that RC's request meets the requirements of the Agreement, and its request should be approved. Section 7.1 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. The balance of the approved budget should be made available to PacifiCorp 2023 Case Fund.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Rogue Climate's request meets the requirements of the Environmental Justice Communities Funding Agreement, and its request for payment of its Case Fund grant is approved.
2. PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, pay \$1,182.50 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 Dec 4, 2023.



Nolan Moser
Chief Administrative Law Judge

