

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 335

In the Matter of)	
)	CUB REQUEST
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC)	FOR AN ISSUE FUND GRANT &
COMPANY,)	PROPOSED BUDGET
)	
Request for a General Rate Revision.)	
_____)	

The Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (“CUB”) estimates eligible expenses of \$64,675, before the 20% match, and requests a grant of \$51,740 from the 2018 PGE Issue Fund. CUB has been tracking its participation in this docket by hours and activity.

CUB is pre-certified per OAR 860-012-0100(3)(a). UE 335 is an eligible proceeding under the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”), as approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission in Order No. 18-017, entered January 17, 2018. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding for Issue Funds as, among other things, “a proceeding before the Commission to review: (i) general rate request” IFA, Article 1(c). UE 335 is a general rate request. Thus, an Issue Fund Grant may be made for this proceeding under Article 6.1 the IFA.

Article 6.2 of the IFA requires an intervenor seeking an Issue Fund Grant to file a Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant at the time it files its intervention. CUB filed its Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant on March 8, 2018, as required by the IFA (Article 6.2).

Article 6.3 of the IFA requires an intervenor seeking an Issue Fund Grant file a proposed budget within 30 days after the prehearing conference at which the schedule for the proceeding is established. The prehearing conference in this docket was held on March 20, 2018.

Pursuant to paragraph 6.3 of the IFA, the proposed budget must identify certain points of information. CUB provides the information below.

(a) Statement of Work to Be Performed: CUB intends to participate in every procedural aspect of this case. CUB participated in the pre-hearing conference. We will attend, either in person or by phone, and participate in all or most workshops, settlement meetings, hearings, and any Commission presentations. We will review and analyze PGE's testimony and briefs. We will review and analyze testimony and briefs filed by other parties. We will pursue discovery of PGE through data requests, and we will respond to data requests asked of us. We will file testimony and briefs, and present our recommendations to the Commission, including any proposed modifications or conditions.

(b) Description of Areas to Be Investigated: CUB will investigate issues including, but not limited to:

- i. Examine issues regarding prudence of capital investments;
- ii. Marginal cost study and cost allocation; issues regarding rate spread and rate design;
- iii. Accuracy of net variable power cost forecasting;
- iv. Issues raised by other parties.

(c) Description of the Class or Classes Benefiting from CUB's Participation:

CUB represents the interests of PGE's residential customers, though other customer classes may benefit from many aspects of our participation.

(d) The Fund from Which CUB Seeks an Issue Fund Grant & Available Funds: CUB is seeking a \$51,740 grant from the 2018 PGE Issue Fund. CUB's budget shows eligible expenses of \$64,675, but CUB limits its request in this case to \$51,740. CUB respectfully requests that the Commission approve CUB's request for a \$51,740 grant from the 2018 PGE Issue Fund.

(e) *The Budget Showing Estimated Fees and Costs:* CUB's budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

(f) *A Representation of the Use of Matching Funds:* The budget and an accounting for the use of matching funds accompany this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Jenks", written in a cursive style.

Bob Jenks
Executive Director
Oregon Citizens' Utility Board

CUB Proposed Budget -- UE 335

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	90.00	\$22,500.00
Michael Goetz, Staff Attorney	\$225	90.00	\$20,250.00
Sarah Ryan-Knox, Paralegal	\$100	20.00	\$2,000.00
Will Gehrke, Economist	\$200	90.00	\$18,000.00
Legal Clerk	\$75	23.00	\$1,725.00
<i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing, Mailing & Travel			\$200.00
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In-House Resources			
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$12,935)
Total			\$51,740