

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 2005

In the Matter of the

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON

Investigation Into Distribution System
Planning.

DRAFT GUIDELINES AND
REQUEST FOR PUBLIC
COMMENT

Draft Guidelines

Staff announces draft Distribution System Planning (DSP) Guidelines. Included with this announcement are 1) an Introduction and 2) Appendix 1, which contains the draft Guidelines. The Introduction provides context for the Guidelines. Staff anticipates the Introduction will serve as the draft basis of a Staff Memo articulating Staff's recommendation for Commission adoption of Guidelines, at a Public Meeting later this year. Appendix 1 outlines requirements for the initial utility DSP Plans that may be submitted to the Commission in 2021.

Next Steps

Below is the anticipated timeline for next steps in the investigation.

Thursday, October 1, 2020: Draft DSP Guidelines posted to the docket for public comment.

Wednesday, October 21, 2020: Workshop 4 – Presentation of draft Guidelines and public comment

Time: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Pacific (final time and details to be provided closer to October 21)

Goal(s): Provide alternative venue for stakeholders to provide input on draft Guidelines, for those who prefer not to submit written comments. For stakeholders who will submit written comments, the workshop is an additional venue to provide input. Provide a forum for discussion of the draft Guidelines.

Thursday, October 29, 2020: Public comment on draft DSP Guidelines due.

Tuesday, December 1, 2020: Staff's revised Guidelines posted to docket.

Tuesday, December 15, 2020: Public Meeting for consideration of final DSP Guidelines.

Request for Public Comment

Staff requests comment on the draft DSP Guidelines. Please submit all responses no later than Thursday, October 29, 2020.

Written comment may be provided in the following ways:

- By email – puc.publiccomments@state.or.us
Please include “COMMENTS – DOCKET NO. UM 2005” in the subject line, so they may be properly filed in this docket.
- By Mail – Oregon Public Utility Commission, Attn: UM 2005 Draft Guidelines Public Comment, PO Box 1088, Salem, OR 97308-1088
- By Phone – 503-378-6600 or 800-522-2404 or TTY 800-648-3458, weekdays from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Pacific

Additional comments are welcome to be submitted after October 29, 2020 but Staff cannot guarantee that it will be able to address those comments in the revised Guidelines.

Questions and comments can be directed to Nick Sayen at nick.sayen@state.or.us or (503) 378-6355.