

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UE 196

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC
COMPANY

Application to Amortize the Boardman Deferral.

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) **JOINT MOTION TO SUSPEND**
) **PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE OF THE**
) **INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF**
) **NORTHWEST UTILITIES AND THE**
) **CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD OF**
) **OREGON**
) **[EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION**
) **REQUESTED]**
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Pursuant to OAR § 860-013-0031, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (“ICNU”) and the Citizens’ Utility Board of Oregon (“CUB”) (collectively the “Joint Parties”) respectfully request that the schedule set in this Docket be suspended, pending resolution of the Joint Parties’ Application for Reconsideration (“Application”), which is being filed concurrently with this Motion.

On December 10, 2008, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a prehearing conference in this Docket. The primary purpose of the conference was to set a procedural schedule to implement the Commission’s decision to issue a Bench Request re-opening the record. At the conference, ALJ Wallace requested that PGE file responses to the Commission’s Bench Request in the form of testimony. In addition, the ALJ set a schedule which includes three rounds of testimony and a hearing, with the first round of testimony being due from PGE on January 30, 2009. UE 196, Prehearing Conference Report at 1 (Dec. 11, 2008).

The Joint Parties requested permission at the prehearing conference to brief the issue of whether the record in this docket should be re-opened. The ALJ denied this request, but noted that the Joint Parties could file a motion to reconsider the Commission's decision to reopen the record. Id. In response to the ALJ's direction, the Joint Parties are filing the Application.

If the Application is granted, the remaining schedule in this case will be unnecessary, because the case will be dismissed. To continue with the schedule, while the Application is pending, would create the risk that all parties might incur unnecessary time and expense in conducting discovery, drafting testimony and preparing for hearing. On the other hand, there would be no harm from suspending the procedural schedule, because the amounts at issue are in an interest bearing account. To allow the Commission adequate time to consider the Application, the Joint Parties request that the schedule be suspended pending a ruling on the Application.

EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION REQUEST

Since the due date for PGE's Opening Testimony is only two weeks away, the Joint Parties respectfully request expedited consideration of this Motion.

Dated this 15th day of January, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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Docket No. UE 196

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original Joint Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule of the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (“ICNU”) and Citizens’ Utility Board of Oregon (“CUB”) in the above-captioned docket.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Brendan E. Levenick
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing Joint Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule of ICNU and CUB upon the parties, on the official service list by causing the foregoing document to be deposited, postage-prepaid, in the U.S. Mail, and via electronic mail to those parties who have waived paper service.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 15th day of January, 2009.

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