

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

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In The Matter Of  
Portland General Electric Company General  
Rate Filing

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF  
FRED MEYER STORES AND  
QUALITY FOOD CENTERS,  
DIVISIONS OF KROGER CO.

NAME OF PETITIONER: **Fred Meyer Stores and Quality Food Centers, Divisions Of Kroger Co.**

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION:

**The Petitioner is seeking intervention on its own behalf as a customer of Portland General Electric Company. Petitioner is not seeking intervention in this matter as a member of a trade group or other organization.**

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING:

**Petitioner operates approximately 36 grocery stores, convenience stores, warehouses, office, and manufacturing operations in the service territory of Portland General. The total load of Petitioner is approximately 32 MW. The annual load factor by location varies but averages in the range of 65-70%. Petitioner has a substantial and diverse interest in the outcome of this case that cannot be adequately represented by any other party.**

THE ISSUES THE PETITIONER INTENDS TO RAISE AT THE PROCEEDING:

**The primary issue Fred Meyer intends to address in this case will be whether the rate increase sought by the Applicant is reasonable and cost justified. We also intend to address whether the proposed allocation of the rate increase and the design of the new rates are just and reasonable.**

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING:

**Kroger Co., the owner of Fred Meyer Stores and Quality Food Centers, operates in 31 states and has approximately 3500 locations nationwide. Petitioner's regulatory counsel has extensive experience in all facets of electricity law. We expect to retain expert witnesses as necessary. This broad familiarity with ratemaking policy gives Petitioner special expertise that will assist the Commission in deciding the issues in this proceeding.**

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, Fred Meyer Stores and Quality Food Centers requests to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. Petitioner represents that it will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-013-0021.

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