

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

Docket No. UM 1716

In the Matter of PUBLIC UTILITY
COMMISSION OF OREGON,
Investigation to Determine the Resource
Value of Solar.

PETITION TO INTERVENE

The Green Energy Institute at Lewis & Clark Law School petitions to intervene in this proceeding. In support of this petition, the following is provided:

1. The contact information (name, address, email address) of the petitioner is:

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Please include this contact on the service list.

2a. The petitioner will will not be represented by counsel in this proceeding. The contact information for petitioner's counsel to be included on the service list is:

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2b. Additional contacts to be included on the service list (a petitioner is limited to three contacts on the service list):

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3. If the petitioner is an organization, the number of members in and the purposes of the organization:

The Green Energy Institute at Lewis & Clark Law School has a director, two full-time staff attorneys and two part-time Energy Fellows. Our mission is to facilitate a swift transition to a sustainable, carbon-free energy system.

List of Members attached

4. The nature and extent of the Petitioner's interest in the proceeding is:

The Green Energy Institute promotes policies that provide a stable foundation for the growth of renewable energy generally and solar energy specifically. Accurate and comprehensive valuation of solar power will likely prove essential to the long-term viability of the solar industry. Additionally, a strong solar valuation can provide a fair balance between Oregon's solar industry and ratepayers by ensuring that the rate of compensation for solar power accurately reflects its benefits to ratepayers, utilities, and the state. Thus, the Green Energy Institute's interest in the proceeding is to ensure that the Commission has access to thorough and up-to-date information about the value of solar, that the benefits of solar power receive thorough consideration, and that the ultimate value of solar power fairly reflects all attributes of this energy source.

5. The issues the Petitioner intends to raise at the proceeding are:

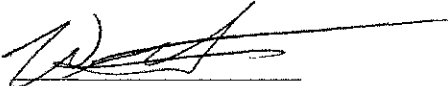
The Green Energy Institute intends to provide the Commission with information about valuation of solar power in other jurisdictions, the relevant methodologies used to value solar power, and the array of benefits that solar power offers to ratepayers, utilities, the electricity grid, and the state. Additionally, the Green Energy Institute will provide an informed perspective on likely impacts of accurate valuation of solar power on the Oregon's solar industry and ratepayers.

6. The special knowledge or expertise of the Petitioner that would assist the Commission in resolving the issues in the proceeding is:

The Green Energy Institute's representative before the Commission, Nick Lawton, has expertise in energy and environmental law. He has authored reports on solar policies and presented at local conferences on solar policy. His work focuses on

strategies to promote cost-effective solar power. He will bring to the proceedings a strong familiarity with solar policies in various states.

7. Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I or the organization that I represent will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-001-0300.



Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

02/16/2015
Date Signed

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The Green Energy Institute at Lewis & Clark Law School hereby certifies that it has provided service by electronic mail on February 18, 2015 of its petition to intervene in UM 1716, the Oregon Public Utility Commission's Investigation to Determine the Resource Value of Solar, on all party representatives included in the official service list for the proceeding, including:

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/s/ Nick Lawton

February 18, 2015