

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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OREGON ELECTRIC UTILITY)	RULING
COMPANY, LLC, et al.,)	
)	
Application for Authorization to Acquire)	
Portland General Electric Company.)	

**DISPOSITION: NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION
WITHDRAWN; MR. MEEK DIRECTED TO FILE
INFORMATION**

On October 4, 2004, I issued a notice of ex parte contact regarding communications between Dan Meek and Commissioner Baum during a luncheon at the Beaverton Rotary. I issued the notice after Dan Meek failed to follow through with a commitment made to Commissioner Baum to file information to the Commission concerning what Mr. Meek acknowledged was an ex parte communication.

Due to the failure of Mr. Meek to provide the promised information, I relied solely on Commissioner Baum's summary of the discussion. Commissioner Baum indicated that Mr. Meek appeared with a woman who evidently was misidentified as Linda Williams. Mr. Meek has objected to this misidentification and the resulting inaccuracy of the notice of ex parte communication.

Based on Mr. Meek's objection, I withdraw the October 4, 2004 notice of ex parte communication. With this ruling, I direct Mr. Meek to file the information he previously committed to submit to clarify this matter. In this filing, which must be received by 5:00 PM on Monday, October 11, 2004, Mr. Meek should: (1) identify whether the woman with whom he appeared is associated with a party in the case; (2) if so, identify that relationship; and (3) provide a summary of the matters discussed.¹ With this new information, I will issue a new notice of ex parte communication.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 6th day of October, 2004.

Michael Grant
Administrative Law Judge

¹ I remind Mr. Meek that Commission rules require parties to submit signed originals of documents via mail. Electronic mail messages do not satisfy this requirement. See Chapter 860, Divisions 12 and 13 of the Oregon Administrative Rules.

