

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1129

In the Matter of)
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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF) **RULING**
OREGON)
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Staff's Investigation Relating to Electric)
Utility Purchases From Qualifying)
Facilities.)

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO AMEND SCHEDULE GRANTED

Today, on December 16, 2004, Staff of the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) filed a motion to amend the procedural schedule in this proceeding (Motion). Opening briefs by all parties are currently due tomorrow, on December 17, 2004. Staff indicates that its participation in another docket, UM 1121, has created a conflict that interferes with timely submission of briefs under the current schedule. Recognizing the conflict, Staff contacted other parties and obtained agreement to modify the schedule as follows:

EVENT	CURRENT DUE DATE	REQUESTED DUE DATE
All parties file opening briefs	December 17, 2004	December 23, 2004
All parties file reply briefs	January 21, 2005	January 27, 2005
Oral argument	February 2, 2005 at 9:30 a.m.	February 7, 2005 or February 9, 2005 (after 10:00 a.m.)

Staff indicates that the parties supporting the proposed schedule modification include: Weyerhaeuser Company, Sherman County Court and J. R. Simplot Company, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, the Oregon Department of Energy, Idaho Power Company, Portland General Electric Company, and PacifiCorp. Electronic mail was also received by the Fair Rate Coalition indicating support for the amended schedule. Staff indicated that no other party had objected to the proposed amendment, but acknowledged that parties not heard from may not have received Staff's electronic notification of the proposal. Due to testimony currently being due tomorrow, Staff requests expedited treatment of its Motion.

In recognition of a conflict between the current schedule of this proceeding and the schedule in Docket No. UM 1121, and based on agreement to the amended schedule by all parties submitting testimony and participating in the hearing, I grant Staff's Motion. The schedule is modified as indicated above, with the day and time selected for oral argument being February 7, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. The modified dates for filing are considered "in hand" dates.

Dated this 16th day of December, 2004, at Salem, Oregon.

Traci A. G. Kirkpatrick
Administrative Law Judge