

ISSUED: April 5, 2006

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UE 180/ UE 181

In the Matters of	)	
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PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY	)	
	)	
Request for a General Rate Revision (UE 180),	)	PREHEARING
	)	CONFERENCE
and	)	REPORT
	)	
PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY	)	
	)	
2007 Resource Valuation Mechanism (UE 181).	)	

**DISPOSITION: PETITIONS TO INTERVENE GRANTED;  
SCHEDULE SET**

On April 4, 2006, a prehearing conference was held in this docket. The following appeared in person: Jason Eisdorfer, with Citizens' Utility Board (CUB); Brad Van Cleve, with Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU); Jim Abrahamson, with Community Action Directors of Oregon and Oregon Energy Coordinators Association (CADO/OECA); Doug Tingey, with Portland General Electric Company (PGE); and Stephanie Andrus, with Commission Staff (Staff). The following participated via telephone: Scott Debroff; Chad Stokes, with SP Newsprint; and Ted Robert,s with Sempra Global Energy.

CUB submitted its notice of intervention on March 20, 2006. ICNU, Bonneville Power Administration, Fred Meyer and Quality Food Centers, Sempra Global Energy, PacifiCorp, SP Newsprint, and CADO/OECA had each submitted petitions to intervene prior to the prehearing conference. No party objected to any of the petitions. These petitioners have asserted a sufficient interest in the proceeding, and their appearance and participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. See OAR 860-012-0001. The petitions were granted.

The parties agreed to consolidate UE 180, the Request for a General Rate Revision, and UE 181, the 2007 Resource Valuation Mechanism (RVM). The parties also agreed to the following schedule:

Both: Prehearing conference	April 4, 2006
Both: Deadline for Petitions to Intervene	May 12, 2006
Both: Public Comment Hearing – Salem	May 17, 2006
Both: Public Comment Hearing – Portland	May 24, 2006
Both: Deadline for Intervenor Budgets	May 30, 2006
<i>RVM: Settlement Conference</i>	<i>June 22, 2006</i>
Rate Case: Staff and Intervenor publish settlement proposals	July 6, 2006
Rate Case Settlement Conferences	July 13, 14, & 17, 2006
<i>RVM: Staff and Intervenor Testimony</i>	<i>July 18, 2006</i>
<i>RVM: Settlement Conference</i>	<i>August 7, 2006</i>
Rate Case: Staff and Intervenor Testimony	August 9, 2006
<i>RVM: PGE Testimony</i>	<i>August 18, 2006</i>
<i>RVM: Hearing</i>	<i>August 30, 2006</i>
Rate Case: PGE Testimony	September 13, 2006
<i>RVM: Opening Briefs</i>	<i>September 14, 2006</i>
<i>RVM: Closing Briefs</i>	<i>September 22, 2006</i>
<i>RVM: Oral Argument</i>	<i>September 26, 2006</i>
Rate Case: Staff and Intervenor Testimony	October 6, 2006
<i>RVM: Commission Decision</i>	<i>October 20, 2006</i>
Rate Case: PGE Testimony	October 25, 2006
Rate Case: Pre-hearing brief and cross-examination statements	October 27, 2006
Rate Case: Hearings	November 1-2, 2006
Rate Case: Opening Briefs	November 15, 2006
Rate Case: Closing Briefs	December 1, 2006
Rate Case: Oral Arguments	December 12, 2006
Rate Case: Commission Decision	January 12, 2007
Expiration of tariff suspension period	January 16, 2007

In the RVM portion of the case, the parties agreed to a five business day response time to data requests beginning August 18, 2006. In the rate case portion, the parties agreed to a seven business day response time to data requests beginning August 9, 2006; a five business day response time beginning September 13, 2006; and a three business day response time beginning October 25, 2006.

PGE requested that the parties sequentially number data requests throughout the proceeding, as is done before the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. PGE also attempted to secure an agreement on the exchange of work papers, but the parties agreed to discuss the matter off the record. In addition, PGE attempted to obtain agreement among the parties regarding its proposed process for providing for Port Westward costs. The parties were not prepared to agree to the matter, and it shall be addressed in testimony.

The agreed-upon settlement conference dates are included in the schedule; however, the Administrative Hearings Division does not issue notices for these events. Therefore, the parties are free to reset these conferences, or add new ones, without submitting a motion to the Administrative Law Judge. Parties should refer to the Administrative Hearings Procedures for contested case proceedings, located at [www.puc.state.or.us](http://www.puc.state.or.us) under the heading "Hearings Division."

Finally, this prehearing conference was noticed for docket UE 180, but not for docket UE 181, relating to PGE's RVM. At the conference, the parties agreed to consolidate UE 180 and UE 181, and established a joint schedule for the consolidated docket. Because this conference was not noticed in UE 181, this conference report serves as notice of the developments in that docket. Potential parties may object to the consolidation or schedule set in this report no later than Friday, April 14, 2006.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 5th day of April 2006.

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Christina M. Smith  
Administrative Law Judge