BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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

DISPOSITION: JOINT ISSUES LIST DUE AUGUST 2; ADDITIONAL STATUS CONFERENCE SET

On July 21, 2004, a status conference was held in Salem, Oregon. Appearances were made by Oregon Electric Utility Company, LLC, *et al.* (Applicants), Portland General Electric (PGE), Enron Corp., Bonneville Power Administration, Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU), Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Staff), City of Portland, Strategic Energy, LLC, PacifiCorp, Associated Oregon Industries, Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB), Multnomah County and Portland Metropolitan Association of Building and Managers.

Issues list

The parties were informed that the purpose of a joint issues list is to set forth what issues need to be resolved and to provide direction for their testimony. As testimony is being filed July 21, 2004, an issues list at this point is not helpful in preparing testimony. However, the ALJs still want a joint issues list, to the extent possible, to set forth issues that should be resolved in the proceeding.

Therefore, the parties are directed to work from Staff's version filed July 2, 2004. The list should be in two parts: 1) agreed upon issues, and 2) issues that aren't agreed upon but a party wants listed as an issue. This list is due by August 2, 2004. Please indicate by separate letter or on the list which parties have agreed Part 1 of the list.

Motions

We want to avoid both an extensive motion practice and the filing of lastminute motions before the hearings. If a party believes that testimony about an issue is irrelevant <u>and</u> provides a case management issue, objections to such testimony must be raised by September 27, 2004. Otherwise, we urge parties to let the testimony stand, and argue in briefs that the testimony should not be considered. The Commission will then make determinations on the evidence in its order. Schedule

Another status conference is set for 9:30 am on September 28, 2004 in the Main Hearing Room at the PUC Building in Salem, Oregon. A separate notice will be issued at a later date.

Dated this 21st day of July, 2004.

Kathryn A. Logan Administrative Law Judge

Christina M. Smith Administrative Law Judge