ISSUED: April 15, 2022

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

AR 631

In the Matter of

Rulemaking to Address Procedures, Terms, and Conditions Associated with Qualifying Facility Standard Contracts.

AGENDA FOR COMMISSION WORKSHOP

As per the schedule and notice issued in this proceeding, a Commission Workshop will be held on April 20, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. The following agenda will be used for that workshop. For items II-V, the Administrative Hearings Division will introduce the issue and the solution proposed in the current redlined draft. Commissioners will then ask questions and, time permitting, stakeholders will have an opportunity to state their positions.

I. Opening Discussion

- **a.** Opening Statements Each participant/group of participants is invited to summarize their general goals and concerns in this rulemaking but asked to keep their opening statement to five minutes. Opening statements can include the issues in I(b) below.
- **b. Policy Goals and Considerations** How can we adopt rules that meet our overall goals of limiting speculation and easing contracting burdens? Is the goal of limiting speculation better done through the interconnection process than in the contracting process in most instances? How do we find the right balance?

II. Amounts of Security and Default Security

- **a.** Security What amounts are appropriate to require and on what timeline?
- **b. Default Security** Should it be required and, if so, what amounts are appropriate?
- c. Creditworthiness Does there need to be set rules for determination of creditworthiness or is the current approach where utilities lay those rules out in their standard contracts to be approved by the Commission adequate?

III. Commercial Operation Timelines

- a. Withdrawal period.
- b. Requirement to achieve operation within four years of execution date given growing challenges with timely interconnection.

IV. Renewables and Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs)

- a. Renewable and non-renewable avoided cost rates.
- b. Treatment of RECs moving forward.

V. Other Items

- **a.** 12 x 24 Delivery Schedules How and to what extent will utilities rely on these schedules and to what extent must they be accurate?
- b. Other items of interest to Commissioners
- c. Other items as elevated by Stakeholders

For the Zoom link and call-in information to the workshop, please see the notice issued on April 12, 2022.

Dated this 15th day of April 2022, at Salem, Oregon.

Katharine Mapes
Administrative Law Judge