

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

LC 73

In the Matter of

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC  
COMPANY,

2019 Integrated Resource Plan.

PREHEARING CONFERENCE  
MEMORANDUM

On May 28, 2019, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a prehearing conference in this docket. Representatives appeared on behalf of Portland General Electric Company (PGE), Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, Northwest and Intermountain Power Producers Coalition (NIPPC), Renewable Energy Coalition (Coalition), Renewable Northwest, Northwest Energy Coalition (NVEC), National Grid USA (National Grid), and Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC) and Commission Staff.

**Petitions to Intervene**

Prior to the conference, NVEC, Renewable NW, AWEC, NIPPC, Coalition, and National Grid filed petitions to intervene in this docket. No party attending the conference objected to the petitions. Although a proceeding to review a utility's integrated resource plan (IRP) is not considered a contested case proceeding under ORS 183.310(2), the Commission grants petitions to intervene for the limited purposes of: 1) creating a service list; and 2) establishing eligibility to sign a protective order. The petitions to intervene filed by NVEC, Renewable NW, AWEC, NIPPC, Coalition, National Grid are granted for the limited purpose described above. In addition, Oregon Citizens' Utility Board filed its notice of intervention as allowed under ORS 774.180.

**Procedural Schedule**

The parties jointly presented a procedural schedule. We have made the following changes:

- Changed PGE's July 30 Public Meeting presentation from "Informational Only" to "Public Hearing". The Informational Only designation refers to situations where only the utility and Staff are interacting with the Commission. PGE's July 30 presentation will be a "Public Hearing" item to allow for stakeholders to make brief comments describing their main areas of inquiry in this proceeding. The

purpose of the stakeholders’ high level comments are to help the Commissioners understand areas they should focus on. We ask that stakeholders refrain from adversarial comments, as intervenors’ positions on issues can be fully explained in the three sets of written comments, during the subsequent Commission workshop, and in the final Public Meeting.

- Added a date for PGE and intervenors to file comments on Staff’s Public Meeting memorandum (the Thursday before the Public Meeting).
- We have added the Public Meeting date of January 28, 2020, and marked it as tentative because the Commission has not yet set its 2020 public meeting dates.
- Removed the January 30, 2020 Commission Order date, because the Commission’s decision on IRP acknowledgement is effective when it is made at the public meeting.<sup>1</sup>

With those changes, the following procedural schedule is adopted:

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>
PGE to file IRP	July 19, 2019
PGE Presentation at Public Meeting (Public Hearing)	July 30, 2019
Staff and Intervenors Opening Comments	September 19, 2019
PGE Reply Comments	October 14, 2019
Commission Workshop (Public Hearing)	October 31, 2019
Staff and Intervenors Final Comments	November 13, 2019
PGE Final Comments	December 20, 2019
Staff Memorandum	January 17, 2020
PGE and Intervenors Comments on Staff’s Memorandum	January 23, 2020
Public Meeting (Public Hearing and Commissioner Work Session)	January 28, 2020 (tentative)

Beginning October 14, 2019, the parties agreed to a seven calendar day data response turn-around.

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<sup>1</sup> See, *In the Matters of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, Schedule 37 Avoided Cost Purchases from Eligible Qualifying Facilities and 2017 Integrated Resource Plan*, Docket Nos. UM 1729 and LC 67, Order No. 18-096 (Mar 27, 2018) (adopting Staff’s recommendation that in part explained “The actual acknowledgement decision is made at the public meeting.”); *In the Matters of PacifiCorp, dba Pacific Power, 2017 Integrated Resource Plan, 2019 Integrated Resource Plan*, Docket Nos. LC 67 and LC 70, Order No. 18-420 (Oct 26, 2018) (discussing how the IRP orders memorialized decisions made at the public meetings).

Parties are reminded that attorneys not licensed in Oregon wanting to appear before the Commission in this docket must file an application for admission to appear pro hac vice.<sup>2</sup>

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> June of May, 2019, at Salem, Oregon.



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Christopher J. Allwein  
Administrative Law Judge



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Sarah Rowe  
Administrative Law Judge

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<sup>2</sup> See UTCR 3.170, OAR 860-001-0320.