Portland General Electric Comments on Western Energy Imbalance Market Regional Issues Forum Carbon Workshop Draft Summary of Issues

Portland General Electric Company ("PGE") appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the Western Energy Imbalance Market Regional Issues Forum Carbon Workshop Draft Summary of Issues.

PGE believes that the August Carbon Workshop ("Workshop") hosted by the EIM Regional Issues Forum ("RIF") was a valuable opportunity to bring market participants, policymakers, and stakeholders together. The diverse and robust attendance and topics discussed at the Workshop is a clear indicator that this type of forum has been missing from the region as states pursue clean energy and climate policies.

The Workshop was effective in identifying many of the key issues involved with integrating clean energy and greenhouse gas reduction policies with the potential expansion of wholesale energy markets in the West. PGE agrees that the "Summary of Issues" document accurately captures these items. PGE encourages the RIF to continue the dialogue on the issues identified in this document. PGE also agrees that the RIF should pursue similar meetings or workshops in the future on these topics.