

1 QUALIFICATION STATEMENT OF

2 PETER B. STIFFLER

3 Witness for the Bonneville Power Administration

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5 Q. *Please state your name, employer, and business address.*

6 A. My name is Peter Benjamin Stiffler. I am employed by the Bonneville Power
7 Administration (BPA), 905 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

8 Q. *In what capacity are you employed?*

9 A. I am a Public Utilities Specialist in Power Rates.

10 Q. *Please state your educational background.*

11 A. I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from Whitman College in 1999, a
12 Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning at Portland State University in
13 2003, and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Oregon (UO) in 2010.

14 Q. *Please summarize your professional experience.*

15 A. Concurrent with my urban planning studies, I was a Planning Assistant for the
16 Portland Bureau of Planning from September 1999 through June 2000. I started as
17 an Economist/Technical Writer for Economic Insight, Inc. (EII) in July 2000, serving
18 occasionally as a guest writer for the Energy Market Report, editor for PacWest Oil
19 Data, and primary/secondary support for a number of consulting projects in the
20 electricity, natural gas, and petroleum industries. I left EII in June 2003 to work for
21 PacifiCorp as a Risk Analyst in Global Risk Management, Portfolio Risk. I moved into
22 Major Projects and Planning in July 2004, where I remained until June 2005, when I
23 left PacifiCorp to pursue graduate work at UO. I was a Graduate Teaching Fellow for
24 four years at UO, a Teaching Assistant from September 2005 through June 2007, a
25 Research Assistant in the Mikesell Lab of Environmental Economics in summer
26 2007, and an instructor in Econometrics, Microeconomics, and Labor Economics

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1 from September 2007 through September 2009. In 2011, I taught Microeconomics
2 for Business at Marylhurst University. In 2017 and 2018, I was an adjunct professor
3 at Portland State University, where I taught Environmental Economics, Health
4 Economics, and Cost-Benefit Analysis.

5 At BPA, I have worked on implementing the Tiered Rate Methodology (TRM)
6 in the Rate Analysis Model (RAM), streamlining current modeling approaches,
7 collaborating with study managers on 7(b)(2) discount assumptions and
8 conservation treatment under the TRM, and developing the TRM Billing
9 Determinant Model. I have also provided analytical and development support and
10 program design for the Prepayment for Power program, led the RHWMP Process for
11 the BP-14 and BP-16 rate cases, and led the evaluation study for the NWPP Energy
12 Imbalance Market (SCED) initiative. I led the power rates analysis behind the
13 Columbia River System Operation (CRSO) analysis for NEPA compliance in 2020.
14 From 2020 to 2022, I supervised the group responsible for the Net Secondary
15 Revenue forecast, the Residential Exchange Program, and the Resource Program,
16 and from 2022 to 2024, I managed the Load Forecasting group at BPA.

17 *Q. Please state your experience as a witness in previous proceedings.*

18 *A.* I was a witness in the Residential Exchange Program Settlement (REP-12)
19 proceeding, study manager for the REP-12 Settlement Evaluation and Analysis
20 Study, and provided written testimony evaluating the consistency of the REP
21 Settlement with the provisions of the Northwest Power Act on a forward-looking
22 basis. In the BP-12 rate proceeding. I sponsored testimony in support of BPA's
23 implementation of the TRM and the Section 7(b)(2) Rate Test Study and associated
24 documentation. I have subsequently sponsored testimony and provided analytical
25 support in each rate case under the Regional Dialogue contracts (BP-12 through

1 BP-20), and the oversupply rate case (OS-16). Currently I am sponsoring testimony
2 for both the 2029 Public Rate Design Methodology and BP-26 Rate Case.
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