

## PGE's Inaugural Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory Group (CBIAG)



### PGE's Land Acknowledgement

We take this opportunity to honor the Indigenous Peoples who continue to care for the lands that we work in since time immemorial, and who continue to remind us that living in a place creates responsibilities to the water, air, animals, land and its people.





## Welcome



## **Meeting Participation Tips**

- Thank you for joining us today!
- Please join audio by either phone or computer, not both.
- We encourage CBIAG members to turn on your video.
- Please keep your audio on mute when not speaking.
- Observer = you are not a CBIAG member, facilitator or speaker.
- If you experience technical difficulties, please contact program staff at: (823) 535-0731



### AGENDA

- Welcome & Introductions
- Facilitation Style & Group Agreements
- CBIAG Overview
- Group Discussion
- Closing & Next Steps



#### **CBIAG Members**

• Shares insights, feedback and provides recommendations



#### **Espousal Strategies**

• Facilitates meetings and acts as a liaison between CBIAG and PGE



#### PGE

• Serves as a subject matter expert and presents content



## Welcome and Introductions



Please state your name and pronouns (if you choose)



Please share what organization(s) you represent, if any



Please tell us what lenses you are bringing into this meeting



## Facilitation Style & Group Agreements

- Take care of your personal needs as they come up, let facilitator know if you need to step away
- This is a learning space for everyone
- Participate by sharing your responses in the chat, taking written notes, or by raising your hand to speak
- Welcome diverse perspectives; it's okay to disagree
- Facilitator will call on people to speak. This will be done in a way that centers our equity priority communities and not in first come, first serve
- I will use facilitator's privilege and may need to gently interrupt to have you close out your comments and move the meeting forward
- Move up your talking or move up your listening
- Assume and have good intentions
- Any others you all want to add?



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An electric company that files a clean energy plan shall convene a CBIAG... Members will be determined by the electric company with input from **stakeholders that represent the interests of customers or affected entities within the electric company's service territory. Members must include representatives of environmental justice communities and low-income ratepayers** and may include representatives of other affected entities within the company's service territory.

The electric company shall develop, in consultation with the CBIAG, a **biennial report** that **assesses the community benefits and impacts of the electric company** and shall file the biennial report with the PUC.

Oregon House Bill 2021, Section 6 (2021)

"Environmental justice communities includes communities of color, communities experiencing lower incomes, tribal communities, rural communities, coastal communities, communities with limited infrastructure and other communities traditionally underrepresented in public processes and adversely harmed by environmental and health hazards, including but not limited to seniors, youth and persons with disabilities." - Oregon House Bill 2475, Section 1 (2021)



## PGE's CBIAG Goals & Outcomes



**Goal:** Create an equitable and inclusive community forum that allows PGE to collaborate, partner, and garner feedback from environmental justice (EJ) and other traditionally underrepresented community representatives on House Bill 2021 CBIAG-mandated topic areas

**Outcome:** Center community voices across HB 2021 CBIAG mandated community engagement focus areas **Goal:** CBIAG will assist PGE on community and equity lens application across HB 2021 CBIAG-mandated community engagement focus areas

**Outcome:** PGE has a community forum to vet decisions on HB 2021 mandated focus areas, including a biennial report 3

**Goal:** Empower EJ and other traditionally unrepresented communities with awareness and knowledge about energy and how utilities operate, make operating and financial decisions to serve customers

**Outcome:** Create and maintain long-term and mutually beneficial partnerships with environmental justice communities and those that serve them (CBOs and culturally specific organizations)

#### Development of PGE's CBIAG

Phased Approach



#### AD-HOC COMMITTEE

**Participants:** Community based and community serving organizations and community members

**Facilitation:** Interim Third-Party Facilitator (Espousal Strategies)

**Outcome(s):** Provide recommendation on recruitment and selection of CBIAG members,

Timing: Dec '22 - Feb '23

#### INAUGURAL CBIAG

**Participants:** Recruited CBIAG members

**Facilitation:** Long-Term Third-Party Facilitator (Espousal Strategies)

**Outcome(s):** Develop and implement operational expectations, identify and address gaps in energy and utility awareness and knowledge of group members

**Timing:** Apr '23 - Sep '23

#### PGE CBIAG

**Participants:** CBIAG members

**Facilitation:** Long-Term Third-Party Facilitator (3-year RFP cycles)

**Outcome(s):** Advise on range of topics identified in House Bill 2021, Section 6, including PGE's Community Benefits and Impacts Biennial Report

Timing: Sep '23 and beyond



#### **CBIAG Topics**

#### **MUST**

- Energy burden and disconnection
- Increase contracting
- Improve resilience
- Distribution infrastructure
- Community co-benefits
- Customer experience
- Customer engagement

#### MAY

- Clean Energy Plan
- Distribution System Planning
- Contracting practices
- Other topics



# Discussion

What are your hopes and/or goals for this work on the CBIAG?



### Next Steps

What to expect after this meeting in preparation for next month's meeting

- Moving forward, meeting appointments and communications from PGE will come from: <u>CBIAG@pgn.com</u>
- Be sure to complete and submit CBIAG participation forms by 5/1/23
- This meeting's notes to be compiled, themed and shared back to CBIAG members
- External CBIAG website launch (meeting information, materials including notes and presentation deck) by next meeting





## Thank you