PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated August 2, 2022)



Portland General Electric Company Up to \$300,000,000 Common Stock

On April 28, 2023, we entered into an equity distribution agreement (as may be amended from time to time, the "equity distribution agreement"), with Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Barclays Capital Inc., and BofA Securities, Inc., each, an agent, and, collectively, the agents, the forward sellers and the forward purchasers (as defined below), relating to shares of our common stock, no par value, or common stock, offered by this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus pursuant to a continuous offering program. In accordance with the terms of the equity distribution agreement, we may from time to time offer and sell shares of our common stock having an aggregate gross sales price of up to \$300.0 million through the agents, as our sales agents or, if applicable, as forward sellers, or directly to the agents acting as principals. The shares of our common stock to which this prospectus supplement relates may be offered and sold by any method or payment permitted by law to be an "at the market offering" as defined in Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, including by means of ordinary brokers' transactions on the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, or otherwise at market prices prevailing at the time of sale or at prices related to the prevailing market prices or at negotiated prices, in block transactions, or as otherwise agreed with the applicable sales agent pursuant to an equity distribution agreement that we have entered into with the applicable sales agents.

The equity distribution agreement contemplates that, in addition to the issuance and sale by us of shares of our common stock to or through the agents, we may enter into separate forward sale agreements, under separate master confirmations and related supplemental confirmations, with each of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Barclays Bank PLC, and Bank of America, N.A., or one of their respective affiliates (in such capacity, each, a "forward purchaser" and, collectively, the "forward purchasers"). If we enter into a forward sale agreement with any forward purchaser, we expect that such forward purchaser (or its affiliate) will attempt to borrow from third parties and sell, through the relevant agent, acting as sales agent for such forward purchaser, shares of our common stock to hedge such forward purchaser's exposure under such forward sale agreement. We refer to an agent, when acting as sales agent for the relevant forward purchaser, as, individually, a "forward seller" and, collectively, the "forward sellers." Unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires, references herein to the "related" or "relevant" forward purchaser mean, with respect to any agent, the affiliate of such agent that is acting as forward purchaser or, if applicable, such agent acting in its capacity as forward purchaser. We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of shares of our common stock borrowed by a forward purchaser (or its affiliate) and sold through a forward seller.

We currently expect to fully physically settle each forward sale agreement, if any, with the relevant forward purchaser on one or more dates specified by us on or prior to the maturity date of such forward sale agreement, in which case we expect to receive aggregate net cash proceeds at settlement equal to the number of shares specified in such forward sale agreement multiplied by the relevant forward price per share. However, subject to certain exceptions, we may also elect, in our sole discretion, to cash settle or net share settle all or any portion of our obligations under any forward sale agreement, in which case we may not receive any proceeds (in the case of cash settlement) or will not receive any proceeds (in the case of net share settlement), and we may owe cash (in the case of cash settlement) or shares of our common stock (in the case of net share settlement) to the relevant forward purchaser. See "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)" in this prospectus supplement.

Each agent will receive from us a commission that will not exceed, but may be lower than, 2% of the gross sales price of shares of our common stock sold through it as our sales agent. Under the terms of the equity distribution agreement, we may also sell shares of our common stock to each of the agents, as principal, at a price agreed upon at the time of sale. If we sell shares of our common stock to any agent as principal, we will enter into a separate terms agreement with the agent, setting forth the terms of such transaction, and we will describe the agreement in a separate prospectus supplement or pricing supplement. In connection with each forward sale agreement, the applicable agent, acting as forward seller will receive, a commission, in the form of a reduction to the initial forward price under the related forward sale agreement, at a mutually agreed rate that will not (except as provided below) exceed, but may be lower than, 2% of the gross sales price per share of the borrowed shares of our common stock sold through such agent, as forward seller, during the applicable forward selling period for such shares (subject to certain possible adjustments to such gross sales price for daily accruals and any expected quarterly dividends having an "ex-dividend" date during such forward selling period).

The agents are not required to sell any specific number or dollar amount of shares of our common stock but will use their commercially reasonable efforts consistent with its normal trading and sales practices as our sales agents or as forward sellers and subject to the terms of the equity distribution agreement and, in the case of shares offered through such agents as forward sellers, the relevant forward sale agreement to sell the shares of our common stock offered by this prospectus supplement, as instructed by us and, in the case of shares offered through such agents as forward sellers, the relevant forward purchaser. The shares of our common stock offered and sold through the agents, as our sales agents or as forward sellers, pursuant to the equity distribution agreement will be offered and sold through only one agent on any given day.

The offering of shares of our common stock pursuant to the equity distribution agreement will terminate upon the earlier of (1) the sale of shares of our common stock subject to the equity distribution agreement having an aggregate gross sales price of \$300.0 million and (2) the termination of the equity distribution agreement by us, the agents or the forward purchasers.

Shares of our common stock trade on the NYSE under the symbol "POR." On April 26, 2023, the last sale price of shares of our common stock as reported on the NYSE was \$50.40 per share.

Investing in shares of our common stock involves risks that are described in the "Risk Factors" section beginning on page S-4 of this prospectus supplement.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus to which it relates is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Wells Fargo Securities Barclays BofA Securities

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We have not, and the agents and the forward purchasers have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different or additional information other than the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any applicable free writing prospectus in making a decision about whether to invest in shares of our common stock. If anyone provides you with different or additional information, we cannot assure you as to its accuracy. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to purchase, any securities in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus, any applicable free writing prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein or therein is accurate only as of their respective dates or on the date or dates that are specified in such documents. Our business, financial condition, liquidity, results of operations, funds from operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of the offering of our common stock and also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus. The second part is the accompanying prospectus, which gives more general information, some of which does not apply to our common stock. If the description of our common stock or the offering of our common stock varies between this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement.

In addition, any statement in a filing we make with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") that is incorporated, or deemed to be incorporated, by reference herein and adds to, updates or changes information contained in an earlier filing we made with the SEC shall be deemed to modify and supersede such information in the earlier filing.

This prospectus supplement does not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should read the accompanying prospectus as well as the documents incorporated, and deemed to be incorporated, by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. See "Incorporation by Reference" in this prospectus supplement and "Where You Can Find More Information" in the accompanying prospectus.

The distribution of this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any related free writing prospectus filed with the SEC and the offering of our common stock in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any such free writing prospectus come should inform themselves about and observe any such restrictions. This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any such free writing prospectus do not constitute, and may not be used in connection with, an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. See "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)."

CERTAIN DEFINITIONS; BASIS OF PRESENTATION

In this prospectus supplement, unless otherwise expressly stated or the context requires otherwise:

- "2021 Credit Agreement" means the second amended and restated credit agreement between the Company and certain lenders dated September 10, 2021, as amended or otherwise modified from time to time;
- "366-Day Bridge Credit Agreement" means the credit agreement among the Company, the lenders party thereto and Barclays Bank, PLC, as Administrative Agent dated October 21, 2022;
- "OPUC" means the Public Utility Commission of Oregon;
- "PGE," "the Company," "we," "us," "our" and similar references refer to Portland General Electric Company and its subsidiaries;
- "RFP" means requests for proposals;
- "revolving credit facility" means our \$650 million unsecured revolving credit facility pursuant to the 2021
 Credit Agreement, as the same may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time and, unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires, including any successor credit facility; and
- "term loan" means our \$260 million 366-day term loan pursuant to the 366-Day Bridge Credit Agreement, which expires on October 22, 2023.

Unless otherwise specified or the context requires otherwise, information in this prospectus supplement assumes that we effect full physical settlement of any forward sale agreement that we enter into in connection with this offering.

All references to currency amounts included in this prospectus supplement are in U.S. dollars unless specifically noted otherwise.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents they incorporate by reference contain, and any related free writing prospectus issued by us may contain, statements that are not historical facts and constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements that relate to expectations, beliefs, plans, assumptions, and objectives concerning future results of operations, business prospects, loads, outcome of litigation and regulatory proceedings, capital expenditures, market conditions, the performance of our Eligible Investments with respect to various measures of sustainability, future events or performance, and other matters. Words or phrases such as "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "plans," "predicts," "projects," "will likely result," "will continue," "should," or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties, including those risks discussed in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents they incorporate by reference, that could cause actual results or outcomes to differ materially from those expressed. Expectations, beliefs and projections of PGE are expressed in good faith and are believed by the Company to have a reasonable basis including, but not limited to, management's examination of historical operating trends and data contained either in internal records or available from third parties, but there can be no assurance that PGE's expectations, beliefs or projections will be achieved or accomplished.

In addition to any assumptions and other factors and matters referred to specifically in connection with forward-looking statements, factors that could cause actual results or outcomes for PGE to differ materially from those discussed in such forward-looking statements include:

- governmental policies, legislative action, and regulatory audits, investigations, and actions, including those
 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), the OPUC, the Securities Exchange
 Commission (the "SEC"), and the Division of Enforcement of the Commodity Futures Trading
 Commission with respect to allowed rates of return, financings, electricity pricing and price structures,
 acquisition and disposal of facilities and other assets, construction and operation of plant facilities,
 transmission of electricity, recovery of power costs, operating expenses, deferrals, timely recovery of
 costs, and capital investments, energy trading activities, and current or prospective wholesale and retail
 competition;
- economic conditions that result in decreased demand for electricity, reduced revenue from sales of excess energy during periods of low wholesale market prices, impaired financial stability of vendors and service providers, and elevated levels of uncollectible customer accounts;
- inflation and interest rates;
- changing customer expectations and choices that may reduce customer demand for its services may impact
 PGE's ability to make and recover its investments through rates and earn its authorized return on equity,
 including the impact of growing distributed and renewable generation resources, changing customer
 demand for enhanced electric services, and an increasing risk that customers procure electricity from
 registered Electricity Service Suppliers or the adoption of community choice aggregation;
- the timing or outcome of legal and regulatory proceedings and issues including, but not limited to, the
 matters described under the heading of Regulatory Matters in the Overview section in Item 2 and Note 8,
 Contingencies in the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 1 "Financial
 Statements" of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2023;
- natural or human-caused disasters and other risks, including, but not limited to, earthquake, flood, ice, drought, extreme heat, lightning, wind, fire, accidents, equipment failure, acts of terrorism, computer system outages and other events that disrupt PGE operations, damage PGE facilities and systems, cause the release of harmful materials, cause fires, and subject the Company to liability;
- unseasonable or severe weather and other natural phenomena, such as the greater size and prevalence of
 wildfires in Oregon in recent years, which could affect public safety, customers' demand for power and
 PGE's ability and cost to procure adequate power and fuel supplies to serve its customers, PGE's ability to
 access the wholesale energy market, PGE's ability to operate its generating facilities and transmission and
 distribution systems, the Company's costs to maintain, repair, and replace such facilities and systems, and
 recovery of costs;

- PGE's ability to effectively implement a public safety power shutoff and de-energize its system in the
 event of heightened wildfire risk, which could lead to potential liability if energized systems are involved
 in wildfires that cause harm;
- operational factors affecting PGE's power generating facilities and battery storage facilities, including forced outages, unscheduled delays, hydro and wind conditions, and disruption of fuel supply, any of which may cause the Company to incur repair costs or purchase replacement power at increased costs;
- default or nonperformance on the part of any parties from whom PGE purchases capacity or energy, which
 may cause the Company to incur costs to purchase replacement power and related renewable attributes at
 increased costs;
- complications arising from PGE's jointly-owned plant, including changes in ownership, adverse regulatory
 outcomes or legislative actions, or operational failures that result in legal or environmental liabilities or
 unanticipated costs related to replacement power or repair costs;
- delays in the supply chain and increased supply costs, failure to complete capital projects on schedule or
 within budget, failure of counterparties to perform under agreements, or the abandonment of capital
 projects, any of which could result in the Company's inability to recover project costs, or impact PGE's
 competitive position, market share, or results of operations in a material way;
- volatility in wholesale power and natural gas prices, including but not limited to volatility caused by
 macroeconomic and international issues, that could require PGE to post additional collateral or issue
 additional letters of credit pursuant to power and natural gas purchase agreements;
- changes in the availability and price of wholesale power and fuels, including natural gas and coal, and the impact of such changes on the Company's power costs;
- capital market conditions, including availability of capital, volatility of interest rates, reductions in demand
 for investment-grade commercial paper, volatility of equity markets as well as changes in PGE's credit
 ratings, any of which could have an impact on the Company's cost of capital and its ability to access the
 capital markets to support requirements for working capital, construction of capital projects, the
 repayments of maturing debt, and stock-based compensation plans, which are relied upon in part to retain
 key executives and employees;
- future laws, regulations, and proceedings that could increase the Company's costs of operating its thermal generating plants, or affect the operations of such plants by imposing requirements for additional emissions controls or significant emissions fees or taxes, particularly with respect to coal-fired generating facilities, in order to mitigate carbon dioxide, mercury, and other gas emissions;
- changes in, and compliance with, environmental laws and policies, including those related to threatened and endangered species, fish, and wildlife;
- the effects of climate change, whether global or local in nature, including unseasonable or extreme weather and other natural phenomena that may affect energy costs or consumption, increase the Company's costs, cause damage to PGE facilities and system, or adversely affect its operations;
- changes in residential, commercial, or industrial customer growth, or demographic patterns, in PGE's service territory;
- the effectiveness of PGE's risk management policies and procedures;
- cybersecurity attacks, data security breaches, physical attacks and security breaches, or other malicious
 acts that cause damage to the Company's generation, transmission, or distribution facilities, information
 technology systems, inhibit the capability of equipment or systems to function as designed or expected, or
 result in the release of confidential customer, vendor, employee, or Company information;
- employee workforce factors, including potential strikes, work stoppages, transitions in senior
 management, the ability to recruit and retain key employees and other talent, and turnover due to
 macroeconomic trends such as voluntary resignation of large numbers of employees similar to that
 experienced by other employers and industries since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- new federal, state, and local laws that could have adverse effects on operating results;

- failure to achieve the Company's greenhouse gas emission goals or being perceived to have either failed to
 act responsibly with respect to the environment or effectively respond to legislative requirements
 concerning greenhouse gas emission reductions, any of which could lead to adverse publicity and have
 adverse effects on the Company's operations and/or damage the Company's reputation;
- political and economic conditions;
- the impact of widespread health developments, including the global COVID-19 pandemic, and responses
 to such developments (such as voluntary and mandatory quarantines, including government stay at home
 orders, as well as shut downs and other restrictions on travel, commercial, social and other activities),
 which could materially and adversely affect, among other things, demand for electric services, customers'
 ability to pay, supply chains, personnel, contract counterparties, liquidity and financial markets;
- changes in financial or regulatory accounting principles or policies imposed by governing bodies;
- risks and uncertainties related to 2021 All-Source RFP final shortlist projects, including, but not limited to regulatory processes, inflationary impacts, supply chain constraints, supply cost increases (including application of tariffs impacting solar module imports), and legislative uncertainty; and
- acts of war or terrorism.

While we believe that the assumptions underlying such forward-looking statements are reasonable, there can be no assurance that future events or developments will not cause such statements to be inaccurate. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which such statement is made and, except as required by law, PGE undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. New factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such factors or assess the impact of any such factor on the business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. All forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents they incorporate by reference are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. We expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect any changes in events or circumstances or in our expectations or results.

We caution you not to rely unduly on any forward-looking statements. You should review and consider carefully the risks, uncertainties and other factors that affect our business as described herein and in our reports and other documents on file with the SEC that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and any related free writing prospectus issued by us. You may obtain copies of these reports and documents as described under "Where You Can Find More Information."

This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated and deemed to be incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus include, and any free writing prospectus we provide you in connection with this offering may include, market, demographic and industry data and forecasts that are based on or derived from sources such as independent industry publications, publicly available information, government data and other information from third parties or that have been compiled or prepared by our management or employees. We do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any of this information, and we have not independently verified any of the information provided by third party sources. In addition, market, demographic and industry data and forecasts involve estimates, assumptions and other uncertainties and are subject to change based on various factors, including those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" in this prospectus supplement and under similar headings in documents that are incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any of this information.

SUMMARY

This summary highlights certain information about our business and this offering. This is a summary of information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or incorporated by reference herein or therein and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in our common stock. For a more complete understanding of this offering and our business, you should read and carefully consider this entire prospectus supplement, including the section titled "Risk Factors," the accompanying prospectus and all documents incorporated by reference herein and therein.

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

Portland General Electric Company, a vertically integrated electric utility with corporate headquarters located in Portland, Oregon, is engaged in the generation, purchase, transmission, distribution, and retail sale of electricity in the state of Oregon. The Company operates as a cost-based, regulated electric utility with revenue requirements and customer prices determined based on the forecasted cost to serve retail customers, and a reasonable rate of return as determined by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon. PGE meets its retail load requirement with both Company-owned generation and power purchased in the wholesale market. The Company participates in the wholesale market through the purchase and sale of electricity and natural gas, as well as buying and selling transmission products and services, in an effort to obtain reasonably-priced power to serve its retail customers. In addition, PGE offers wholesale electricity transmission service pursuant to its Open Access Transmission Tariff, which contains rates, terms, and conditions of service, as filed with, and approved by, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. PGE, incorporated in 1930, is publicly-owned, with its common stock listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "POR." The Company operates as a single business segment, with revenues and costs related to its business activities maintained and analyzed on a total electric operations basis.

PGE's state-approved service area allocation of approximately 4,000 square miles is located entirely within Oregon and includes 51 incorporated cities, of which Portland and Salem are the largest. The Company estimates that as of December 31, 2022 its service area population was 1.9 million.

Our outstanding common stock is listed on the NYSE under the symbol "POR."

Our principal executive offices are located at 121 SW Salmon Street, Portland, Oregon 97204. Our telephone number is (503) 464-8000. Our website is www.portlandgeneral.com. Information contained on our website does not constitute a part of this prospectus supplement.

The foregoing information about us is only a general summary and is not intended to be comprehensive. For additional information about PGE, you should refer to the information described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information."

The Offering

Issuer

Portland General Electric Corporation

Shares of Common Stock Offered From Time to Time

Shares of our common stock having an aggregate gross sales price not to exceed \$300,000,000.

Manner of Offering

"At the market offering" that may be made from time to time through the sales agents.

In addition to the issuance and sale by us of shares of our common stock to or through the agents, we may enter into separate forward sale agreements, under separate master confirmations and related supplemental confirmations, with each of the forward purchasers. If we enter into a forward sale agreement with any forward purchaser, we expect that such forward purchaser (or its affiliate) will attempt to borrow from third parties and sell, through the relevant agent, acting as sales agent for such forward purchaser, shares of our common stock to hedge such forward purchaser's exposure under such forward sale agreement.

See "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)."

Use of Proceeds

We intend to use the net proceeds we receive from the issuance and sale by us of any shares of our common stock to or through the agents and any net proceeds we receive pursuant to any forward sale agreements with the relevant forward purchasers for general corporate purposes and investment in renewable energy and non-emitting dispatchable capacity, which may include repaying or repurchasing indebtedness, working capital and capital expenditures and potential future acquisitions. See "Use of Proceeds" in this prospectus supplement.

Conflicts of Interest

The forward purchasers (or their respective affiliates) will receive the net proceeds of any sale of borrowed shares of our common stock sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement in connection with any forward sale agreement. In addition, affiliates of certain of the agents are lenders and, in certain cases agents under our revolving credit facility and term loan. To the extent that we use a portion of the net proceeds we receive from sales of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or from settlement of any forward sale agreement to repay borrowings outstanding under our revolving credit facility and term loan, such affiliates of the applicable agents will receive their proportionate share of any amount that is repaid with the net proceeds we receive from sales of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or from settlement of any forward sale agreement. Because certain sales agents, forward sellers and forward purchasers or their respective affiliates are expected to receive part of the net proceeds from the sale of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement, such sales agents, forward

sellers and forward purchasers would be deemed to have a conflict of interest under Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") Rule 5121 to the extent such sales agents, forward sellers and forward purchasers or their affiliates receive at least 5% of the net proceeds of the offering. Any sales agent, forward seller or forward purchaser deemed to have a conflict of interest would be required to conduct the distribution of our common stock in accordance with FINRA Rule 5121. If the offering is conducted in accordance with FINRA Rule 5121, such sales agent, forward seller or forward purchaser would not be permitted to confirm a sale to an account over which it exercises discretionary authority without first receiving specific written approval from the account holder. The appointment of a "qualified independent underwriter" (as defined in FINRA Rule 5121) is not necessary for this offering because the shares of common stock being offered have a "bona fide public market" (as defined in FINRA Rule 5121). See "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest) – Conflicts of Interest" in this prospectus supplement.

See "Risk Factors" in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and other information incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus for a discussion of some of the risks and other factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in shares of our

Risk Factors

common stock.

RISK FACTORS

Investment in our common stock involves risks. You should carefully consider the risks described below and the risk factors incorporated into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus by reference to our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, our subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and any Current Reports on Form 8-K filed (and not furnished) by us with the SEC subsequent to the last day of the fiscal year covered by our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and all other information contained or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), as well as any free writing prospectus we may provide you in connection with sales pursuant to this prospectus supplement, before acquiring any of our common stock. The occurrence of any of these risks might cause you to lose all or part of your investment in the shares. See also "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements." In that regard, unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires, references to our common stock or preferred stock appearing under the caption "Risk Factors" in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K include the common stock offered hereby.

Risks Related to Sales Pursuant to this Prospectus Supplement and any Forward Sale Agreement

The price of our common stock may be volatile. This volatility may affect the price at which you could sell our common stock, and the sale of substantial amounts of our common stock could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

The market price for our common stock has historically experienced, and may continue to experience, volatility. This volatility may affect the price at which you could sell our common stock, and the sale or issuance of substantial amounts of our common stock, or the perception that such sales or issuances could occur, could adversely affect the market price of our common stock. In addition, the availability for sale of substantial amounts of our common stock could adversely impact its market price. Likewise, the forward sale agreements that we may enter into as described herein, or the expectation that those issuances will occur, may have a similar effect. Any of the foregoing may also impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of our equity securities. The market price of our common stock may be influenced by many factors, some of which are beyond our control, including the factors discussed above under "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" or elsewhere in this Risk Factors section and the following:

- actual or anticipated fluctuations in our operating results or our competitors' or peers' operating results;
- actions by applicable regulatory authorities;
- announcements by us, our competitors or our partners of significant contracts, acquisitions, divestitures or strategic investments;
- our growth rate and our competitors' or peers' growth rates;
- the financial markets and general economic conditions;
- changes in stock market analyst recommendations regarding us, our competitors, our peers or the energy infrastructure, gas and electricity services industries generally, or lack of analyst coverage of our common stock;
- sales of our common stock by our executive officers, directors and significant shareholders or sales of substantial amounts of our common stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock; and
- changes in the amount of our common stock dividends per share, the common stock dividends per share paid by our competitors and interest rates.

We expect that we will need to raise additional capital, and raising additional funds by issuing additional equity securities or with additional debt financing may cause dilution to shareholders or restrict our operations.

We expect that we will need to raise additional capital in the future. We may raise additional funds through public or private equity or debt offerings or other financings, as well as additional borrowings under our credit facilities. Additional issuances of equity securities, including shares of our common stock, or debt or other

securities that are convertible into or exchangeable for, or that represent the right to receive, common stock could dilute the economic and other rights and interests of holders of shares of our common stock and cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

Any new debt financing we enter into may involve covenants that restrict our operations more than our current outstanding debt and credit facilities. These restrictive covenants could include limitations on additional borrowings, and specific restrictions on the use of our assets, as well as prohibitions or limitations on our ability to create liens, pay dividends, receive distributions from our subsidiaries, redeem or repurchase our stock or make investments. These factors could hinder our access to capital markets and limit or delay our ability to carry out our capital expenditure plan or pursue other opportunities beyond the current capital expenditure plan, including the development opportunities that are part of our projects described in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2023.

Provisions of Oregon law and anti-takeover provisions in our organizational documents might discourage, delay or prevent changes in control of our company and may result in an entrenchment of management and diminish the value of our common stock.

We are incorporated under the laws of the State of Oregon. The Oregon Business Combination Act imposes some restrictions on mergers and other business combinations between us and holders of 15% or more of our outstanding common stock. In addition, we are subject to the anti-takeover provisions of the Oregon Control Share Act, which would prohibit an acquirer, under certain circumstances, from voting shares of our stock after crossing specific threshold ownership percentages, unless the acquirer obtains the approval of our shareholders or we amend our articles of incorporation or bylaws to opt-out of the Oregon Control Share Act.

Other statutory and regulatory factors may also limit another party's ability to acquire us. Section 757.511 of the Oregon Revised Statutes provides that no person, directly or indirectly, may acquire power to exercise any substantial influence over the policies and actions of a public utility without the prior approval of the OPUC if such person is or would become an "affiliated interest" (as defined in Section 757.015 (1), (2) or (3) of the Oregon Business Corporation Act), which includes a person that directly or indirectly holds 5% or more of the voting securities of the public utility. The regulatory approval process for an acquirer could be lengthy and the outcome uncertain, which may deter otherwise interested parties from proposing or attempting a business combination with us and result in a limited number of potential acquirers. In addition, under the Oregon Community Power Act, in the event of a proposed sale of more than 50% of our voting shares, an acquisition review committee will be formed to represent that cities and counties that would be affected by the acquisition. Such committee would then evaluate whether it would be in the best interests of the public for Oregon Community Power, a public corporation formed under the Oregon Community Power Act, to instead acquire us. In the event that such committee reached such determination, the Governor of the State of Oregon would then activate Oregon Community Power, which would then be empowered to complete such acquisition. These statutory provisions may discourage or limit another party's ability to acquire us and could deprive you of the opportunity to gain a takeover premium for shares of our common stock. For more information, please read the section entitled "Description of Common Stock—Provisions With Possible Anti-Takeover Effects" beginning on page 7 of the accompanying prospectus.

Certain provisions of our articles of incorporation and bylaws could have the effect of delaying, deterring or preventing another party from acquiring or seeking to acquire control of us. These provisions are intended to discourage certain types of coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids and to encourage anyone seeking to acquire control of us to negotiate first with our board of directors. However, these provisions could also delay, deter or prevent a change of control or other takeover of our company that our shareholders might consider to be in their best interests, including transactions that might result in a premium being paid over the market prices of our common stock and may also limit the prices that investors are willing to pay in the future for our common stock.

These provisions may also have the effect of preventing changes in our management. Our articles of incorporation and bylaws include anti-takeover provisions that:

authorize our board of directors, without a vote or other action by our shareholders, to cause the issuance
of preferred stock in one or more series and, with respect to each series, to fix the number of

shares constituting that series and to establish the rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions of that series, which may include, among other things, dividend and liquidation rights and preferences, rights to convert such shares into common stock, and the economic interests of holders of our common stock;

- establish advance notice requirements and procedures for shareholders to submit nominations of candidates for election to our board of directors and to propose other business to be brought before a shareholders meeting;
- provide that vacancies in our board of directors, including vacancies created by the removal of any director, may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office;
- provide that no shareholder may cumulate votes in the election of directors, which means that the holders
 of a majority of our outstanding shares of common stock can elect all directors standing for election by our
 common shareholders; and
- require that any action to be taken by our shareholders must be taken either (1) at a duly called annual or special meeting of shareholders or (2) by written consent of shareholders having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to take such action at a meeting at which all shareholders entitled to vote on the action were present and voted.

We may be unable to, or may choose not to, continue to pay dividends on our common stock at current or planned rates or at all and, in some circumstances, the payment of dividends may be limited by the terms of our debt instruments

We have historically paid regular quarterly dividends on our common stock. However, the declaration of dividends is at the discretion of our board of directors and is not guaranteed. Any future payments of cash dividends, and the amount of any cash dividends we pay, on our common stock and any series of our preferred stock we may issue in the future will depend on, among other things, our financial condition, capital requirements and results of operations, and the ability of our subsidiaries and investments to distribute cash to us, as well as other factors that our board of directors may consider relevant. If we were to reduce the amount of cash dividends per share payable on our common stock, fail to increase the amount of those cash dividends per share in the future in accordance with market expectations, or at all, or cease paying those cash dividends altogether, it would likely have an adverse impact, which may be material, on the market price of our common stock and any series of preferred stock we may issue in the future.

In addition, the terms of our debt instruments may limit our payment of dividends. Under our Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated July 1, 1945, as amended and supplemented to date, between Portland General Electric Company and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (successor trustee to HSBC Bank USA, National Association), so long as any of our first mortgage bonds are outstanding, we may not pay or declare dividends (other than stock dividends) on common stock or purchase or retire for a consideration (other than in exchange for other shares of our capital stock or the proceeds from the sale of other shares of our capital stock) any shares of capital stock of any class, if the aggregate amount distributed or expended after December 31, 1944 would exceed the aggregate amount of our net income, as adjusted, available for dividends on our common stock accumulated after December 31, 1944. As of December 31, 2022, approximately \$399 million of accumulated net income was available for payment of dividends under this provision.

Further, under Oregon law, our board of directors may not declare and pay dividends on shares of our common stock or any series of preferred stock we may issue unless after giving effect to such dividend, in the judgment of our board of directors: (a) we would be able to pay our debts as they become due in the usual course of business; and (b) our total assets would at least equal the sum of our total liabilities plus the amount that would be needed if we were to be dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of shareholders whose preferential rights are superior to those receiving the distribution. Further, even if we are permitted under our contractual obligations and Oregon law to declare and pay cash dividends on the shares of common stock and any series of preferred stock we may issue, we may not have sufficient cash to declare and pay dividends in cash on the outstanding shares of our common stock and any series of preferred stock we may issue.

As a result of certain statutory requirements of Oregon law and the Federal Power Act and the U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations of transfers of control over public utilities, certain investors could be required to obtain regulatory approval to acquire shares of our common stock.

As described above under "—Provisions of Oregon law and our articles of incorporation and bylaws could delay or prevent a change in control of us, even if that change would be beneficial to our shareholders," Section 757.511 of the Oregon Revised Statutes requires prior approval of the OPUC if a person will acquire the power to exercise any substantial influence over the policies and actions of a public utility, if such person has or would acquire, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of the voting securities of the public utility. Accordingly, any person or entity that will directly or indirectly hold 5% or more of our total outstanding common stock may require OPUC approval before acquiring the power to exercise such substantial influence

We are a "public utility" (as defined in the Federal Power Act (the "FPA")) subject to the jurisdiction of the FERC because we own or operate a FERC-jurisdictional facility, including transmission facilities, certain generation interconnection facilities, and various "paper" facilities, such as wholesale power sales contracts and market-based rate tariffs. The FPA requires us either to obtain prior authorization from FERC prior to the transfer of an amount of our common stock sufficient to convey direct or indirect "control" over us or to qualify for a blanket authorization granted under FERC's regulations for certain types of transfers generally deemed by FERC not to convey direct or indirect "control." At the same time, if any person and any of its associate or affiliate companies in the aggregate, any "public utility" (as defined in the FPA), or any "holding company" (as defined in the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005) acquires an amount of our common stock sufficient to convey direct or indirect "control" over us, that acquirer would either need to obtain prior authorization for such acquisition from FERC or to qualify for a blanket authorization under FERC's regulations. Under FERC's regulations and applicable precedent, ownership of 10% or more of our common stock would be presumed to give that owner "control" absent rebuttal of that presumption. Any failure to obtain any such prior authorization or to qualify for a blanket authorization would generally allow FERC to void the transaction that resulted in the relevant person obtaining "control" over us, including by acquiring 10% or more of our common stock, and/or to assess monetary penalties. Accordingly, investors should consult their own legal advisors before acquiring shares of common stock sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement if the acquisition of these shares would result in their owning more than 10% of our outstanding common stock or would otherwise give them direct or indirect control over us.

Certain credit rating agencies may downgrade our credit ratings or place those ratings on negative outlook, which may adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

Credit rating agencies routinely evaluate us, and their ratings of our long-term and short-term debt are based on a number of factors, including the perceived supportiveness of the regulatory environment affecting our utility operations, our cash generating capability, level of indebtedness, overall financial strength, the status of certain capital projects, and indebtedness, as well as factors beyond our control, such as tax reform, the state of the economy and our industry generally. We have incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus the risk factor included in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022 filed with the SEC on February 16, 2023 (the "2023 Form 10-K") under the heading "Risk Factors – Economic, Financial, and Market Risks – Adverse changes in PGE's credit ratings could negatively affect its access to the capital markets and its cost of borrowed funds." You should review and consider carefully the risks, uncertainties and other factors related to our credit ratings included in such risk factor and elsewhere in our 2023 Form 10-K as well as those risks, uncertainties and other factors related to our credit ratings described below.

We cannot assure you that one or more credit rating agencies will not downgrade our credit ratings or that additional credit rating agencies will not place those ratings on negative outlook, either in the near term or later.

We may be unable to realize the anticipated benefits from our plans to construct the Clearwater Wind Project.

On October 25, 2022, we announced that our board of directors approved a plan to construct the Clearwater Wind Project for approximately \$415 million, excluding allowance for funds used during construction, and we will need to make additional acquisitions of renewable and non-emitting resources to meet our requirement under Oregon House Bill 2021 by 2030. The completion of the construction of the Clearwater Wind Project will be dependent upon a number of factors that may be beyond our control, including, but not limited to, that a

condition to closing of such acquisition may not be satisfied and the risk that such acquisition may not be completed for other reasons, or may not be completed on the terms or timing currently contemplated. In addition, even if completed, there can be no assurance that the construction of the Clearwater Wind Project will result in the anticipated benefits or that such acquisition would result in additional value to our shareholders.

Sales or issuances of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that these sales or issuances may occur, could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

Sales or issuances of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market, including upon settlement of any forward sale agreements we may enter into as described herein, or the perception that these sales or issuances may occur, could cause the market price of our common stock to decline. This could also impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of our equity securities. Future sales or issuances of our common stock or other equity-related securities could be dilutive to holders of our common stock and could adversely affect their voting and other rights and economic interests, including purchasers of our common stock sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement.

You may experience significant dilution as a result of sales pursuant to this prospectus supplement and settlement of any forward sale agreement we may enter into, which may adversely affect the per share market price of our common stock.

Sales pursuant to this prospectus supplement and settlement of any forward sale agreements we may enter into with any of the forward purchasers may have a dilutive effect on our earnings per share and funds from operations per share after giving effect to the issuance of our common stock, including the sale by us of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or pursuant to any forward sale agreements, and the receipt of the expected net proceeds. The actual amount of dilution from sales pursuant to this prospectus supplement or settlement of any forward sale agreement, or from any future offering of common or preferred stock, will be based on numerous factors, particularly the number of shares of our common stock issued, the use of proceeds and the return generated by such investment, and cannot be determined at this time. The per share market price of our common stock could decline as a result of sales of a large number of shares of our common stock in the market pursuant to this prospectus supplement or settlement of any forward sale agreement, or otherwise, or as a result of the perception or expectation that such sales could occur.

The actual number of shares we will issue under the Sales Agreement, at any one time or in total, is uncertain.

Subject to certain limitations in the Equity Distributions Agreements and compliance with applicable law, we have the discretion to deliver a placement notice to our sales agents at any time throughout the term of the Equity Distributions Agreements. The number of shares that are sold by to our sales agents after delivering a placement notice will fluctuate based on the market price of the shares of common stock during the sales period and limits we set with our sales agents. Because the price per share of each share sold will fluctuate based on the market price of our common stock during the sales period, it is not possible at this stage to predict the number of shares that will be ultimately issued. The common stock offered hereby will be sold in "at the market offerings" and investors who buy shares at different times will likely pay different prices.

Investors who purchase shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement at different times will likely pay different prices, and accordingly may experience different levels of dilution and different outcomes in their investment results. We will have discretion, subject to market demand, to vary the timing, prices and number of shares sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement. In addition, subject to the final determination by our board of directors or any restrictions we may place in any applicable placement notice, there is no minimum or maximum sales price for shares to be sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement. Investors may experience a decline in the value of the shares they purchase in this offering as a result of sales made at prices lower than the prices they paid.

Settlement provisions contained in any forward sale agreement subject us to certain risks.

Each forward purchaser will have the right to accelerate its forward sale agreement with respect to all or any portion of the transaction under such forward sale agreement (except with respect to events specified in (1) and (3) below, where accelerated settlement is limited to the portion of shares whose settlement would address the relevant event or that is affected by the relevant event) that it enters into with us and require us to

physically settle such shares on a date specified by such forward purchaser if: (1) in such forward purchaser's commercially reasonable judgment, it or its affiliate is unable to hedge (or maintain a hedge of) its exposure in a commercially reasonable manner under such forward sale agreement because (a) insufficient shares of our common stock have been made available for borrowing by securities lenders or (b) such forward purchaser or any of its affiliates would incur a stock borrow cost in excess of a specified threshold; (2) we declare any dividend, issue or distribution on shares of our common stock (other than a dividend that constitutes an extraordinary dividend under the forward sale agreement) that is payable in (a) cash in excess of specified amounts. (b) securities of another company that we acquire or own (directly or indirectly) as a result of a spin-off or similar transaction, or (c) any other type of securities (other than our common stock), rights, warrants or other assets for payment at less than the prevailing market price; (3) certain ownership thresholds applicable to such forward purchaser and its affiliates are or would be exceeded; (4) an event (a) is announced that if consummated would result in a specified extraordinary event (including certain mergers or tender offers, as well as certain events involving our nationalization, our insolvency or a delisting of our common stock) or (b) occurs that would constitute a hedging disruption or change in law; or (5) certain other events of default or termination events occur, including, among others, any material misrepresentation made by us in connection with such forward sale agreement or our insolvency (each as more fully described in the relevant forward sale agreement).

A forward purchaser's decision to exercise its right to accelerate all or a portion of the settlement of any forward sale agreement and to require us to physically settle the relevant shares will be made irrespective of our interests, including our need for capital. In such cases, we could be required to issue and deliver shares of our common stock under the terms of the physical settlement provisions of the applicable forward sale agreement irrespective of our capital needs, which would result in dilution to our earnings per share and funds from operations per share.

Except under certain circumstances, we will generally have the right, in lieu of physical settlement of any forward sale agreement, to elect cash or net share settlement in respect of any or all of the shares of common stock subject to such forward sale agreement. If we elect to cash or net share settle all or any part of any forward sale agreement, we would expect the relevant forward purchaser or one of its affiliates to purchase shares of our common stock in secondary market transactions over an unwind period to:

- return shares of our common stock to securities lenders in order to unwind such forward purchaser's hedge
 (after taking into consideration any shares of our common stock to be delivered by us to such forward
 purchaser, in the case of net share settlement); and
- if applicable, in the case of net share settlement, deliver shares of our common stock to us to the extent required upon settlement of such forward sale agreement.

The forward price we expect to receive upon physical settlement of a forward sale agreement will be subject to adjustment on a daily basis based on a floating interest rate factor equal to a specified daily rate less a spread. In addition, the forward price will be subject to decrease on certain dates specified in the relevant forward sale agreement by the amount per share of quarterly dividends we expect to declare on our common stock during the term of such forward sale agreement. If the specified daily rate is less than the applicable spread on any day, the interest rate factor will result in a daily reduction of the forward price. If the Rule 10b-18 volume weighted average price over the relevant unwind period (in the case of cash settlement) or the price paid by the applicable forward purchasers or their respective affiliates to so purchase our common stock (in the case of net share settlement), in each case, is below the relevant forward price, such forward purchaser will pay us such difference in cash (if we elect to cash settle) or deliver to us a number of shares of our common stock having a market value equal to such difference (if we elect to net share settle). If the Rule 10b-18 volume weighted average price over the relevant unwind period (in the case of cash settlement) or the price paid by the applicable forward purchasers or their respective affiliates to so purchase our common stock (in the case of net share settlement), in each case exceeds the applicable forward price, we will pay such forward purchaser an amount in cash equal to such difference (if we elect to cash settle) or we will deliver to such forward purchaser a number of shares of our common stock having a market value equal to such difference (if we elect to net share settle). Any such difference could be significant and could result in our receipt of a significant amount of cash or number of shares of our common stock from such forward purchaser or require us to pay a significant amount of cash or deliver a significant number of shares of our common stock to such forward purchaser. See "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)—Sales Through Forward Sellers."

The purchase of shares of our common stock by a forward purchaser or its affiliate to unwind the forward purchaser's hedge position could cause the price of our common stock to increase above the price that would have prevailed in the absence of those purchases (or prevent a decrease in such price), thereby increasing the amount of cash (in the case of cash settlement) or the number of shares (in the case of net share settlement) that we would owe such forward purchaser upon settlement of the applicable forward sale agreement or decrease the amount of cash (in the case of cash settlement) or the number of shares (in the case of net share settlement) that such forward purchaser would owe us upon settlement of the applicable forward sale agreement.

In case of our bankruptcy or insolvency, any forward sale agreement will automatically terminate, and we would not receive the expected net proceeds from any forward sales of our shares under those agreements.

If we file for or consent to a proceeding seeking a judgment in bankruptcy or insolvency or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or we or a regulatory authority with jurisdiction over us presents a petition for our winding-up or liquidation, or we consent to such a petition, any forward sale agreement that is then in effect will automatically terminate. If any such forward sale agreement so terminates under these circumstances, we would not be obligated to deliver to the relevant forward purchaser any shares of our common stock not previously delivered, and the relevant forward purchaser would be discharged from its obligation to pay the applicable forward price per share in respect of any shares of our common stock not previously settled under the applicable forward sale agreement. Therefore, to the extent that there are any shares of our common stock with respect to which any forward sale agreement has not been settled at the time of the commencement of any such bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings, we would not receive the relevant forward price per share in respect of those shares of our common stock.

We have in the past entered, and may in the future enter, into forward sale transactions that subject us to risks similar to those described above.

We have previously entered into and are currently contemplating into forward sale agreements and may in the future enter into forward sale agreements that are not part of this and other offerings. These forward sale agreements subject us to risks that are substantially similar to the risks described above in this section.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We intend to use the net proceeds we receive from the issuance and sale by us of any shares of our common stock to or through the agents and any net proceeds we receive pursuant to any forward sale agreements with the relevant forward purchasers for general corporate purposes and investment in renewable energy and non-emitting dispatchable capacity, which may include repaying or repurchasing indebtedness, working capital and capital expenditures and potential future acquisitions.

As of April 26, 2023, we had \$104.0 million of indebtedness outstanding under our revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility offers the potential for adjustments to interest rate margins and fees based on our achievement of certain annual sustainability-linked metrics related to our non-emitting generation capacity and the percentage of management comprised of women and employees who identify as black, indigenous, and people of color. The revolving credit facility has a maturity date of September 10, 2027 (extendable at our request but subject to the support of consenting lenders). Based on our credit ratings and KPI adjustments as of April 26, 2023, the revolving credit facility incurred a Commitment Fee of 11.5 bps per annum and any outstanding borrowings would have incurred interest at Adjusted Term SOFR plus an Applicable Margin of 107.5 bps per annum.

As of the date of this prospectus supplement, affiliates of certain of the agents are lenders, and, in certain cases, agents under our revolving credit facility and term loan. To the extent that we use a portion of the net proceeds we receive from sales of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or from settlement of any forward sale agreement to repay borrowings outstanding under our revolving credit facility or term loan, such affiliates of the applicable agents will receive their proportionate share of any amount that is repaid with the net proceeds we receive from sales of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or from settlement of any forward sale agreement. If at the time of any offering made under this prospectus a member of FINRA participating in the offering has a "conflict of interest" as defined in FINRA Rule 5121, that offering will be conducted in accordance with the relevant provisions of FINRA Rule 5121.

Pending application of cash proceeds, we will invest the net proceeds in interest-bearing accounts and short-term, interest-bearing securities in a manner that is consistent with our customary risk management policies.

If we enter into a forward sale agreement with any forward purchaser, we expect that such forward purchaser (or its affiliate) will attempt to borrow from third parties and sell, through the relevant agent, acting as forward seller, shares of our common stock to hedge such forward purchaser's exposure under such forward sale agreement. All of the net proceeds from the sale of any such borrowed shares will be paid to the applicable forward purchaser (or one or more of its affiliates). Each forward purchaser will be either an agent or an affiliate of an agent. As a result, an agent or its affiliate will receive the net proceeds from any sale of borrowed shares of our common stock made in connection with any forward sale agreements.

For additional information, see "Plan of Distribution(Conflicts of Interest)—Other Relationships."

MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS TO NON-U.S. HOLDERS

The following discussion is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations to Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below) of the purchase, ownership and disposition of our common stock sold pursuant to this offering, but does not purport to be a complete analysis of all potential tax effects. The effects of other U.S. federal tax laws, such as estate and gift tax laws, and any applicable state, local or non-U.S. tax laws are not discussed. This discussion is based on the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder, judicial decisions, and published rulings and administrative pronouncements of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"), in each case in effect as of the date hereof. These authorities may change or be subject to differing interpretations. Any such change or differing interpretation may be applied retroactively in a manner that could adversely affect a Non-U.S. Holder of our common stock. We have not sought and will not seek any rulings from the IRS regarding the matters discussed below. There can be no assurance the IRS or a court will not take a contrary position to that discussed below regarding the tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of our common stock.

This discussion is limited to Non-U.S. Holders that hold our common stock as a "capital asset" within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code (generally, property held for investment). This discussion does not address all U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant to a Non-U.S. Holder's particular circumstances, including the impact of the alternative minimum tax and of the Medicare contribution tax on net investment income. In addition, it does not address consequences relevant to Non-U.S. Holders subject to special rules, including, without limitation:

- U.S. expatriates and former citizens or long-term residents of the United States;
- persons holding our common stock as part of a hedge, straddle or other risk reduction strategy or as part of a conversion transaction or integrated investment;
- banks, insurance companies, and other financial institutions;
- brokers, dealers or certain electing traders in securities that are subject to a mark-to-market method of tax accounting for their securities;
- "controlled foreign corporations," "passive foreign investment companies," and corporations that accumulate earnings to avoid U.S. federal income tax;
- partnerships or other entities or arrangements treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes (and investors therein):
- tax-exempt organizations or governmental organizations;
- persons deemed to sell our common stock under the constructive sale provisions of the Code;
- persons who hold or receive our common stock pursuant to the exercise of any employee stock option or otherwise as compensation;
- tax-qualified retirement plans; and
- "qualified foreign pension funds" as defined in Section 897(1)(2) of the Code and entities all of the interests of which are held by qualified foreign pension funds.

If an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds our common stock, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership will depend on the status of the partner, the activities of the partnership and certain determinations made at the partner level. Accordingly, partnerships holding our common stock and the partners in such partnerships should consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences to them.

THIS DISCUSSION IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT TAX ADVICE. INVESTORS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS WITH RESPECT TO THE APPLICATION OF THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS TO THEIR PARTICULAR SITUATIONS AS WELL AS ANY TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PURCHASE, OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF OUR COMMON STOCK ARISING UNDER THE U.S. FEDERAL ESTATE OR GIFT TAX LAWS OR UNDER THE LAWS OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. TAXING JURISDICTION OR UNDER ANY APPLICABLE INCOME TAX TREATY.

Definition of a Non-U.S. Holder

For purposes of this discussion, a "Non-U.S. Holder" is any beneficial owner of our common stock that is not a "U.S. person" or an entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. A U.S. person is any person that, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, is or is treated as any of the following:

- an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation created or organized under the laws of the United States, any state thereof, or the District of Columbia:
- an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income tax regardless of its source; or
- a trust that (1) is subject to the primary supervision of a U.S. court and the control of one or more "United States persons" (within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), or (2) has a valid election in effect to be treated as a United States person for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Distributions

If we make distributions of cash or property on our common stock, such distributions will constitute dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent paid from our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. Amounts not treated as dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes will constitute a return of capital and first be applied against and reduce a Non-U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in its common stock, but not below zero. Any excess will be treated as capital gain and will be treated as described below under "– Sale or Other Taxable Disposition."

Subject to the discussion below on effectively connected income, dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder of our common stock will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a rate of 30% of the gross amount of the dividends (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty, provided the Non-U.S. Holder furnishes a valid IRS Form W-8BEN or W-8BEN-E (or other applicable documentation) certifying qualification for the lower treaty rate). If a Non-U.S. Holder holds the stock through a financial institution or other intermediary, the Non-U.S. Holder will be required to provide appropriate documentation to the intermediary, which then will be required to provide certification to the applicable withholding agent, either directly or through other intermediaries. A Non-U.S. Holder that does not timely furnish the required documentation, but that qualifies for a reduced treaty rate, may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld by timely filing an appropriate claim for refund with the IRS. Non-U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding their entitlement to benefits under any applicable income tax treaty.

If dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, the Non-U.S. Holder maintains a permanent establishment in the United States to which such dividends are attributable), the Non-U.S. Holder will be exempt from the U.S. federal withholding tax described above. To claim the exemption, the Non-U.S. Holder must furnish to the applicable withholding agent a valid IRS Form W-8ECI, certifying that the dividends are effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States.

Any such effectively connected dividends will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net-income basis at the regular rates. A Non-U.S. Holder that is a corporation also may be subject to a branch profits tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) on such effectively connected dividends, as adjusted for certain items. Non-U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding any applicable tax treaties that may provide for different rules.

Sale or Other Taxable Disposition

A Non-U.S. Holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain realized upon the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock unless:

- the gain is effectively connected with the Non-U.S. Holder's conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, the Non-U.S. Holder maintains a permanent establishment in the United States to which such gain is attributable);
- the Non-U.S. Holder is a nonresident alien individual present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the disposition and certain other requirements are met; or
- our common stock constitutes a U.S. real property interest ("USRPI") by reason of our status as a "U.S. real property holding corporation" ("USRPHC") for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Gain described in the first bullet point above generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net-income basis at the regular rates. A Non-U.S. Holder that is a corporation also may be subject to a branch profits tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) on such effectively connected gain, as adjusted for certain items.

A Non-U.S. Holder described in the second bullet point above will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate specified by an applicable income tax treaty) on gain realized upon the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock, which may be offset by U.S.-source capital losses of the Non-U.S. Holder (even though the individual is not considered a resident of the United States), provided the Non-U.S. Holder has timely filed U.S. federal income tax returns with respect to such losses.

With respect to the third bullet point above, we believe we currently are not, and do not anticipate becoming, a USRPHC. Because the determination of whether we are a USRPHC depends, however, on the fair market value of our USRPIs relative to the fair market value of our non-U.S. real property interests and our other business assets, there can be no assurance we currently are not a USRPHC or will not become one in the future. Even if we are or were to become a USRPHC, gain arising from the sale or other taxable disposition by a Non-U.S. Holder of our common stock will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax if our common stock is "regularly traded," as defined by applicable Treasury Regulations, on an established securities market, and such Non-U.S. Holder owned, actually and constructively, 5% or less of our common stock throughout the shorter of the five-year period ending on the date of the sale or other taxable disposition and the Non-U.S. Holder's holding period.

Non-U.S. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding potentially applicable income tax treaties that may provide for different rules.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Payments of dividends on our common stock will not be subject to backup withholding, provided the applicable withholding agent does not have actual knowledge or reason to know the Non-U.S. Holder is a U.S. person and the Non-U.S. Holder either certifies its non-U.S. status, such as by furnishing a valid IRS Form W-8BEN, W-8BEN-E or W-8ECI, or otherwise establishes an exemption. However, information returns are required to be filed with the IRS in connection with any distributions on our common stock paid to the Non-U.S. Holder, regardless of whether such distributions constitute dividends or whether any tax was actually withheld. In addition, proceeds of the sale or other taxable disposition of our common stock within the United States or conducted through certain U.S.-related brokers generally will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting if the applicable withholding agent receives the certification described above and does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such Non-U.S. Holder is a U.S. person, or the Non-U.S. Holder otherwise establishes an exemption. Proceeds of a disposition of our common stock conducted through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker generally will not be subject to backup withholding or information reporting.

Copies of information returns that are filed with the IRS may also be made available under the provisions of an applicable treaty or agreement to the tax authorities of the country in which the Non-U.S. Holder resides or is established.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be allowed as a refund or a credit against a Non-U.S. Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

Additional Withholding Tax on Payments Made to Foreign Accounts

Withholding taxes may be imposed under Sections 1471 to 1474 of the Code (such Sections commonly referred to as the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act, or "FATCA") on certain types of payments made to non-U.S. financial institutions and certain other non-U.S. entities. Specifically, a 30% withholding tax may be imposed on dividends on, or (subject to the proposed Treasury Regulations discussed below) gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of, our common stock paid to a "foreign financial institution" or a "non-financial foreign entity" (each as defined in the Code), unless (1) the foreign financial institution undertakes certain diligence and reporting obligations, (2) the non-financial foreign entity either certifies it does not have any "substantial United States owners" (as defined in the Code) or furnishes identifying information regarding each substantial United States owner, or (3) the foreign financial institution or non-financial foreign entity otherwise qualifies for an exemption from these rules. If the payee is a foreign financial institution and is subject to the

diligence and reporting requirements in (1) above, it must enter into an agreement with the U.S. Department of the Treasury requiring, among other things, that it undertake to identify accounts held by certain "specified United States persons" or "United States-owned foreign entities" (each as defined in the Code), annually report certain information about such accounts, and withhold 30% on certain payments to non-compliant foreign financial institutions and certain other account holders. Foreign financial institutions located in jurisdictions that have an intergovernmental agreement with the United States governing FATCA may be subject to different rules.

Under the applicable Treasury Regulations and administrative guidance, withholding under FATCA generally applies to payments of dividends on our common stock. While withholding under FATCA would have applied also to payments of gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of stock on or after January 1, 2019, proposed Treasury Regulations eliminate FATCA withholding on payments of gross proceeds entirely. Taxpayers generally may rely on these proposed Treasury Regulations until final Treasury Regulations are issued.

Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the potential application of withholding under FATCA to their investment in our common stock.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION (CONFLICTS OF INTEREST)

On April 28, 2023, we entered into an equity distribution agreement with the agents, the forward sellers and the forward purchasers relating to shares of our common stock offered by this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus pursuant to a continuous offering program. In accordance with the terms of the equity distribution agreement, we may from time to time offer and sell shares of our common stock having an aggregate gross sales price of up to \$300.0 million through the agents, as our sales agents or, if applicable, as forward sellers, or directly to the agents acting as principals.

The shares of our common stock to which this prospectus supplement relates may be offered and sold (i) by any method or payment permitted by law to be an "at the market offering" as defined in Rule 415 under the Securities Act, including by means of ordinary brokers' transactions on the NYSE or otherwise at market prices prevailing at the time of sale or at prices related to the prevailing market prices and (ii) in negotiated transactions, including block transactions (if, and only if, we, the sales agents and any related forward seller and forward purchaser have so agreed in writing). Nothing in the equity distribution agreement shall be deemed to require us or the sales agents and any related forward seller and forward purchaser to agree to the method of offer and sale specified in clause (ii) in the prior sentence, and any party may withhold its consent thereto in any such party's sole discretion. Our sales agents will not engage in any transactions that stabilize the price of our common stock in connection with this offering.

Unless otherwise required, we intend to report on a quarterly basis (i) the number of shares of common stock sold through the sales agents under the equity distribution agreement, (ii) the number of borrowed shares of our common stock sold by the forward sellers, as agents for the forward purchasers, in connection with any forward sale agreements and (iii) the net proceeds to us and the compensation paid by us to the sales agents in connection with the sales of common stock in connection with the transactions described in clauses (i) and (ii).

The equity distribution agreement contemplates that, in addition to the issuance and sale by us of shares of our common stock to or through the agents, we may enter into separate forward sale agreements, under separate master confirmations and related supplemental confirmations, with each of the forward purchasers. If we enter into a forward sale agreement with any such forward purchaser, we expect that such forward purchaser (or its affiliate) will attempt to borrow from third parties and sell, through the relevant agent, acting as sales agent for such forward purchaser, shares of our common stock to hedge such forward purchaser's exposure under such forward sale agreement. We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of shares of our common stock borrowed by a forward purchaser (or its affiliate) and sold through a forward seller.

The agents, as our sales agents or as forward sellers, will offer shares of our common stock subject to the terms and conditions of the equity distribution agreement and, in the case of shares offered through such agents as forward sellers, the relevant forward sale agreement, on a daily basis or as otherwise agreed upon by us, the agents and any relevant forward purchasers; provided, however, that shares of our common stock will be offered and sold through only one agent on any given day. We will designate the maximum number of shares of our common stock to be sold through the agents on a daily basis, or otherwise as we, the agents and the relevant forward purchasers agree, and the minimum price per share at which such shares may be sold. Subject to the terms and conditions of the equity distribution agreement, the agents will use their commercially reasonable efforts consistent with its normal trading and sales practices to sell on our behalf or, in the case of shares offered through such agents as forward sellers, on the behalf of the relevant forward purchasers, all of the common stock so designated. We may instruct the agents not to sell shares of our common stock if the sales cannot be effected at or above the price designated by us in any such instruction. We or the agents may suspend the offering of shares of our common stock being made through the agents under the equity distribution agreement upon proper notice to the other parties.

In connection with the sale of shares of our common stock on our behalf, an agent may be deemed to be an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and the compensation paid to an agent may be deemed to be an underwriting commission or discount. We have agreed in the equity distribution agreement to provide indemnification and contribution to the agents and the forward purchasers against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

Our common shares are an "actively-traded security" excepted from the requirements of Rule 101 of Regulation M under the Exchange Act by Rule 101(c)(1) under the Exchange Act. If the sales agents, the forward sellers, the forward purchasers or we have reason to believe the common stock is no longer an

"actively-traded security" as defined under Rule 101(c)(1) of Regulation M under the Exchange Act, that party will promptly so notify the other parties, and sales of shares of our common stock under the equity distribution agreement will be suspended until that or other exemptive provisions have been satisfied in the judgment of us and the agents.

The offering of common stock pursuant to the equity distribution agreement will terminate upon the earlier of (1) the sale of shares of our common stock subject to the equity distribution agreement having an aggregate gross sales price of \$300.0 million and (2) the termination of the equity distribution agreement, pursuant to its terms, by us, the agents or the forward purchasers.

Commissions and Discounts

Each agent will receive from us a commission that will not exceed, but may be lower than, 2% of the gross sales price of shares of our common stock sold through it as our sales agent under the equity distribution agreement.

Under the terms of the equity distribution agreement, we may also sell shares of our common stock to any of the agents, as principal, at a price per share to be agreed upon at the time of sale. If we sell shares to an agent as principal, we will enter into a separate terms agreement with that agent and we will describe the terms of the offering of those shares in a separate prospectus supplement or pricing supplement.

In connection with each forward sale agreement, the applicable agent, acting as forward seller, will receive a commission, in the form of a reduction to the initial forward price under the related forward sale agreement, at a mutually agreed rate that will not (except as provided below) exceed, but may be lower than, 2% of the gross sales price per share of the borrowed shares of our common stock sold through such agent, as forward seller, during the applicable forward selling period for such shares (subject to certain possible adjustments to such gross sales price for daily accruals and any expected quarterly dividends having an "ex-dividend" date during such forward selling period).

We estimate that the total expenses payable by us in connection with the offering and sale of shares of our common stock pursuant to the equity distribution agreement, excluding commissions and discounts payable to the agents but including expenses paid prior to the date of this prospectus supplement and any transaction fees, transfer taxes or similar charges imposed by any governmental or self-regulatory organization in connection with the sales, will be approximately \$400,000.

Settlement Procedures

Each agent will provide written confirmation to us following the close of trading on the NYSE on each day during which shares of our common stock was sold by it under the equity distribution agreement. Each confirmation will include the number of shares sold on that day, the aggregate gross sales proceeds from the shares, the aggregate net proceeds to us and the aggregate compensation payable by us to the agent.

Settlement for sales of shares of our common stock (other than those to be sold in connection with a forward sale agreement) will occur, unless the parties agree otherwise, on the second business day following the date on which such sales were made in return for payment of the proceeds to us, net of compensation paid by us to the applicable agent. There is no arrangement for funds to be received in an escrow, trust or similar arrangement.

Sales Through Forward Sellers

If we enter into a forward sale agreement with any forward purchaser, we expect that such forward purchaser (or its affiliate) will attempt to borrow from third parties and sell, through the relevant agent, acting as sales agent for such forward purchaser, shares of our common stock to hedge such forward purchaser's exposure under such forward sale agreement.

In connection with any forward sale agreement, we will deliver instructions to the relevant agent directing such agent, as forward seller, to sell the applicable borrowed shares of our common stock on behalf of the relevant forward purchaser. Upon its acceptance of such instructions, such agent has agreed to use its commercially reasonable efforts consistent with its normal trading and sales practices to sell such shares of common stock, as forward seller on behalf of such forward purchaser, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the equity distribution agreement. We may instruct such agent as to the amount of common stock to be sold by it as forward seller and may also instruct such agent not to sell such common stock if the sales cannot

be effected at or above a price designated by us. We or the applicable agent may at any time immediately suspend the offering of shares of our common stock through such agent, as forward seller, upon notice to the other parties.

Pursuant to each forward sale agreement, if any, we will have the right to issue and deliver to the forward purchaser party thereto a specified number of shares of our common stock on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein, or, alternatively, to elect cash settlement or net share settlement, as described below, for all or any portion of such shares. The initial forward price per share under each forward sale agreement will equal the product of (1) an amount equal to one minus the applicable forward selling commission and (2) the volume weighted average price per share at which the borrowed shares of our common stock were sold pursuant to the equity distribution agreement by the relevant agent, acting as forward seller, during the applicable forward selling period for such shares to hedge the relevant forward purchaser's exposure under such forward sale agreement (subject to certain possible adjustments to such gross sales price for daily accruals and any expected quarterly dividends having an "ex-dividend" date during such forward selling period). Thereafter, the forward price will be subject to the price adjustment provisions of the applicable forward sale agreement. We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of borrowed shares of our common stock through an agent, acting as forward seller, and all of such net proceeds will be paid to the relevant forward purchaser (or one or more of its affiliates).

We currently expect to fully physically settle each forward sale agreement, if any, with the relevant forward purchaser on one or more dates specified by us on or prior to the maturity date of such forward sale agreement, although we will generally have the right, subject to certain exceptions, to elect cash settlement or net share settlement instead of physical settlement for any of the shares we have agreed to sell under such forward sale agreement. If we elect or are deemed to have elected to physically settle any forward sale agreement by delivering shares of our common stock, we will receive an amount of cash from the relevant forward purchaser equal to the product of (1) the forward price per share under such forward sale agreement and (2) the number of shares of our common stock as to which we have elected or are deemed to have elected physical settlement, subject to the price adjustment and other provisions of such forward sale agreement. Each forward sale agreement will provide that the forward price will be subject to adjustment on a daily basis based on a floating interest rate factor equal to a specified daily rate less a spread. In addition, the forward price will be subject to decrease on certain dates specified in the relevant forward sale agreement by the amount per share of quarterly dividends we expect to declare on our common stock during the term of such forward sale agreement. If the specified daily rate is less than the applicable spread on any day, the interest rate factor will result in a daily reduction of the forward price.

We expect that, before any issuance of shares of our common stock upon physical settlement or net share settlement of any forward sale agreement, the shares issuable upon settlement of such forward sale agreement will be reflected in our diluted earnings per share calculations using the treasury stock method. Under this method, the number of shares of our common stock used in calculating diluted earnings per share and funds from operations per share will be deemed to be increased by the excess, if any, of the number of shares that would be issued upon physical settlement of such forward sale agreement over the number of shares that could be purchased by us in the market (based on the average market price during the relevant forward selling period specified in such forward sale agreement) using the proceeds receivable upon settlement (based on the adjusted forward price at the end of the relevant reporting period). Consequently, prior to physical or net share settlement of the forward sale agreement and subject to the occurrence of certain events, we anticipate there will be no dilutive effect on our earnings per share or funds from operations per share as a result of such forward sale agreement except during periods when the average market price of our common stock is above the per share adjusted forward price of such forward sale agreement, subject to increase or decrease based on a specified daily rate less a spread, and subject to decrease by amounts related to expected dividends on our common stock during the term of that particular forward sale agreement. However, if we decide to physically or net share settle any forward sale agreement, delivery of shares of our common stock by us will result in dilution to our earnings per share and funds from operations per share.

Except under certain circumstances, we will generally have the right, in lieu of physical settlement of any forward sale agreement, to elect cash or net share settlement in respect of any or all of the shares of common stock subject to such forward sale agreement. If we elect to cash or net share settle all or any part of any forward sale agreement, we would expect the relevant forward purchaser or one of its affiliates to purchase shares of our common stock in secondary market transactions over an unwind period to:

- return shares of our common stock to securities lenders in order to unwind such forward purchaser's hedge
 (after taking into consideration any shares of our common stock to be delivered by us to such forward
 purchaser, in the case of net share settlement); and
- if applicable, in the case of net share settlement, deliver shares of our common stock to us to the extent required upon settlement of such forward sale agreement.

If the Rule 10b-18 volume weighted average price over the relevant unwind period (in the case of cash settlement) or the price paid by the applicable forward purchasers or their respective affiliates to so purchase our common stock (in the case of net share settlement), in each case, is below the relevant forward price, such forward purchaser will pay us such difference in cash (if we elect to cash settle) or deliver to us a number of shares of our common stock having a market value equal to such difference (if we elect to net share settle). If the Rule 10b-18 volume weighted average price over the relevant unwind period (in the case of cash settlement) or the price paid by the applicable forward purchasers or their respective affiliates to so purchase our common stock (in the case of net share settlement), in each case, exceeds the applicable forward price, we will pay such forward purchaser an amount in cash equal to such difference (if we elect to cash settle) or we will deliver to such forward purchaser a number of shares of our common stock having a market value equal to such difference (if we elect to net share settle). Any such difference could be significant and could result in our receipt of a significant amount of cash or number of shares of our common stock from such forward purchaser or require us to pay a significant amount of cash or deliver a significant number of shares of our common stock to such forward purchaser.

In addition, the purchase of shares of our common stock by a forward purchaser or its affiliate to unwind the forward purchaser's hedge position could cause the price of our common stock to increase above the price that would have prevailed in the absence of those purchases (or prevent a decrease in such price), thereby increasing the amount of cash (in the case of cash settlement) or the number of shares (in the case of net share settlement) that we would owe such forward purchaser upon settlement of the applicable forward sale agreement or decrease the amount of cash (in the case of cash settlement) or the number of shares (in the case of net share settlement) that such forward purchaser would owe us upon settlement of the applicable forward sale agreement.

Each forward purchaser will have the right to accelerate its forward sale agreement (with respect to all or any portion of the transaction under such forward sale agreement (except with respect to events specified in (1) and (3) below, where accelerated settlement is limited to the portion of shares whose settlement would address the relevant event or that is affected by the relevant event) that it enters into with us and require us to physically settle such shares on a date specified by such forward purchaser if: (1) in such forward purchaser's commercially reasonable judgment, it or its affiliate is unable to hedge (or maintain a hedge of) its exposure in a commercially reasonable manner under such forward sale agreement because (a) insufficient shares of our common stock have been made available for borrowing by securities lenders or (b) such forward purchaser or any of its affiliates would incur a stock borrow cost in excess of a specified threshold; (2) we declare any dividend, issue or distribution on shares of our common stock (other than a dividend that constitutes an extraordinary dividend under the forward sale agreement) that is payable in (a) cash in excess of specified amounts, (b) securities of another company that we acquire or own (directly or indirectly) as a result of a spin-off or similar transaction, or (c) any other type of securities (other than our common stock), rights, warrants or other assets for payment at less than the prevailing market price; (3) certain ownership thresholds applicable to such forward purchaser and its affiliates are or would be exceeded; (4) an event (a) is announced that if consummated would result in a specified extraordinary event (including certain mergers or tender offers, as well as certain events involving our nationalization, our insolvency or a delisting of our common stock) or (b) occurs that would constitute a hedging disruption or change in law; or (5) certain other events of default or termination events occur, including, among others, any material misrepresentation made by us in connection with such forward sale agreement or our insolvency (each as more fully described in the relevant forward sale agreement).

A forward purchaser's decision to exercise its right to accelerate all or a portion of the settlement of any forward sale agreement and to require us to physically settle the relevant shares will be made irrespective of our interests, including our need for capital. In such cases, we could be required to issue and deliver shares of our common stock under the terms of the physical settlement provisions of the applicable forward sale agreement irrespective of our capital needs, which would result in dilution to our earnings per share and funds from operations per share.

In addition, upon certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency relating to us, the forward sale agreements will terminate without further liability of the parties thereto. Following any such termination, we would not issue any shares of our common stock pursuant to such forward sale agreement agreements, and we would not receive any proceeds pursuant to the forward sale agreements.

The descriptions of certain provisions of the forward sale agreements appearing above and elsewhere in this prospectus supplement are not complete and are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the terms and provisions of such forward sale agreements. A form of the forward sale agreement is included as an exhibit to the sales agreement, and the sales agreement has been or will be filed as an exhibit to a document incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus and may be obtained as described under "Where You Can Find More Information" in the accompanying prospectus.

Other Relationships

The agents, the forward purchasers and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the agents, the forward purchasers and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and investment banking services for us, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses. As of the date of this prospectus supplement, affiliates of certain of the agents are lenders and, in certain cases, agents under our revolving credit facility and term loan.

In addition, in the ordinary course of their various business activities, the agents, the forward purchasers and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investments and securities activities may involve our securities and instruments. The agents, the forward purchasers and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long or short positions in such securities and instruments.

Conflicts of Interest

The forward purchasers (or their respective affiliates) will receive the net proceeds of any sale of borrowed shares of our common stock sold pursuant to this prospectus supplement in connection with any forward sale agreement. In addition, affiliates of certain of the agents are lenders and, in certain cases agents under our revolving credit facility and term loan. To the extent that we use a portion of the net proceeds we receive from sales of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or from settlement of any forward sale agreement to repay borrowings outstanding under our revolving credit facility and term loan, such affiliates of the applicable agents will receive their proportionate share of any amount that is repaid with the net proceeds we receive from sales of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement or from settlement of any forward sale agreement. Because certain sales agents, forward sellers and forward purchasers or their respective affiliates are expected to receive part of the net proceeds from the sale of shares pursuant to this prospectus supplement, such sales agents, forward sellers and forward purchasers would be deemed to have a conflict of interest under FINRA Rule 5121 to the extent such sales agents, forward sellers and forward purchasers or their affiliates receive at least 5% of the net proceeds of the offering. Any sales agent, forward seller or forward purchaser deemed to have a conflict of interest would be required to conduct the distribution of our common stock in accordance with FINRA Rule 5121. If the offering is conducted in accordance with FINRA Rule 5121, such sales agent, forward seller or forward purchaser would not be permitted to confirm a sale to an account over which it exercises discretionary authority without first receiving specific written approval from the account holder. The appointment of a "qualified independent underwriter" (as defined in FINRA Rule 5121) is not necessary for this offering because the shares of common stock being offered have a "bona fide public market" (as defined in FINRA Rule 5121).

LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be passed upon for us by Latham & Watkins LLP and certain legal matters will be passed upon for us by Angelica Espinosa, our General Counsel. As of April 28, 2023, Ms. Espinosa owned 3,302 shares of our common stock. Pursuant to various stock and employee benefit plans, Ms. Espinosa is eligible to purchase and receive shares of our common stock and to receive options to purchase shares of common stock. Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP will act as counsel to the agents, the forward sellers and the forward purchasers.

EXPERTS

The financial statements of the Company incorporated by reference in this Prospectus, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports. Such financial statements are incorporated by reference in reliance upon the reports of such firm, given their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. The SEC also maintains a web site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC at www.sec.gov. You can inspect reports and other information we file at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005. In addition, we maintain a web site that contains information about us at www.portlandgeneral.com. The information found on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not incorporated into, and does not form a part of, this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or any other report or document we file with or furnish to the SEC.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-266454), of which this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are a part, including exhibits, schedules and amendments filed with, or incorporated by reference in, such registration statement, under the Securities Act. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus do not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement and exhibits and schedules to the registration statement. For further information with respect to our company, reference is made to the registration statement, including the exhibits to the registration statement. Statements contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other document referred to, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are not necessarily complete and, where that contract or document is an exhibit to the registration statement, each statement is qualified in all respects by the exhibit to which the reference relates. The registration statement is available to you on the SEC's web site, www.sec.gov.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with the SEC. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another filed document. Any information referred to in this way is considered part of this prospectus supplement from the date we file that document. Any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of this prospectus supplement and before the date that the offering of the securities by means of this prospectus supplement is terminated will automatically update and, where applicable, supersede any information contained in this prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement. Accordingly, we incorporate by reference the following documents or information filed with the SEC:

- Those portions of our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, which we filed with the SEC on <u>March 7, 2023</u> and <u>March 10, 2023</u> that are incorporated by reference into Part III of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022;
- Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, which we filed with the SEC on <u>February 16, 2023</u>;
- Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2023, which we filed with the SEC on April 28, 2023;
- Current Reports on Form 8-K, which we filed with the SEC on March 16, 2023, April 24, 2023 and April 28, 2023 (except for information furnished in Items 2.02 and 7.01 therein and all exhibits related thereto);
- The description of our common stock contained in Item 1 of our Form 8-A filed with the SEC on March 31, 2006 pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, including any amendment filed for the purpose of updating such description.

We also incorporate by reference all documents we may subsequently file pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the initial filing date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part and prior to the termination of the offering (other than documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules). The most recent information that we file with the SEC automatically updates and supersedes older information. The information contained in any such filing will be deemed to be a part of this prospectus, commencing on the date on which the document is filed.

We will provide to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom a copy of this prospectus has been delivered, without charge, upon the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, other than exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the information that this prospectus incorporates. You should direct requests for such copies to:

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121 SW Salmon Street
Portland, Oregon 97204
Attention: Jardon Jaramillo, Senior Director, Investor Relations & Risk Management
Telephone: (503) 464-7458



Portland General Electric Company

Common Stock
Debt Securities
Stock Purchase Contracts
Stock Purchase Units
and
First Mortgage Bonds

Portland General Electric Company may offer and sell from time to time, in one or more offerings, shares of our common stock, debt securities, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and first mortgage bonds.

This prospectus describes some of the general terms that may apply to these securities. The specific terms of any securities to be offered will be described in a supplement to this prospectus. A prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you make your investment decision.

We may offer and sell these securities through one or more underwriters, dealers and agents, underwriting syndicates managed or co-managed by one or more underwriters, or directly to purchasers, on a continuous or delayed basis. The prospectus supplement for each offering of securities will describe in detail the plan of distribution for that offering. For general information about the distribution of securities offered, please see "Plan of Distribution" on page 18 of this prospectus.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "POR." On August 1, 2022, the last reported sale price of our common stock on the New York Stock Exchange was \$52.15 per share. The prospectus supplement will indicate if the securities offered thereby will be listed on any securities exchange.

Investing in these securities involves certain risks. Please read carefully the information included and incorporated by reference in this prospectus for a discussion of the factors you should carefully consider before deciding to purchase these securities, including the discussion of risks incorporated as described under "Risk Factors" on page 5 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is August 2, 2022.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of an "automatic shelf" registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), as a "well-known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). Under this shelf registration process, we may, from time to time, sell an indeterminate amount of any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings.

This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the common stock, debt securities, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and first mortgage bonds that we may offer. Each time that securities are sold, a prospectus supplement containing specific information about the terms of that offering will be provided, including the specific amounts, prices and terms of the securities offered. The prospectus supplements may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement and any other offering material prepared by or on behalf of us for a specific offering of securities, together with the additional information described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference."

This prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement do not contain all of the information included in the registration statement as permitted by the rules and regulations of the SEC. For further information, we refer you to the registration statement on Form S-3, including its exhibits.

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and, therefore, file reports and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available free of charge to the public on the SEC's Internet site at www.sec.gov. Our file number with the SEC is 001-5532-99. Information about us, including our SEC filings, is also available through our website at www.portlandgeneral.com. However, information on our website is not incorporated into this prospectus supplement or our other SEC filings and is not a part of this prospectus supplement or those filings.

Statements contained in this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement or other offering material about the provisions or contents of any agreement or other document are only summaries. If SEC rules require that any agreement or document be filed as an exhibit to the registration statement, you should refer to that agreement or document for its complete contents.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

You should not assume that the information provided in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or any other offering material is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of those documents, as applicable. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, references in this prospectus to "PGE," "we," "our," "us" or the "Company" refer to Portland General Electric Company and its subsidiaries.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The information in this prospectus and the other public filings incorporated by reference herein include statements that are forward-looking within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements that relate to expectations, beliefs, plans, assumptions, and objectives concerning future results of operations, business prospects, loads, outcome of litigation and regulatory proceedings, capital expenditures, market conditions, future events or performance, and other matters. Words or phrases such as "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "plans," "predicts," "projects," "will likely result," "will continue," "should," or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties, including those risks discussed in this prospectus or otherwise incorporated by reference, that could cause actual results or outcomes to differ materially from those expressed. PGE's expectations, beliefs and projections are expressed in good faith and are believed by the Company to have a reasonable basis including, but not limited to, management's examination of historical operating trends and data contained either in internal records or available from third parties, but there can be no assurance that PGE's expectations, beliefs or projections will be achieved or accomplished.

In addition to any assumptions and other factors and matters discussed elsewhere in this prospectus or incorporated by reference herein, some important factors that could cause actual results or outcomes for PGE to differ materially from those discussed in such forward-looking statements include:

- governmental policies, legislative action, and regulatory audits, investigations and actions, including those
 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Public Utility Commission of Oregon with respect
 to allowed rates of return, financings, electricity pricing and price structures, acquisition and disposal of
 facilities and other assets, construction and operation of plant facilities, transmission of electricity,
 recovery of power costs, operating expenses, deferrals, timely recovery of costs, and capital investments,
 and current or prospective wholesale and retail competition;
- economic conditions that result in decreased demand for electricity, reduced revenue from sales of excess energy during periods of low wholesale market prices, impaired financial stability of vendors and service providers, and elevated levels of uncollectible customer accounts;
- inflation and interest rates;
- changing customer expectations and choices that may reduce customer demand for its services may impact
 PGE's ability to make and recover its investments through rates and earn its authorized return on equity,
 including the impact of growing distributed and renewable generation resources, changing customer
 demand for enhanced electric services, and an increasing risk that customers procure electricity from
 registered Electricity Service Suppliers (ESSs) or community choice aggregators;
- the outcome of legal and regulatory proceedings and issues;
- natural or human-caused disasters and other risks, including, but not limited to, earthquake, flood, ice, drought, extreme heat, lightning, wind, fire, accidents, equipment failure, acts of terrorism, computer system outages and other events that disrupt PGE operations, damage PGE facilities and systems, cause the release of harmful materials, cause fires, and subject the Company to liability;
- unseasonable or extreme weather and other natural phenomena, such as the greater size and prevalence of
 wildfires in Oregon in recent years, which could affect public safety, customers' demand for power and
 PGE's ability and cost to procure adequate power and fuel supplies to serve its customers, PGE's ability to
 access the wholesale energy market, PGE's ability to operate its generating facilities and transmission and
 distribution systems, the Company's costs to maintain, repair, and replace such facilities and systems, and
 recovery of costs;
- PGE's ability to effectively implement a public safety power shutoff (PSPS) and de-energize its system in the event of heightened wildfire risk, which could cause damage to the Company's own facilities or lead to potential liability if energized systems are involved in wildfires that cause harm;

- operational factors affecting PGE's power generating facilities and battery storage facilities, including forced outages, unscheduled delays, hydro and wind conditions, and disruption of fuel supply, any of which may cause the Company to incur repair costs or purchase replacement power at increased costs;
- default or nonperformance on the part of any parties from whom PGE purchases capacity or energy, which
 may cause the Company to incur costs to purchase replacement power and related renewable attributes at
 increased costs;
- complications arising from PGE's jointly-owned plant, including changes in ownership, adverse regulatory
 outcomes or legislative actions, or operational failures that result in legal or environmental liabilities or
 unanticipated costs related to replacement power or repair costs;
- delays in the supply chain and increased supply costs, failure to complete capital projects on schedule or within budget, failure of counterparties to perform under agreements, or the abandonment of capital projects, any of which could result in the Company's inability to recover project costs;
- volatility in wholesale power and natural gas prices that could require PGE to post additional collateral or issue additional letters of credit pursuant to power and natural gas purchase agreements;
- changes in the availability and price of wholesale power and fuels, including natural gas and coal, and the impact of such changes on the Company's power costs;
- capital market conditions, including availability of capital, volatility of interest rates, reductions in demand
 for investment-grade commercial paper, as well as changes in PGE's credit ratings, any of which could
 have an impact on the Company's cost of capital and its ability to access the capital markets to support
 requirements for working capital, construction of capital projects, and the repayments of maturing debt;
- future laws, regulations, and proceedings that could increase the Company's costs of operating its thermal
 generating plants, or affect the operations of such plants by imposing requirements for additional
 emissions controls or significant emissions fees or taxes, particularly with respect to coal-fired generating
 facilities, in order to mitigate carbon dioxide, mercury, and other gas emissions;
- changes in, and compliance with, environmental laws and policies, including those related to threatened and endangered species, fish, and wildlife;
- the effects of climate change, whether global or local in nature, including unseasonable or extreme weather and other natural phenomena that may affect energy costs or consumption, increase the Company's costs, cause damage to PGE facilities and system, or adversely affect its operations;
- changes in residential, commercial, or industrial customer demand, or demographic patterns, in PGE's service territory;
- the effectiveness of PGE's risk management policies and procedures;
- cybersecurity attacks, data security breaches, physical security breaches, or other malicious acts that cause
 damage to the Company's generation, transmission, or distribution facilities, information technology
 systems, inhibit the capability of equipment or systems to function as designed or expected, or result in the
 release of confidential customer, employee, or Company information;
- employee workforce factors, including potential strikes, work stoppages, transitions in senior
 management, the ability to recruit and retain key employees and other talent, and turnover due to
 macroeconomic trends such as voluntary resignation of large numbers of employees similar to that
 experienced by other employers and industries since the beginning of the coronavirus (COVID-19)
 pandemic;
- new federal, state, and local laws that could have adverse effects on operating results;
- failure to achieve the Company's greenhouse gas emission goals or being perceived to have either failed to
 act responsibly with respect to the environment or effectively responded to legislative requirements
 concerning greenhouse gas emission reductions, any of which can lead to adverse publicity and have
 adverse effects on the Company's operations and/or damage the Company's reputation;

- political and economic conditions;
- the impact of widespread health developments, including the global COVID-19 pandemic, and responses
 to such developments (such as voluntary and mandatory quarantines, including government stay at home
 orders, as well as shut downs and other restrictions on travel, commercial, social and other activities),
 which could materially and adversely affect, among other things, demand for electric services, customers'
 ability to pay, supply chains, personnel, contract counterparties, liquidity and financial markets;
- changes in financial or regulatory accounting principles or policies imposed by governing bodies;
- · acts of war or terrorism; and
- risks and uncertainties related to RFP final shortlist projects, including, but not limited to regulatory
 processes, inflationary impacts, supply chain constraints, supply cost increases (including application
 tariffs impacting solar module imports), and legislative uncertainty.

While we believe that the assumptions underlying such forward–looking statements are reasonable, there can be no assurance that future events or developments will not cause such statements to be inaccurate. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which such statement is made and, except as required by law, PGE undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which such statement is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. New factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for management to predict all such factors or assess the impact of any such factor on the business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. All forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus and the documents we incorporate by reference in this prospectus are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. We expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect any changes in events or circumstances or in our expectations or results.

PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

Portland General Electric Company (PGE or the Company), a vertically integrated electric utility with corporate headquarters located in Portland, Oregon, is engaged in the generation, purchase, transmission, distribution, and retail sale of electricity.

The Company operates as a cost-based, regulated electric utility with revenue requirements and customer prices determined based upon the forecasted cost to serve retail customers, and a reasonable rate of return as determined by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon. PGE meets its retail load requirement with both Company-owned generation and power purchased in the wholesale market. The Company participates in the wholesale market through the purchase and sale of electricity and natural gas, as well as buying and selling transmission products and services, in an effort to obtain reasonably-priced power to serve its retail customers. In addition, PGE offers wholesale electricity transmission service pursuant to its Open Access Transmission Tariff, which contains rates, terms, and conditions of service, as filed with, and approved by, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. PGE, incorporated in 1930, is publicly-owned, with its common stock listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "POR." The Company operates as a single business segment, with revenues and costs related to its business activities maintained and analyzed on a total electric operations basis.

PGE's state-approved service area allocation of approximately 4,000 square miles is located entirely within Oregon and includes 51 incorporated cities, of which Portland and Salem are the largest. The Company estimates that at the end of 2021 its service area population was 1.9 million.

Our principal executive offices are located at 121 SW Salmon Street, Portland, Oregon 97204. Our telephone number is (503) 464-8000. Our website is *www.portlandgeneral.com*. Information contained on our website does not constitute a part of this prospectus.

The foregoing information about us is only a general summary and is not intended to be comprehensive. For additional information about PGE, you should refer to the information described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information."

RISK FACTORS

You should consider the specific risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021, (together with any material changes thereto contained in subsequently filed Quarterly reports on Form 10-Q), the risk factors described under the caption "Risk Factors" in any applicable prospectus supplement and any risk factors set forth in our other filings with the SEC, pursuant to Sections 13(a), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, before making an investment decision. Each of the risks described in these documents could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects, and could result in a partial or complete loss of your investment. See "Where You Can Find More Information" in this prospectus. You should also carefully review the cautionary statement in this prospectus referred to above under "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement with respect to the proceeds from the sale of the particular securities to which such prospectus supplement relates, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of the offered securities for general corporate purposes, including financing capital projects and refinancing existing indebtedness.

DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

This prospectus contains a summary of our common stock, debt securities, stock purchase contracts, stock purchase units and first mortgage bonds. These summaries are not meant to be a complete description of each security. The particular terms of any security to be issued pursuant hereto will be set forth in a related prospectus supplement. This prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement will contain the material terms and conditions for each security.

DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

The following description of our common stock is a summary and is subject to our Third Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation ("Articles of Incorporation") and our Eleventh Amended and Restated Bylaws ("Bylaws") and to the applicable provisions of Oregon corporate law. You should refer to our Articles of Incorporation and our Bylaws and to Oregon corporate law for a complete understanding of the terms and rights of our common stock.

General

Our Articles of Incorporation provide that we have authority to issue up to 160,000,000 shares of common stock, no par value. Our common stock is listed and traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "POR." The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company.

Voting Rights

Except as otherwise provided by law or our Articles of Incorporation, and subject to the rights of holders of any outstanding shares of our preferred stock, all of the voting power of our shareholders is vested in the holders of our common stock, and each holder of common stock has one vote for each share on all matters voted upon by our shareholders. Our Articles of Incorporation do not provide for cumulative voting for the election of directors.

Dividend Rights

Except as otherwise provided by law, regulatory restriction or the Articles of Incorporation, and subject to the rights of holders of any outstanding shares of our preferred stock, holders of our common stock are entitled to receive dividends when and as declared by the Board of Directors out of any funds legally available for the payment of dividends.

Other Rights

Holders of our common stock do not have any preemptive or other rights to subscribe for, purchase or receive any proportionate or other amount of our common stock or any securities of the Company convertible into our common stock upon the issuance of our common stock or any such convertible securities. There are also no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to our common stock.

Liquidation Rights

If we were voluntarily or involuntarily liquidated, dissolved or wound up, the holders of our outstanding shares of common stock would be entitled to share in the distribution of all assets remaining after payment of all of our liabilities and after satisfaction of prior distribution rights and payment of any distributions owing to holders of any outstanding shares of our preferred stock.

Liability for Calls and Assessments

The outstanding shares of our common stock are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

Shareholder Action

Except as otherwise required by law, a majority of the shares of our common stock entitled to be voted at a meeting constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting. Except as otherwise required by law, each matter, other than the election of directors, is decided by a majority of votes cast. Directors are elected annually by a majority of votes cast by the shares entitled to vote in an election at a meeting at which a quorum

is present, except in the case of a contested election. In the case of a contested election, directors are elected by a plurality of votes cast by the shares entitled to vote in an election at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Special meetings of our shareholders may be called by our Chairman of the Board, our Chief Executive Officer, our President or by our Board of Directors.

Except as otherwise provided by law or in our Articles of Incorporation, and subject to restrictions on the taking of shareholder action without a meeting under applicable law or the rules of a national securities association or exchange, action required or permitted by law to be taken at a shareholders' meeting may be taken without a meeting if the action is taken by shareholders having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be required to take such action at a meeting at which all shareholders entitled to vote on the action were present and voted.

Vacancies and Removal of Directors

Any vacancy, including a vacancy resulting from an increase in the number of directors, occurring on our Board of Directors may be filled by our shareholders, the Board of Directors or the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors if less than a quorum of the Board of Directors or by a sole remaining director. A vacancy that will occur at a specific later date, by reason of a resignation or otherwise, may be filled before the vacancy occurs, and the new director shall take office when the vacancy occurs.

Shareholders may remove one or more directors with or without cause at a meeting called expressly for that purpose. A director may be removed only if the number of votes cast to remove a director exceeds the number cast not to remove the director. If a director is elected by a voting group of shareholders, only those shareholders may participate in the vote to remove the director.

Provisions with Possible Anti-Takeover Effects

An Oregon company may provide in its articles of incorporation or bylaws that certain control share and business combination provisions in the Oregon Business Corporation Act do not apply to its shares. We have not opted out of these provisions.

Oregon Control Share Act. We are subject to Sections 60.801 through 60.816 of the Oregon Business Corporation Act, known as the "Oregon Control Share Act." The Oregon Control Share Act generally provides that a person who acquires voting stock of an Oregon corporation, in a transaction that results in the acquiror holding more than 20%, 33 1/3% or 50% of the total voting power of the corporation, cannot vote the shares it acquires in the acquisition. An acquiror is broadly defined to include companies or persons acting as a group to acquire the shares of the Oregon corporation. This restriction does not apply if voting rights are given to the control shares by:

- a majority of the outstanding voting shares, including shares held by the company's officers and employee directors; and
- a majority of the outstanding voting shares, excluding the control shares held by the acquiror and shares held by the company's officers and employee directors.

In order to retain the voting rights attached to acquired shares, this vote would be required when an acquirer's holdings exceed 20% of the total voting power, and again at the time the acquiror's holdings exceed 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % and 50%, respectively.

The acquiror may, but is not required to, submit to the target company an "acquiring person statement" that includes specific information about the acquiror and its plans for the company. The acquiring person statement may also request that the company call a special meeting of shareholders to determine whether the control shares will be allowed to have voting rights. If the acquiror requests a special meeting and undertakes to pay the target company's expenses of the meeting, the directors of the target company must, within 10 days after receiving the acquiring person statement, call a special meeting for the purpose of considering the voting rights of the control shares. If the acquiror does not request a special meeting of shareholders, the issue of voting rights of control shares will be considered at the next annual or special meeting of shareholders that is held more than 60 days after the date of the acquisition of control shares. If the acquiror's control shares are allowed to have voting rights and represent a majority or more of all voting power, shareholders who do not vote in favor of voting rights for the control shares will have the right to receive the appraised fair value of their shares, which may not be less than the highest price paid per share by the acquiror for the control shares.

Shares are not deemed to be acquired in a control share acquisition if, among other things, they are acquired from the issuing corporation, or are issued pursuant to a plan of merger or exchange effected in compliance with the Oregon Business Corporation Act and the issuing corporation is a party to the merger or exchange agreement.

Oregon Business Combination Act. We are also subject to Sections 60.825 through 60.845 of the Oregon Business Corporation Act, known as the "Oregon Business Combination Act." The Oregon Business Combination Act governs business combinations between Oregon corporations and a person or entity that acquires 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation, thereby becoming an "interested shareholder." The Oregon Business Combination Act generally provides that the corporation and the interested shareholder, or any affiliated entity of the interested shareholder, may not engage in business combination transactions for three years following the date the person acquired the shares. Business combination transactions for this purpose include:

- a merger or plan of exchange;
- any sale, lease, mortgage or other disposition of the assets of the corporation where the assets have an
 aggregate market value equal to 10% or more of the aggregate market value of the corporation's assets or
 outstanding capital stock; and
- transactions that result in the issuance or transfer of capital stock of the corporation to the interested shareholder.

These business combination restrictions do not apply if:

- the board of directors approves the business combination or the transaction that resulted in the shareholder acquiring the shares before the acquiring shareholder acquires 15% or more of the corporation's voting stock;
- as a result of the transaction in which the person acquired the shares, the acquiring shareholder became an interested shareholder and owner of at least 85% of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation, disregarding shares owned by employee directors and shares owned by certain employee benefits plans; or
- the board of directors and the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock of the corporation at an annual or special meeting of shareholders, disregarding shares owned by the interested shareholder, approve the business combination after the acquiring shareholder acquires 15% or more of the corporation's voting stock.

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

We may offer debt securities in one or more series, which may be senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities and which may be convertible into another security.

The following description briefly sets forth certain general terms and provisions of the debt securities other than the first mortgage bonds that we may offer by this prospectus in one or more distinct offerings. The particular terms of the debt securities offered by any prospectus supplement and the extent, if any, to which the following general terms and provisions may apply to the debt securities, will be described in an accompanying prospectus supplement. Unless otherwise specified in an accompanying prospectus supplement, our debt securities will be issued in one or more series under an indenture to be entered into between us and trustee named therein. A form of the indenture is attached as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. The terms of the debt securities will include those set forth in the indenture and those made a part of the indenture by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 ("TIA"). You should read the summary below, any accompanying prospectus supplement and the provisions of the indenture in their entirety before investing in our debt securities.

The aggregate principal amount of debt securities that may be issued under the indenture is unlimited. The prospectus supplement relating to any series of debt securities that we may offer will contain the specific terms of the debt securities. These terms may include, among others, the following:

- the title and aggregate principal amount of the debt securities and any limit on the aggregate principal amount of such series;
- any applicable subordination provisions for any subordinated debt securities;

- the maturity date(s) or method for determining same;
- the interest rate(s) or the method for determining same;
- the dates on which interest will accrue or the method for determining dates on which interest will accrue
 and dates on which interest will be payable and whether interest will be payable in cash, additional
 securities or some combination thereof;
- whether the debt securities are convertible or exchangeable into other securities and any related terms and conditions;
- · redemption or early repayment provisions;
- · authorized denominations;
- if other than the principal amount, the principal amount of debt securities payable upon acceleration;
- place(s) where payment of principal and interest may be made, where debt securities may be presented and where notices or demands upon the Company may be made;
- the form or forms of the debt securities of the series including such legends as may be required by applicable law;
- whether the debt securities will be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities and the date as of which the securities are dated if other than the date of original issuance;
- whether the debt securities are secured and the terms of such security;
- the amount of discount or premium, if any, with which the debt securities will be issued;
- any covenants applicable to the particular debt securities being issued;
- any additions or changes in the defaults and events of default applicable to the particular debt securities being issued;
- the guarantors of each series, if any, and the extent of the guarantees (including provisions relating to seniority, subordination and release of the guarantees), if any;
- the currency, currencies or currency units in which the purchase price for, the principal of and any premium and any interest on, the debt securities will be payable;
- the time period within which, the manner in which and the terms and conditions upon which we or the holders of the debt securities can select the payment currency;
- our obligation or right to redeem, purchase or repay debt securities under a sinking fund, amortization or analogous provision;
- any restriction or conditions on the transferability of the debt securities;
- provisions granting special rights to holders of the debt securities upon occurrence of specified events;
- additions or changes relating to compensation or reimbursement of the trustee of the series of debt securities:
- provisions relating to the modification of the indenture both with and without the consent of holders of
 debt securities issued under the indenture and the execution of supplemental indentures for such series;
 and
- any other terms of the debt securities (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the TIA, but may modify, amend, supplement or delete any of the terms of the indenture with respect to such series of debt securities).

General

We may sell the debt securities, including original issue discount securities, at par or at a substantial discount below their stated principal amount. Unless we inform you otherwise in a prospectus supplement, we may issue additional debt securities of a particular series without the consent of the holders of the debt securities of such

series or any other series outstanding at the time of issuance. Any such additional debt securities, together with all other outstanding debt securities of that series, will constitute a single series of securities under the indenture.

We will describe in an accompanying prospectus supplement any other special considerations for any debt securities we sell that are denominated in a currency or currency unit other than U.S. dollars. In addition, debt securities may be issued where the amount of principal and/or interest payable is determined by reference to one or more currency exchange rates, commodity prices, equity indices or other factors. Holders of such securities may receive a principal amount or a payment of interest that is greater than or less than the amount of principal or interest otherwise payable on such dates, depending upon the value of the applicable currencies, commodities, equity indices or other factors. Information as to the methods for determining the amount of principal or interest, if any, payable on any date, and the currencies, commodities, equity indices or other factors to which the amount payable on such date is linked will be described in an accompanying prospectus supplement.

United States federal income tax consequences and special considerations, if any, applicable to any such series will be described in an accompanying prospectus supplement.

We expect most debt securities to be issued in fully registered form in denominations of \$2,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Subject to the limitations provided in the indenture and in an accompanying prospectus supplement, debt securities that are issued in registered form may be transferred or exchanged at the designated corporate trust office of the trustee, without the payment of any service charge, other than any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Global Securities

Unless we inform you otherwise in an accompanying prospectus supplement, the debt securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, a depositary identified in an accompanying prospectus supplement. Unless and until a global security is exchanged in whole or in part for the individual debt securities, a global security may not be transferred except as a whole by the depositary for such global security to a nominee of such depositary or by a nominee of such depositary to such depositary or another nominee of such depositary or by such depositary or any such nominee to a successor of such depositary or a nominee of such successor.

Governing Law

The indenture and the debt securities shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of New York, except to the extent the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 otherwise applies.

DESCRIPTION OF STOCK PURCHASE CONTRACTS AND STOCK PURCHASE UNITS

We may issue stock purchase contracts, including contracts obligating holders to purchase from us, and obligating us to sell to the holders, a specified number of shares of our common stock or our debt securities at a future date or dates, which we refer to in this prospectus as stock purchase contracts. The price of the securities and the number of securities may be fixed at the time the stock purchase contracts are issued or may be determined by reference to a specific formula set forth in the stock purchase contracts, and may be subject to adjustment under anti-dilution formulas. The stock purchase contracts may be issued separately or as part of units consisting of a stock purchase contract and our debt securities or preferred securities or debt obligations of third parties, including U.S. treasury securities, or any combination of the foregoing, securing the holders' obligations to purchase the securities under the stock purchase contracts, which we refer to herein as stock purchase units. The stock purchase contracts may require holders to secure their obligations under the stock purchase contracts in a specified manner. The stock purchase contracts also may require us to make periodic payments to the holders of the stock purchase contracts or the stock purchase units, as the case may be, or vice versa, and those payments may be unsecured or pre-funded in whole or in part.

The description in an accompanying prospectus supplement of any stock purchase contract or stock purchase unit we offer will not necessarily be complete and will be qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable stock purchase contract or stock purchase unit, which will be filed with the SEC if we offer stock purchase contracts or stock purchase units. For more information on how you can obtain copies of any purchase contract or purchase unit we may offer, see "Where You Can Find More Information." We urge you to read the applicable purchase contract or applicable purchase unit and any accompanying prospectus supplement in their entirety.

DESCRIPTION OF FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

We may issue the first mortgage bonds under our Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust dated July 1, 1945, between us and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented and amended. The original mortgage, as so supplemented and amended, is referred to as the "Mortgage." The first mortgage bonds that we may issue under the Mortgage are referred to as the "bonds."

The following summary of material provisions of the Mortgage is not complete and may not contain all of the information that is important to you. This summary is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, all of the provisions of the Mortgage, including the defined terms contained therein. We have filed the original mortgage and certain of the supplemental indentures amending the mortgage as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. In addition, prior to issuing bonds, we will file a form of supplemental indenture describing the terms of the new bonds in a post-effective amendment to the registration statement. You should read the Mortgage and any applicable form of new supplemental indenture because those documents, and not this description, will define your rights as a holder of the bonds. The Mortgage has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, and you should also refer to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 for provisions that apply to the bonds

Secured Obligations

The bonds, when issued, will be our senior secured obligations and will be secured equally and ratably with all of our other first mortgage bonds now outstanding or hereafter issued under the Mortgage, by a first lien on substantially all of our now owned or hereafter acquired tangible utility property (except cash, securities, accounts receivable, motor vehicles, materials and supplies, fuel, certain minerals and mineral rights, property located outside of the states of Oregon, Washington, California, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and Alaska, and certain other property specified in the Mortgage), subject, however, to certain permitted encumbrances and various exceptions, reservations, limitations, and minor irregularities and deficiencies in title which will not interfere with the proper operation and development of the mortgaged property. We refer to this collateral security as "bondable public utility property."

The term "permitted encumbrances" means as of any particular time any of the following:

- liens for taxes, assessments, or governmental charges for the then current year and taxes, assessments, or
 governmental charges not then delinquent; and liens for taxes, assessments, or governmental charges
 already delinquent, but whose validity is being contested at the time by us in good faith by appropriate
 proceedings;
- liens and charges incidental to construction or current operation which have not at such time been filed or
 asserted or the payment of which has been adequately secured or which, in the opinion of counsel, are
 insignificant in amount;
- liens, securing obligations neither assumed by us nor on account of which we customarily pay interest directly or indirectly, existing, either at July 1, 1945, or as to property thereafter acquired, at the time of acquisition by us, upon real estate or rights in or relating to real estate acquired by us for substation, measuring station, regulating station, or transmission, distribution, or other right-of-way purposes;
- any right which any municipal or governmental body or agency may have by virtue of any franchise, license, contract, or statute to purchase, or designate a purchaser of, or order the sale of, any of our property upon payment of reasonable compensation therefor or to terminate any franchise, license, or other rights or to regulate our property and business;
- the lien of judgments covered by insurance or if not so covered, not exceeding at any one time \$100,000 in aggregate amount;
- easements or reservations in respect of any of our property for the purpose of rights-of-way and similar
 purposes, reservations, restrictions, covenants, party wall agreements, conditions of record, and other
 encumbrances (other than to secure the payment of money) and minor irregularities or deficiencies in the
 record evidence of title, which in the opinion of counsel (at the time of the acquisition of the property
 affected or subsequently) will not interfere with the proper operation and development of the property
 affected thereby;

- any lien or encumbrance, moneys sufficient for the discharge of which have been deposited in trust with
 the Trustee or with the trustee or mortgagee under the instrument evidencing such lien or encumbrance,
 with irrevocable authority to the Trustee or to such other trustee or mortgagee to apply such moneys to the
 discharge of such lien or encumbrance to the extent required for such purposes; and
- the lien reserved for rent and for compliance with the terms of the lease in the case of leasehold estates.

The Mortgage permits the acquisition of property subject to prior liens. However, no property subject to prior liens (other than purchase money liens) may be acquired (i) if at the date the property is acquired, the principal amount of indebtedness secured by prior liens, together with all of our other prior lien indebtedness, is greater than 10% of the aggregate principal amount of debt securities outstanding under the Mortgage, (ii) if at the date the property is acquired, the principal amount of indebtedness secured by prior liens is greater than 60% of the cost of such property to us, or (iii) in certain cases if the property had been used by another entity in a business similar to ours, unless the net earnings of such property meet certain tests.

We have covenanted, among other things,

- to not issue debt securities under the Mortgage in any manner other than in accordance with the Mortgage;
- except as permitted by the Mortgage, to keep the Mortgage a first priority lien on the property subject to it;
- except as permitted by the Mortgage, to not suffer any act or thing whereby all of the properties subject to it might or could be impaired; and
- in the event that we are no longer required to file reports with the SEC, and so long as the bonds are outstanding, to furnish to the Trustee the financial and other information that would be required to be contained in the reports filed with the SEC on Forms 10-Q, 10-K, and 8-K if we were required to file such reports.

Redemption and Purchase of Bonds

A prospectus supplement will disclose any provisions for the redemption or purchase of any particular series of bonds. Cash deposited under any provision of the Mortgage (with certain exceptions) may be applied to the purchase of the bonds.

Sinking Fund Provisions

We may establish a sinking fund for the benefit of a particular series of bonds. If a sinking fund is established, we will be required to deposit with the Trustee at certain specified times sufficient cash to redeem a percentage of the series or the whole series. The prospectus supplement with respect to that series will state the price or prices at which, and the terms and conditions upon which, the bonds will be redeemed. The prospectus supplement will also set forth the percentage of securities of the series to be redeemed.

Replacement Fund

If the amount of the minimum provision for depreciation upon bondable public utility property (as defined above) exceeds the balance of property additions credits available in any year, we will pay the excess to the Trustee on May 1 of the following year by either payments in cash or by delivery of first mortgage bonds. The balance of property additions available for credit is the net of the aggregate property additions acquired or constructed by us from March 31, 1945, to the end of the calendar year for which the payment is due, less property additions that (i) have been previously made the basis for action or credit under the Mortgage or (ii) have been used as a credit on all previous replacement fund certificates. We may, at our election, credit against any deficiency in the replacement fund amount (i) available retirements of first mortgage bonds, (ii) certain expenditures on bondable public utility property subject to prior lien, and (iii) certain retirements of prior lien indebtedness. If those credits at any time exceed the replacement fund requirement, we may withdraw cash or first mortgage bonds held by the Trustee in the replacement fund. We may also reinstate available retirements of first mortgage bonds that we previously took as credit against any replacement fund requirement. Cash deposited in the replacement fund may, at our option, be applied to the redemption or purchase of bonds or, in certain circumstances, to the redemption or purchase of other first mortgage bonds. The redemptions of the bonds would be at the then applicable regular redemption prices.

Minimum Provision for Depreciation

Under the Mortgage, there is a "minimum provision for depreciation" of bondable public utility property. The aggregate amount of the minimum provision for depreciation of bondable public utility property for any period after March 31, 1945, is \$35,023,487.50 plus an amount for each calendar year or fraction of a year after December 31, 1966, equal to the greater of (i) 2% of depreciable bondable public utility property, as shown by our books as of January 1 of that year, as to which we were required to make appropriations to a reserve for depreciation or obsolescence or (ii) the amount we actually appropriated in respect of the depreciable bondable public utility property to a reserve for depreciation or obsolescence, in either case less an amount equal to the aggregate of (a) the amount of any property additions which we made as the basis for a sinking fund credit during the calendar year, and (b) 166 2/3% of the principal amount of any first mortgage bonds of any series which we credited against any sinking fund payment or which we redeemed in anticipation of, or out of moneys paid to the Trustee on account of, any sinking fund payment due during the calendar year. The property additions and first mortgage bonds referred to in (a) and (b) above become disqualified from being made the basis of the authentication and delivery of first mortgage bonds or any other further action or credit under the Mortgage. In addition, the minimum provision for depreciation shall also include (1) the amount of any property additions referred to in (a) above which after December 31, 1966, were made the basis for a sinking fund credit pursuant to the provisions of a sinking fund for first mortgage bonds of any series, and thereafter became "available additions" as a result of the fact that all first mortgage bonds of such series ceased to be outstanding, and (2) 166 2/3% of the principal amount of first mortgage bonds referred to in (b) above, which after December 31, 1966, were credited against any sinking fund payment, or were redeemed in anticipation of, or out of moneys paid to the Trustee on account of, any sinking fund payment for first mortgage bonds of any series, and thereafter became available retirements of first mortgage bonds as a result of the fact that all first mortgage bonds of such series ceased to be outstanding.

Issuance of Additional Bonds

Subject to the issuance restrictions described below, we may issue an unlimited amount of first mortgage bonds under the Mortgage. First mortgage bonds may be issued from time to time on the basis of, and in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding, the following: (i) 60% of the amount of available additions; (ii) an amount of cash deposited with the Trustee; and/or (iii) the aggregate principal amount of available retirements of first mortgage bonds.

With certain exceptions in the case of (iii) above, the issuance of first mortgage bonds is subject to the amount of net earnings available for interest for 12 consecutive months within the preceding 15 months being at least twice the annual interest requirements on all first mortgage bonds to be outstanding and all prior lien indebtedness. Cash deposited with the Trustee pursuant to (ii) above may be (a) withdrawn in an amount equal to 60% of available additions, (b) withdrawn in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of available retirements of first mortgage bonds, or (c) applied to the purchase or redemption of first mortgage bonds.

Available additions are determined, at any time, by deducting from the aggregate amount of property additions since March 31, 1945, (i) the greater of the aggregate amount of retirements of bondable public utility property not subject to a prior lien, or the aggregate amount of the minimum provision for depreciation upon bondable public utility property not subject to a prior lien since March 31, 1945, and (ii) the aggregate amount of available additions theretofore made the basis for action or credit under the Mortgage. Property additions taken as a credit against the replacement fund requirement are not deemed to be "made the basis for action or credit."

Dividend Restrictions

So long as any of the bonds, or any of the first mortgage bonds authenticated under the Mortgage are outstanding, we will be subject to the following restrictions:

- we may not pay or declare dividends (other than stock dividends) or other distributions on our common stock, and
- we may not purchase any shares of our capital stock (other than in exchange for or from the proceeds of other shares of our capital stock),

in either case if the aggregate amount distributed or expended after December 31, 1944, would exceed the aggregate amount of our net income, as adjusted, available for dividends on our common stock accumulated after December 31, 1944.

Release and Substitution of Property

Property subject to the lien of the Mortgage may (subject to certain exceptions and limitations) be released only upon the substitution of cash, purchase money obligations, or certain other property or upon the basis of available additions or available retirements of bonds.

Subject to the terms and conditions contained in the Mortgage, we:

- may, at any time, without the consent of the Trustee, sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of, free from the lien of the Mortgage, any property subject to the lien of the Mortgage, which has become worn out, unserviceable, undesirable, or unnecessary for use in the conduct of our business; upon replacing or modifying such property, such replacement or modified property shall without further action become subject to the lien of the Mortgage;
- may, at any time, sell, exchange, or dispose of any property (except cash, securities, or other personal
 property pledged or deposited with or required to be pledged or deposited with the Trustee), and the
 Trustee shall release such property from the operation and lien of the Mortgage upon receipt by the Trustee
 of certain documents and, subject to certain exceptions, cash in an amount equal to the fair value of such
 property;
- shall, in the event any property is taken by the exercise of the power of eminent domain or otherwise
 purchased or ordered to be sold by any governmental body, deposit with the Trustee the award for or
 proceeds of any property so taken, purchased or sold, and such property shall be released from the lien of
 the Mortgage;
- may, at any time, without the consent of the Trustee, sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of any property
 (except cash, securities, or other personal property pledged or deposited with or required to be pledged or
 deposited with the Trustee) subject to the lien of the Mortgage which is no longer used or useful in the
 conduct of our business, provided the fair values of the property so sold, exchanged, or otherwise disposed
 of in any one calendar year shall not exceed \$50,000 and cash in an amount equal to the fair value of the
 property is deposited with the Trustee; and
- may, in lieu of depositing cash with the Trustee as required above, deliver to the Trustee purchase money
 obligations secured by a mortgage on the property to be released or disposed of, a certificate of the Trustee
 or other holder of a prior lien on any part of the property to be released stating that a specified amount of
 cash or purchase money obligations have been deposited with such Trustee or other holder, or certain other
 certificates from us.

Subject to certain conditions specified in the Mortgage, moneys deposited with the Trustee may be:

- withdrawn by us to the extent of available additions and available first mortgage bond retirements;
- withdrawn by us in amount equal to the lower of cost or fair value of property additions acquired or constructed by us; and
- used to purchase or redeem first mortgage bonds of any series.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, proceeds received by the Trustee from a sale or disposition of substantially all of our electric properties at Portland, Oregon, may be applied only to the retirement of first mortgage bonds outstanding under the Mortgage.

Modification of the Mortgage

Under the Mortgage, our rights and obligations and the rights of the holders of the bonds may be modified with the consent of the holders of 75% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding first mortgage bonds, including the consent of holders of 60% in aggregate principal amount of the first mortgage bonds of each series affected by the modification. No modification of the principal or interest payment terms, no modification permitting the creation of any lien not otherwise permitted under the Mortgage, and no modification reducing the percentage required for modifications, will be effective without the consent of the holders of all first mortgage bonds then outstanding. The Mortgage may also be modified in various other respects not inconsistent with the Mortgage and which do not adversely affect the interests of the holders of bonds.

Consolidation, Merger, and Conveyance of Assets

The terms of the Mortgage do not preclude us from merging or consolidating with, or from transferring all of the trust estate substantially as an entirety to, a corporation lawfully entitled to acquire and operate our utility assets (a "successor corporation"), provided that the lien and security of the Mortgage and the rights and powers of the Trustee and the holders of the bonds continue unimpaired. Any such merger, consolidation, or transfer, if it involves a successor corporation owning property subject to existing liens, must comply with the requirements of the Mortgage relating to the acquisition of property subject to a prior lien, which requirements are described in the third paragraph under "Secured Obligations" above. At or before the time of any such merger, consolidation, or transfer permitted by the Mortgage, the successor corporation must execute and record a supplemental indenture with the Trustee pursuant to which the successor corporation assumes all of our obligations under the Mortgage and agrees to pay the bonds in accordance with their terms. Thereafter, the successor corporation will have the right to issue additional first mortgage bonds under the Mortgage in accordance with its terms, and all such first mortgage bonds shall have the same legal rank and security as the bonds and the other first mortgage bonds issued under the Mortgage. Property acquired by the successor corporation after a merger, consolidation, or transfer described above shall not be subject to the lien of the Mortgage unless expressly made a part of the trust estate pursuant to a supplemental indenture.

The Mortgage does not contain any provisions that afford holders of bonds special protection in the event that we consummate a highly leveraged transaction; however, the bonds would continue to be entitled to the benefit of a first priority lien on the property subject to the Mortgage (other than property acquired by us subject to a prior lien) as described above.

Defaults and Notice

Each of the following will constitute a default:

- failure to pay the principal when due;
- failure to pay interest for 60 days after it is due;
- failure to deposit any sinking or replacement fund payment for 60 days after it is due;
- certain events in bankruptcy, insolvency, or reorganization of us; and
- failure to perform any other covenant in the Mortgage that continues for 60 days after being given written notice, including the failure to pay any of our other indebtedness.

The Trustee may withhold notice to the holders of first mortgage bonds of any default (except in payment of principal, interest, or any sinking or purchase fund installment) if it in good faith determines that withholding notice is in the interest of the holders of the first mortgage bonds issued under the Mortgage.

If an event of default occurs and continues, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the first mortgage bonds may declare the entire principal and accrued interest due and payable immediately. If this happens, subject to certain conditions, the holders of a majority of the aggregate principal amount of the first mortgage bonds can annul the declaration and its consequences.

No holder of first mortgage bonds may enforce the lien of the Mortgage, unless (i) it has given the Trustee written notice of default, (ii) the holders of 25% of the first mortgage bonds have requested the Trustee to act and have offered the Trustee reasonable indemnity, and (iii) the Trustee has failed to act within 60 days. The holders of a majority in principal amount of the first mortgage bonds may direct the time, method, and place of conducting any proceeding or any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any power conferred upon the Trustee.

Evidence to be Furnished to the Trustee

Compliance with Mortgage provisions is evidenced by the written statements of our officers or persons we selected and paid. In certain cases, opinions of counsel and certificates of an engineer, accountant, appraiser, or other expert (who in some instances must be independent) must be furnished. Various certificates and other papers are required to be filed annually and upon the occurrence of certain events, including an annual certificate with respect to compliance with the terms of the Mortgage and the absence of defaults.

Interest and Payment

The prospectus supplement will set forth:

- the interest rate or rates or the method of determination of the interest rate or rates of the bonds;
- the date or dates on which the interest is payable; and
- the office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York at which interest will be payable.

Concerning the Trustee

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association is the Trustee under the Mortgage. We maintain ordinary banking relationships and credit facilities with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association. The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding first mortgage bonds issued under the Mortgage may direct the time, method, and place of conducting any proceeding for exercising any remedy available to the Trustee, subject to certain exceptions. The Mortgage provides that if default occurs (and it is not cured), the Trustee will be required, in the exercise of its power, to use the degree of care of a prudent person in the conduct of such person's own affairs. Subject to these provisions, the Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the Mortgage at the request of any holder of securities issued under the Mortgage, unless that holder has offered to the Trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to it against any loss, liability, or expense, and then only to the extent required by the terms of the Mortgage. The Trustee may resign from its duties with respect to the Mortgage at any time or may be removed by us. If the Trustee resigns, is removed, or becomes incapable of acting as Trustee or a vacancy occurs in the office of the Trustee for any reason, a successor Trustee shall be appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Mortgage.

Governing Law

The Mortgage provides that it and any bonds issued thereunder are governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the state of New York, except to the extent the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 otherwise applies.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the offered securities from time to time:

- through underwriters or dealers;
- · through agents;
- directly to one or more purchasers; or
- through a combination of any of these methods of sale.

The Company may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable prospectus supplement indicates, in connection with those derivatives, the third parties may sell securities covered by this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use securities pledged by the Company or borrowed from the Company or others to settle those sales or to close out any related open borrowings of stock, and may use securities received from the Company in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of stock. The third party in such sale transactions will be an underwriter and, if not identified in this prospectus, will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplement (or a post-effective amendment).

We will identify the specific plan of distribution, including any underwriters, dealers, agents or direct purchasers and their compensation in the applicable prospectus supplement.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Our SEC filings are available to the public from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Information about us, including our SEC filings, is also available through our website at www.portlandgeneral.com. However, information on our website is not incorporated into this prospectus or our other SEC filings and is not a part of this prospectus or those filings.

This prospectus is part of a registration statement filed by us with the SEC. The exhibits to our registration statement contain the full text of certain contracts and other important documents we have summarized in this prospectus. Since these summaries may not contain all the information that you may find important in deciding whether to purchase the securities we may offer, you should review the full text of these documents. The registration statement and the exhibits can be obtained from the SEC as indicated above, or from us.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with the SEC. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another filed document. Any information referred to in this way is considered part of this prospectus, except for any information that is modified or superseded by information contained in this prospectus or any other subsequently filed document. Any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of this prospectus and before the date that the offering of the securities by means of this prospectus is terminated will automatically update and, where applicable, supersede any information contained in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Accordingly, we incorporate by reference the following documents or information filed with the SEC:

- Those portions of our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, which we filed with the SEC on <u>March 8, 2022</u> and <u>March 16, 2022</u> that are incorporated by reference into Part III of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021;
- Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, which we filed with the SEC on February 17, 2022;
- Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2022 and June 30, 2022, which we filed with the SEC on <u>April 28, 2022</u> and <u>July 28, 2022</u>, respectively;
- Current Reports on Form 8-K, which we filed with the SEC on <u>January 18, 2022</u> and <u>May 11, 2022</u>; and
- The description of our common stock contained in Item 1 of our Form 8-A filed with the SEC on <u>March 31, 2006</u> pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including any amendment filed for the purpose of updating such description.

We also incorporate by reference all documents we may subsequently file pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the initial filing date of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part and prior to the termination of the offering (other than documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules). The most recent information that we file with the SEC automatically updates and supersedes older information. The information contained in any such filing will be deemed to be a part of this prospectus, commencing on the date on which the document is filed.

We will provide to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom a copy of this prospectus has been delivered, without charge, upon the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, other than exhibits to such documents, unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference into the information that this prospectus incorporates. You should direct requests for such copies to:

Portland General Electric Company
121 SW Salmon Street
Portland, Oregon 97204
Attention: Jardon Jaramillo, Senior Director, Investor Relations & Risk Management
Telephone: (503) 464-7458

LEGAL MATTERS

Unless otherwise specified in a prospectus supplement accompanying this prospectus, Angelica Espinosa, our General Counsel, and Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, will pass upon certain legal matters for us in connection with the securities offered by this prospectus. As of August 1, 2022, Angelica Espinosa beneficially owned no shares of our common stock.

EXPERTS

The financial statements of the Company incorporated by reference in this Prospectus, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports. Such financial statements are incorporated by reference in reliance upon the reports of such firm, given their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

Calculation of Filing Fee Table

424(b)(5) (Form Type)

Portland General Electric Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Newly Registered and Carry Forward Securities

	Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation Rule	Amount Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee
					Newly Ro	egistered Securities		
Fees to be Paid	Equity	Common Stock, no par value	Rule 457(o)	_	_	\$300,000,000.00	0.00011020	\$33,060.00
Fees Previously Paid	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total Offering Amounts						\$300,000,000.00		\$33,060.00
Total Fees Previously Paid —								
,	Total Fee Offsets							_
	Net Fee Du	e						\$33,060.00

⁽¹⁾ The registration fee is calculated in accordance with Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), based on the proposed maximum aggregate offering price, and Rule 457(r) under the Securities Act. In accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r) under the Securities Act, the registrant initially deferred payment of all of the registration fee for Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 333-266454, except with respect to unsold securities that have been previously registered.