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**To:** [Hearings Office Clerks](#)  
**Cc:** [Monique Claiborne](#)  
**Subject:** RE: PGE's Harborton Reliability Project - GPI Letter of Support  
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**Attachments:** [Greater Portland Inc Letter of Support re PGE's Harborton Reliability Project.pdf](#)

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Hello,

Attached please see a letter of support for PGE's Harborton Reliability Project.

Kindly,

**Michael Ninen** (he/him/his)

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1/24/2025

To: Marisha Childs, City of Portland Land Use Hearing Officer

RE: Support for Portland General Electric's Harborton Reliability Project (LU 24-041109 CU EN GW)

Dear Marisha,

As President and CEO of Greater Portland Inc, the region's only public-private economic development partnership focused on driving job creation and long-term prosperity, I am writing to express our strong support for Portland General Electric's Harborton Reliability Project. The Harborton Reliability Project is critical to achieving our mission to attract, grow, and retain traded-sector businesses for all skill levels and market Greater Portland's competitiveness.

The Harborton Reliability Project is particularly crucial as our region continues to lead the clean technology revolution. With more than 14,000 professionals in cleantech and 843 establishments working towards improving the future of renewable energy, Greater Portland has established itself as a forerunner in sustainability and clean tech innovation. As we continue to expand our leadership in sustainable manufacturing, battery storage, and emerging technologies, reliable and resilient power infrastructure becomes increasingly essential to support this growing sector.

The Greater Portland region's ability to attract and retain businesses and talent depends significantly on our exceptional quality of life. Forest Park, as one of our region's crown jewels, plays a vital role in making our area as desirable place to live and work. While we believe any development affecting this treasured natural resource must meet the highest standards of environmental stewardship, we are confident that PGE's proposed project achieves this through its comprehensive environmental mitigation strategy and demonstrated commitment to preserving and enhancing Forest Park's long-term health.

We strongly encourage the approval and timely implementation of this important infrastructure project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Monique Claiborne".

Monique Claiborne

President & CEO

Greater Portland Inc.

CC: Mayor Keith Wilson and Portland City Council