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**PGE raising cash for wind farm/PGE will issue stock to expand wind farm**

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If you can avoid it, you don't go to the floundering equity markets right now to raise capital.

But Portland General Electric Co. needs the cash to fund the expansion of a wind farm. And after watching its share price dip to an all-time low on Wednesday, the state's largest electric utility announced plans to issue 10.85 million new shares of its common stock.

PGE also expects to grant its underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 1.6275 million shares to cover any over-allotments.

The company said the proceeds would be used to reduce short term debt and fund the ongoing expansion of its Biglow Canyon wind farm in Sherman County. It expects to price the transaction tomorrow.

Depending on the size of the overallotment, the offering will expand PGE's share base by between 17 and 20 percent, substantially diluting the company's current share owners at a time when they have already seen the value of the company's stock plummet by more than 40 percent since the beginning of September.

PGE's shares finished regular trading Wednesday at 15.21, up 21 cents. But the stock dropped 9 percent to \$13.79 in after-hours trading as investors discounted the dilution from the share offering.

At \$13.79, PGE's stock is trading at a 36 percent discount to its book value of \$21.64 per share, which is a measure of the company's net asset value. Many companies are in similar situations as investors batter their share prices, but it makes an inopportune time to raise money.

PGE chief executive Jim Piro said its impossible to time the market, and given that the company had just announced its fourth quarter earnings and telegraphed its intention to issue shares, the timing was as good as could be expected.

Given that economic times could get worse or better, we felt like this was the right time to go and pulled the trigger, Piro said.

PGE has a capital expenditure plan of some \$720 million this year, the largest in the company's history, Piro said. The Biglow Canyon wind farm expansion will cost \$750 million over the next two years, as PGE pushes to meet the state's new renewable energy mandates. [CORRECTION: PGE estimates total project costs of \$759 million, including allowance for funds used during construction, for Phase II and Phase III of its Biglow Canyon Wind Farm.]

PGE will fund a portion of those capital needs internally, but it also plans to issue additional debt this year. The company sold \$130 million in bonds earlier this year, and intend to issue another \$170 million in the second or third quarter depending on market conditions.

Piro said the company had adequate cash flow to continue paying its quarterly dividend of 24.5 cent per share.

PGE said the offering would be jointly managed by J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., Barclays Capital Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC.

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