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Attention: Filing Center
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Re: *In the Matter of Northwest Natural Petition to Commence Investigation*
PUC Docket No. UG 163
DOJ File No. 330-050-GN0191-05-05

Enclosed are an original of Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned matter for filing with the PUC today. Please also note that by this petition, the Oregon Department of Energy waives service of paper copies.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures
c: Phil Carver, ODOE
UG 163 Service List

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

UG 163

In the Matter of Northwest Natural)
Petition to Commence Investigation.) **PETITION TO**
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NAME OF PETITIONER: Oregon Department of Energy

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION: N/A

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING:

Under ORS 469.030, the Oregon Department of Energy is statutorily charged with the responsibility to study, evaluate and disseminate information about energy use in Oregon. ODOE's responsibilities include the preparation of a comprehensive energy plan under ORS 460.060 and an energy forecast under ORS 469.070. As part of these responsibilities, under ORS 469.060 ODOE is charged with making "recommendations for state and local governments to assist in the development and maximum use of cost-effective conservation and renewable resources, consistent with the energy policy stated in ORS 469.010 * * *." (ORS 469.060(3)(f)). In aid of that responsibility, ODOE "may intervene in any proceeding undertaken by an agency for the purpose of expressing its views as to the effect of an agency action, upon state energy resources and state energy policy." ORS 469.110(2).

THE ISSUES THE PETITIONER INTENDS TO RAISE AT THE PROCEEDING:

Unknown at this time.

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING:

See description of the Department of Energy's interest, above.

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I or the organization that I represent will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-013-0021.

Pursuant to OAR 860-13-0070(4) the Petitioner hereby agrees to accept service by electronic mail and waives other forms of service provided in OAR 860-013-0073.

Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 28th day of April, I served the foregoing PETITION TO INTERVENE, upon, the persons named on the attached service list, by mailing a full, true and correct copy thereof addressed to the persons at the addresses on the service list.

DATED: April 28, 2005

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