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Oregon Public Utility Commission Attn: Filing Center 550 Capitol Street, N.E., #215 P.O. Box 2148 Salem, Oregon 97308-2148

Re.

In the Matter of the Northwest Natural Gas, dba NW Natural

Application for an Accounting Order Regarding Depreciation Rates and

low-Through Amounts. **Docket No. UM-1335**

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original and one (1) copy of the NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS' PETITION TO INTERVENE and WAIVER OF PAPER SERVICE in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure(s)

cc: UM-1335 Service List

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1335

In the Matter of the NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS, dba NW NATURAL	PETITION TO INTERVENE & WAIVER OF PAPER SERVICE OF THE NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS
Application for an Accounting Order)
Regarding Depreciation Rates and Flow-)
Through Amounts.)

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-013-0021, the Northwest Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") hereby submit this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and seeks party status as provided in OAR § 860-011-0035(7). In support of this pleading, NWIGU states as follows:

1. The name and address of NWIGU as a party of record in this proceeding is:

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- 2. NWIGU is a non-profit association comprised of thirty five end users of natural gas with major facilities in the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. NWIGU members include diverse industrial interests, including food processing, pulp and paper, wood products, electric generation, aluminum, steel, chemicals, electronics, and aerospace. The association provides an informational service to its members and participates in various regulatory matters that affect member interests. NWIGU member companies acquire natural gas sales and transportation services from Northwest Natural Gas in Oregon
- 3. Through this proceeding, NW Natural has applied for an accounting order to change its depreciation rates and flow-through amounts for book depreciation in excess of taxes and removal costs. Such a change will impact the rates NW Natural charges customers in the future for sales and transportation services. Thus, this filing directly impacts the interests of NWIGU member companies.

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WHEREFORE, NWIGU respectfully requests leave to intervene, requests all the rights of a party in this proceeding.

DATED: February 20, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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Of Attorneys for the Northwest Industrial Gas Users

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that I have on this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of record in this proceeding via electronic mail or by mailing a copy properly addressed with first class postage prepaid.

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