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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Re: Docket UM 1633

Attention Filing Center:

Enclosed in the above-referenced docket is an original and one copy of NW Natural's Petition to Intervene. The filing has been served on the parties to the service list as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wendy McIndoo". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Wendy McIndoo

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1 BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
2 OF OREGON

3 UM 1633

4 In the Matter of
5 OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION,
6 Investigation into Treatment of Pension Costs
7 in Utility Rates.

**NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY'S PETITION
TO INTERVENE
and Waiver of Paper Service**

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9 Pursuant to ORS 756.525 and OAR 860-001-0300, Northwest Natural Gas Company
10 ("NW Natural" or "the Company") petitions the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (the
11 "Commission") to intervene in this proceeding with full party status. In support of this
12 petition, NW Natural states:

13 1.

14 NW Natural is a natural gas public utility operating in the state of Oregon and is
15 subject to the supervision and regulation of the Commission.

16 2.

17 The name and address of the Company are:
18 Northwest Natural Gas Company
19 220 NW Second Ave
20 Portland, OR 97209

21 3.

22 NW Natural wishes to waive paper service in this docket. Communications to NW
23 Natural concerning this proceeding should be addressed to:

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7 NW Natural has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. NW Natural has
8 experience with Commission investigations. NW Natural's participation in this docket could
9 assist the Commission in resolving the issues. NW Natural will not unreasonably broaden
10 the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceedings.

11 5.

12 Because no other party can adequately represent NW Natural's interests in this
13 proceeding, NW Natural respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Petition to
14 Intervene.

15 DATED: December 28, 2012.

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Lisa F. Rackner

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

2 I hereby certify that I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document in Docket UM
3 1633 on the following named person(s) on the date indicated below by email addressed to said
4 person(s) at his or her last-known address(es) indicated below.

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22 DATED: December 28, 2012

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