

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1720

In the Matters of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY dba NW NATURAL,

Investigation into Long-Term Hedging
Policy.

NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS
USERS' PETITION TO INTERVENE

and Waiver of Paper Service

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525, OAR § 860-001-0300(2), and the Notice of Prehearing Conference dated March 30, 2015, the Northwest Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") hereby submits this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and seeks party status as provided in OAR § 860-001-0300(7). In support of this Petition to Intervene, 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 more than 40 end users of natural gas with major facilities in the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. NWIGU members include diverse industrial and commercial interests, including food processing, pulp and paper, wood products, electric generation, aluminum, steel, chemicals, electronics, aerospace, and healthcare providers. The association provides an informational service to its members and participates in various regulatory matters that affect member interests. NWIGU member companies purchase sales and transportation services from Oregon local distribution companies.

3. In Order No. 15-064, the Commission opened this docket to investigate NW Natural's long-term hedging policy. Because NWIGU member companies purchase sales and transportation services from NW Natural, NWIGU has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding.

4. NWIGU's participation in this proceeding will assist the Commission in resolving the issues, and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, unduly burden the record, or delay the proceeding.

5. NWIGU waives paper service of documents in this proceeding.

6. NWIGU is also filing a Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant concurrently with this Petition to Intervene.

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

Dated this 3rd day of April 2015.

Respectfully submitted,



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