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July 29, 2016

Oregon Public Utility Commission 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 Salem, OR 97301-3612

Re: Advice No. CNG/O16-07-02, UG\_\_\_\_

UM 1336, Deferred Accounting for Intervenor Funding Schedule No. 192, Intervenor Funding Adjustment

Attention: Filing Center

Pursuant to Docket UM 1336, ORS 757.210 and ORS 757.259(5), Cascade hereby submits three copies of the following revisions to Cascade's P.U.C. OR No. 9 Tariffs containing an effective date on and after November 1, 2016:

#### Thirteenth Revision Sheet No. 192

This filing updates the Company's Intervenor Funding rates currently in effect pursuant to Section 7.9 of the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement previously adopted by the Public Utilities Commission of Oregon ("Commission") in Order No. 15-335. In this filing, the Company is requesting an increase in revenues of \$80,359, or .20 %, effective on November 1, 2016. The current amortization rates and the proposed changes, both inclusive of the gross revenue factor, are as follows:

Schedule	Current Amortization Rates	Proposed Amortization Rates	Difference in Amortization Rate
101	0.00102	0.00182	0.00080
105	0.00006	0.00129	0.00120
111	0.00006	0.00129	0.00120
170	0.00006	0.00129	0.00120
163	0.00006	0.00129	0.00120

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In Order 15-307 in Docket No. UM 1336, the Commission approved Cascade Natural Gas's request for reauthorization to defer costs related to Intervenor Funding grants for the period November 1, 2015, through October 31, 2016. The Company made that filing pursuant to ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300(4). This filing is in compliance with ORS 757.210 which authorizes deferred utility expenses or revenues to be allowed (amortized) in rates to the extent authorized by the Commission in a proceeding to change rates. All of the deferrals included in this filing occurred with appropriate application by Commission authorization, as rate orders or under approved tariffs.

### **Three Percent Test**

Pursuant to ORS 757.259(5-7) and OAR 860-027-0300(9), the overall annual average rate impact of the amortizations authorized under the statutes may not exceed three percent of the natural gas utility's gross revenues for the preceding calendar year, unless the Commission finds that allowing a higher amortization rate is reasonable under the circumstances. However, per ORS 757.259(4), the amortization of Intervenor Funding is not subject to an earnings review, and the Intervenor Funding amortization balance is not included in the three percent test.

# **Other Information**

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by this filing by rate schedule are as follows:

	Number of
Rate Schedule	Customers
101	59,633
105	134
111	15
170	4
163	30

The Table below provides the annual revenue before and after the impact of the rate change, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates:

Rate Schedule	Description	Current Revenues	Proposed Revenues	Revenue Incr (Decr)	Percent Incr (Decr)	Therms per Month	Current Avg Bill	Proposed Avg Bill	Monthly Change	Proposed Rates % Change
101	Residential	\$33,936,333	\$34,008,747	\$72,414	0.21%	51	\$46.50	\$46.60	\$0.10	0.21%
105	Industrial Firm	\$1,711,218	\$1,714,541	\$3,246	0.19%	1,510	\$1,015.09	\$1,017.06	\$1.93	0.19%
111	Com-Ind Dual	\$1,374,653	\$1,377,478	\$2,759	0.20%	11,251	\$7,062.48	\$7,076.99	\$14.17	0.20%
170	Industrial Interr	\$1,673,072	\$1,676,694	\$3,538	0.21%	52,321	\$31,176.51	\$31,244.00	\$65,93	0.21%
163	Dist Trans	\$1,980,680	\$2,022,092	\$41,412	2.09%	64,645	\$6,961.99	\$7,107.55	\$145.56	2.09%

After combining the impact of this filing along with three other regulatory filings made today, the overall effect of the proposed rate adjustments on the monthly bill of a residential customer with consumption of 51 therms will be a net decrease of (\$5.20) or (11.18%), for a revised monthly bill of \$41.30 effective November 1, 2016.

The Company will issue a media release coincident with the update annual Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment ("PGA") filing in mid-September and provide notice to customers via a bill insert following the approval on this filing.

Attached in support of this filing is Exhibit 1 which contains a development of intervenor funding temporary rate increments and a summary of proposed intervenor funding.

The Company agrees to rate adjustments and refunds should the Commission determine that these rates have been inappropriately calculated. Any rate adjustments and refunds will be retroactive to November 1, 2016 provided that the Commission advises the Company of the necessity for such rate adjustments or refunds within 30 days after the effective date of these rates.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to me at (509) 734-4593.

Sincerely,

Michael Parvinen

Director, Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> On July 29, 2016, Cascade Natural Gas filed Advice Nos. O16-07-01 and O16-07-03; both are effective November 1, 2016, subject to Commission approval.

# CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

# UM 1336 INTERVENOR FUNDING ADJUSTMENT SCHEDULE NO. 192

#### APPLICABLE:

To all of the below listed schedules for gas service of tariff P.U.C. Or. No. 9.

#### PURPOSE:

The purpose of this schedule is to recover the cost of Intervenor Funding Grants provided to various entities to cover their costs of advocating on behalf of customers. The awarding of such grants is governed by Section 7.9 of the Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding agreement adopted by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon in Order No. 12-452.

# MONTHLY RATES, MINIMUM BILLS AND OTHER CHARGES:

Each of the charges specified in the schedules for gas service hereinafter listed shall be adjusted by the following per therm increase or (decrease) or appropriate multiple thereof:

Rate Schedule	<u>Amount</u>	
Schedule 101	\$.00182	(I)
Schedule 104	\$.0000	
Schedule 105	\$.00126	(I)
Schedule 111	\$.00126	(I)
Schedule 112	\$.0000	
Schedule 126	\$.0000	İ
Schedule 170	\$.00126	(I)
Schedule 163 All Rate Blocks	\$.00126	m
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#### GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

This schedule is subject to the Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

CNG/O16-07-02

Issued July 29, 2016 Effective with Service on and After November 1, 2016

# Before the

# OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

# EXHIBIT 1

# **Intervenor Funding**

Development of Intervenor Funding Temporary Rate Increments (Schedule 1 of 2) Summary of Proposed Intervenor Funding (Schedule 2 of 2)

**Cascade Natural Gas Corporation** 

July 29, 2016

Cascade Natural Gas DEVELOPMENT OF INTERVENOR FUNDING TEMPORARY RATE INCREMENTS UM 1336 Related Balances

				Account	Estimated	Estimated Thru 10/31/16	Interest		L							
	Order			Balance	Interest			Balance for	or Forecasted			TEMPORARY	EMPORARY INCREMENT FOR ALL RATE SCHEDULES	OR ALL PATE !	CHEDULES	
		Class	Residual	06-30-16	Accruais	Amortizations	Amortization	Amortization	on Therms	Increment	101	105	111	170	163	164
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	15-307	101	Residual	74,720	\$ 478	478 \$ (5,371)	₩.	599 \$ 70,427	39,787,946	0.00177	, s0.00177					
	15-307	105/111/170 Residual 163	Residual	\$ 49,552	321	(733)	292	\$ 49,706	06 40,439,956	0.00123		0.00123	0.00123	0.00123	0.00123	0.00123
SUBTOTAL AMORTIZATION RATES BEFORE REVENUE SENSITIVE COSTS											\$0.00177	\$0.00123	\$0.00123	\$0.00123	\$0.00123	\$0,00123
				5 124,272	98	800 \$ (6,104)	\$ 1,165	\$ 120,132 2.618% \$ 123,362	88% 652		2.618%	2.618%	2.618%	2.618%	2.618%	2.618%
PROPOSED AMORTIZATION RATE INCLUDING REVENUE SENSITIVE COSTS											\$ 0.00182	\$ 0,00126	\$ 0.00126	\$ 0.00126	0.00182   \$ 0.00126 \$ 0.00126 \$ 0.00126 \$ 0.00128	\$ 0.00126

# Cascade Natural Gas Corporation SUMMARY OF PROPOSED INTERVENOR FUNDING State of Oregon

			Reversal	Proposed		
			14/15 UM-1336	UM-1336		R/S 192
		Rate		Intervenor Funding	1	
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Ln	Description	Schedule	Temp. Rate Adj.	Temp. Rate Adj.		Total
No.	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)		(e)
	CORE MARKET RATE SCHEDULES					
1	Residential	101	\$ (0.00102)	\$ 0.00182	\$	0.00080
2	Commercial	104	\$ -	- \$	\$	-
3	Com-Ind Dual Service	111	\$ (0.00006)	\$ 0.00126	\$	0.00120
4	Industrial Firm	105	\$ (0.00006)	\$ 0.00126	\$	0.00120
5	Industrial Interr.	170	\$ (0.00006)	\$ 0.00126	\$	0.00120
	NONCORE MARKET CUSTOMERS					
6	Distribution	163	\$ (0.00006)	\$ 0.00126	\$	0.00120
7	Lg. Vol Distribution	164	\$ (0.00006)	\$ 0.00126	\$	0.00120
8	Special Contract	902	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-