

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1717

In the Matter of)	
)	REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS)	THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL)	OF OREGON
)	
Application for Prudence Review of Costs)	
of Post-Carry Wells)	
_____)	

Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement),¹ the Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) submits this request for final payment of \$9,840 of eligible expenses in docket UM 1717 from the NW Natural Issue Fund. CUB is automatically precertified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

On April 10, 2015, CUB submitted a proposed budget of \$9,840. On April 13, 2015, in Order No. 15-113, the Commission approved CUB's budget.

Under Section 7.3 of the Agreement, each Issue Fund Grand Request for Payment must:

- (a) *Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed;*
- (b) *Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget;*
- (c) *Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any condition or requirement of the Issue Fund Grant, including, but not limited to, documentation sufficient to show that the intervenor has satisfied the matching fund requirement (i) set forth in Section 6.5 above or (ii) as the Commission may establish as a reasonable condition on Issue Fund Grants, whichever applies; and*
- (d) *Specify whether the request for payment is for a progress payment or final payment in full and indicate whether any approved budget amount may be released back to the applicable Issue Fund because the intervenor does not intend to request payment for the full approved*

¹ The Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement was approved by the Commission in Order No. 12-452 (Nov. 20, 2012).

budget amount.

- (a) Confidential Attachment A contains a summary of CUB's expenses in this case. Confidential Attachment B provides a list of CUB activities by date and Intervenor Funding Task Category, as well as CUB's mailing and travel expenses. Confidential Attachment C breaks out each CUB staff member's time by Intervenor Funding Task Category.
- (b) The expenses incurred are reasonable and directly attributable to the issues and positions CUB addressed in UM 1717 on behalf of residential customers. In support of this assertion, we supply Confidential Attachments A, B, and C, which can be compared to CUB's Issue Fund Budget in this case.
- (c) CUB has satisfied the matching fund requirement is demonstrated in Attachment A, the summary of CUB's expenses. Order No. 15-113 did not include any additional conditions beyond those anticipated in the Agreement. CUB expenses to date after the match are greater than the requested \$9,840 final payment.
- (d) This is a final payment request.

In this filing, CUB requests final payment of its costs in UM 1717 amounting to \$9,840. *See Confidential Attachment A, CUB Expense Summary.* The attached documents should allow the Commission to track the time spent on the elements of the case, and we believe that this filing meets the requirements of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
August 21, 2015



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Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

Enc. Confidential Attachments A, B, and C.

cc. Mark Thompson, NW Natural