BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1720

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In the Matter of)	
)	NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY,)	ISSUE FUND GRANTS OF THE
dba NW NATURAL)	CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD
)	OF OREGON
Investigation into Long-Term Hedging Policy)	

The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) files this Notice of Intent to Request Issue Fund Grants in UM 1720, pursuant to OAR 860-012-0100(3)(a)and the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (IFA), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) in Order No. 15-335 (October 20, 2015).

- The Public Utility Commission of Oregon has opened a docket to explore
 issues related to NW Natural's long-term hedging policy. The Commission
 will examine this filing in Docket No. UM 1720.
- 2. UM 1720 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as "any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities." IFA, Article 1(c).
- 3. UM 1720 will directly affect NW Natural, which is a Participating Public Utility under Article 1(k) of the IFA.
- 4. As required by IFA Article 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each

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- affected Participating Public Utility, all precertified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list from UM 1720.¹
- CUB identifies the 2016 NW Natural Account as the account from which CUB intends to request the Issue Fund Grant.
- 6. CUB has been pre-certified under Article 5.2(a) of the IFA and OAR 860-001-0120(3)(a), as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.
- 7. CUB will file a proposed budget with respect to the Issue Fund Grant, as provided in Article 6.3 of the IFA.

Dated this 19th day of February, 2016

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¹ CUB requests waiver of IFA Article 6.2, which requires any potential intervenor seeking an Issue Fund Grant to file its notice of intent to request an Issue Fund Grant concurrent with its petition to intervene or notice of intervention. At the time that CUB filed its notice of intervention, it was unclear which utilities would be participating in this docket. Because of the early stage of this docket, CUB does not believe that any party would be harmed by the delay between the date CUB filed its notice of intervention and the date that it filed its notice of intent to request an Issue Fund Grant.