

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1744

In the Matter of)	
)	AMENDMENT OF PROPOSED
)	BUDGET OF THE CITIZENS'
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS)	UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL)	
)	
Application for Approval of an Emission)	
Reduction Program)	
_____)	

Pursuant to Section 6.7 of the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), which was adopted in Order No. 15-253, the Citizens' Utility Board submits this Amendment of Proposed Budget in docket UM 1744 from the 2015 NW Natural Issue Fund. CUB is automatically precertified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

On August 24, 2015, CUB filed its Request for an Issue Fund Grant and a Proposed Budget for this case, showing eligible expenses of \$19,750 but seeking an Issue Fund Grant of \$0 due to the lack of available funds in NW Natural's Issue Fund at that time. In its filing, CUB indicated its plans to update its request at a later date. The Commission approved CUB's proposed budget in Order No. 15-253. Since that time, the Commission has approved the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement, which has resulted in additional available funds for NW Natural.

Section 6.7 of the Agreement states:

Amendment of Proposed Budget: At any time during the proceeding, an intervenor who received Commission approval for an Issue Fund Grant may file to amend its budget and request additional funding due to unforeseen changes in the scope or complexity of issues, positions taken by other parties, changes in the schedule of the case, or other good cause.

There is good cause to support approving CUB's proposed budget amendment. First, additional funds have become available since CUB's request was first submitted its placeholder budget to the Commission. Second, the scope, complexity of issues, and changes in the schedule of the case have resulted in the need for additional funding that was not originally anticipated when CUB submitted its initial proposed budget, and docket activity is ongoing. Therefore, CUB is seeking to increase its approved budget to \$39,000. CUB's amended budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2015
Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Jenks", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bob Jenks
Executive Director
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

CUB Proposed Budget -- UM 1744

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	65.00	\$16,250.00
Jaime McGovern, Senior Economist	\$225	80.00	\$18,000.00
Nadine Hanhan, Utility Analyst	\$125	5.00	\$625.00
Sommer Templet, Staff Attorney	\$175	75.00	\$13,125.00
Administrative Assistant/Paralegal	\$75	7.00	\$525.00
 <i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing, Mailing & Travel			\$225.00
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In-House Resources			
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$9,750)
Total			\$39,000
Amended Request			\$39,000