BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1919

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Application for Authorization to Defer Certain Expenses Associated with the 2018 US Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS' NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST ISSUE FUND GRANT

Pursuant to OAR § 860-001-0120 and the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA"), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") in Order No. 18-017 (January 17, 2018), Alliance of Western Energy Consumers ("AWEC") hereby respectfully submit this Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant in Docket UM 1919. As required by the IFA, AWEC asserts the following:

- 1. UM 1919 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as a proceeding before the Commission to review an Integrated Resource Plan. IFA, Section 1(c)(iii). UM 1919 will directly affect NW Natural Gas Company ("NW Natural"), a Participating Public Utility under Section 1(k) of the IFA and involves the authorization to use defer certain expenses or revenues associated with the 2018 U.S. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Therefore, an Issue Fund Grant is permissible under Section 6.1 of the IFA.
- 2. As required by IFA Section 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each affected Participating Public Utility, all pre-certified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list for UM 1919.
- 3. AWEC identifies the NW Natural Issue Fund Account as the account from which AWEC intends to request the Issue Fund Grant. The amount of the request will depend on the availability of funds in that account when AWEC submits a budget.

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- 4. AWEC has been precertified under Section 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-001-0120(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.
 - 5. AWEC will submit a budget in accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA.

Dated this 31st day of October 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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