## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

## **UG 167**

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	)	PETITION OF COMMUNITY
In the Matter of	)	ACTION DIRECTORS OF
Cascade Natural Gas Request for	)	OREGON (CADO) AND OREGON
Authorization to Establish a Decoupling	)	ENERGY COORDINATORS
Mechanism and Approval of Tariff Sheets	)	ASSOCIATION (OECA) TO
No. 30 and No. 30-A	)	INTERVENE AND PARTICIPATE
	)	AS A PARTY
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Pursuant to OAR 860-12-0001 the Community Action Directors of Oregon and Oregon Energy Coordinators Association petition to intervene in this proceeding. In support of its petition, CADO and OECA represent as follows:

1. The business address of CADO is:

Michael Fieldman, President Community Action Directors of Oregon 2448 W. Harvard Blvd. Roseburg, Oregon 97470

The business address of OECA is:

Karl Hans Tanner, President Oregon Energy Coordinators Association 2448 W Harvard Blvd. Roseburg, Oregon 97470 2. CADO and OECA will be represented in this proceeding by Jim Abrahamson, Oregon Energy Partnership Coordinator. All documents relating to this proceeding should be served to CADO and OECA at the following address:

Jim Abrahamson Oregon Energy Partnership / CADO 945 Columbia Street, NE Salem, Oregon 97303

Karl Hans Tanner, President Oregon Energy Coordinators Association 2448 W Harvard Blvd. Roseburg, Oregon 97470

- 3. CADO and OECA are non-profit associations of low-income service agencies across Oregon. Our agencies provide over 40,000 low-income Oregon households per year with bill payment assistance, weatherization, energy education and other vital energy-related services. Several of our member agencies provide service to the qualified low-income customers of Cascade Natural Gas.
- 4. CADO and OECA have a substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding. CADO and OECA seek to intervene to ensure that Cascade's rates, and related programs and services, best serve the interests of ratepayers, especially those with limited incomes.
- 5. CADO and OECA believe that our past experience intervening in OPUC utility application, such as UM 1209, UM 1121, UG 163, UM 918, UG 143, our multi-year effort in shaping bill payment assistance programs, and our efforts in developing electric restructuring legislation (SB 1149) provide expertise that will assist

the Commissioners during this proceeding. CADO and OECA submit that our participation will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unnecessarily delay the proceeding.

CADO and OECA respectfully requests that this Petition to Intervene as a Party be granted.

Respectfully submitted, this 1st day of February, 2006

/s/ Thomas James (Jim) Abrahamson

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 6, 2006, I delivered a copy of the foregoing Petition to Intervene of the Community Action Directors of Oregon and the Oregon Energy Coordinators Association in Docket UG 167 to the Commission's Salem office and that the forgoing document was electronically served on all parties whom have an email address on the official service list, and by U.S. Mail, postage-prepaid, to those parties who do not have an email address on the official service list.

Respectfully Submitted,

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