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Attention: Filing Center
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Re: *In the Matter of NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL
Investigation into Schedule H, Large Volume Non-Residential High Pressure Gas Service
Rider*
OPUC Docket No.: UG 266
DOJ File No.: 330030-GN0422-13

Enclosed for filing with the Commission today are an original and one copy of the Oregon Department of Energy's ("ODOE") PETITION TO INTERVENE in the above-captioned matter.

Sincerely,

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Senior Assistant Attorney General
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Enclosures
RMF:jrs/#4760326
(Electronic copies only)
c: UG 266 Service list
Kacia Brockman, ODOE
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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS)
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL) PETITION TO INTERVENE
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Investigation into Schedule H, Large)
Volume Non-Residential High Pressure Gas)
Service Rider)

NAME OF PETITIONER: Oregon Department of Energy

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IF THE PETITIONER IS AN ORGANIZATION, THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN AND
THE PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION: Not applicable.

NATURE AND EXTENT OF THE PETITIONER'S INTEREST IN THE PROCEEDING:

Under ORS 469.030, the Oregon Department of Energy ("ODOE") is statutorily charged with the responsibility to study, evaluate and disseminate information about energy use in Oregon. ODOE's responsibilities include the preparation of a comprehensive energy plan under ORS 460.060 and an energy forecast under ORS 469.070. As part of these responsibilities, under ORS 469.060 ODOE is charged with making "recommendations for state and local governments to assist in the development and maximum use of cost-effective conservation and renewable resources, consistent with the energy policy stated in ORS 469.010 * * *." (ORS 469.060(3)(f)). In aid of that responsibility, ODOE "may intervene in any proceeding undertaken by an agency for the purpose of expressing its views as to the effect of an agency action, upon state energy resources and state energy policy." ORS 469.110(2).

ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE OF THE PETITIONER THAT WOULD ASSIST THE COMMISSION IN RESOLVING THE ISSUES IN THE PROCEEDING:

See description of the ODOE's interest, above.

NAMES, ELECTRONIC ADDRESSES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND PHYSICAL ADDRESSES OF THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT PETITIONER WOULD LIKE ADDED TO THE SERVICE LIST IN THIS DOCKET: Kacia Brockman, Oregon Department of Energy, kacia.brockman@state.or.us, (503) 373-7955, 625 Marion Street N.E., Salem, OR 97301-3737 and Julie Peacock, Oregon Department of Energy, julie.peacock@state.or.us, (503) 373-2125, 625 Marion Street N.E., Salem, OR 97301-3737.

Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I, or the organization that I represent, will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OAR 860-001-300

Petitioner hereby agrees to accept service by electronic mail and waives other forms of service.

Mark Schumel #255115
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Petitioner or Petitioner's Representative
Renee France, AAL

November 6, 2013
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 6, 2013, I served the foregoing PETITION TO INTERVENE upon the persons named on the service list, by electronic mail only as all parties have waived paper service.

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