

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

UM 1565

In the Matter of)	
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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF)	FOREFRONT ECONOMICS'
OREGON)	PETITION TO INTERVENE
)	AND WAIVER OF PAPER
Investigation into Fuel Switching and)	SERVICE
Cross Fuel Efficiency)	
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Pursuant to ORS 756.525 and OAR 860-012-0001, Forefront Economics petitions to intervene in UM 1565, Investigation of Fuel Switching and Cross Fuel Efficiency. In support of this petition, Forefront Economics states:

1.

Forefront Economics is a consulting firm that preforms economic evaluations specific to the delivery of utility service including but not limited to demand side management (“DSM”) cost effectiveness tests and DSM program impact evaluations.

2.

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3.

Forefront Economics has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. Forefront Economics prepared for NW Natural the white paper that studied the energy savings and costs of replacing an existing gas furnace in a single family home with either a high efficiency natural gas furnace or a high efficiency electric heat pump. This study was cited in Staff's memo to the Commission, dated November 29, 2011, wherein Staff asked the Commission to open the investigation.

4.

Forefront Economics participation in this proceeding will assist the Commission in resolving the issues before it and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record or unreasonably delay the proceedings.

5.

Forefront Economics hereby waives service by means other than service by electronic mail.

WHEREFORE, Forefront Economics respectfully requests that the Commission grant this petition to intervene.

DATED: January 25, 2012

FOREFRONT ECONOMICS

/s/ Mark Thompson
Mark Thompson
President, Forefront Economics

January 25, 2012

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Re: DOCKET UM 1565: Investigation into Fuel Switching and Cross Fuel
Efficiency

Petition to Intervene

Enclosed please find Forefront Economics' Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket.

Please call me at (503) 626-1657 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: UM 1565 Service List

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing PETITION TO INTERVENE OF FOREFRONT ECONOMICS in Docket No. UM 1565 upon each party listed below by electronic mail.

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