ITEM NO. CA5

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: August 23, 2022

REGULAR CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE September 1, 2022

- **DATE:** August 10, 2022
- TO: Public Utility Commission
- FROM: Rose Pileggi
- THROUGH: Bryan Conway, Marc Hellman, and Matt Muldoon SIGNED
- SUBJECT: <u>CASCADE NATURAL GAS</u>: Docket No. ADV 1423 Cascade Advice No. 022-07-06, Schedule 201 Special Contracts Housekeeping.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend that the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) approve Cascade Natural Gas Corporation's (Cascade, CNG, or Company) housekeeping filing that revises its Tariff PUC No.10, with an effective date of September 1, 2022.

DISCUSSION:

<u>Issue</u>

Whether the Commission should approve the Company's proposed housekeeping revisions to its Tariff PUC No. 10, with an effective date of September 1, 2022.

Applicable Rule or Law

Under ORS 757.205, utilities are required to file schedules with the Commission showing all rates, tolls, and charges established and in force at the time for any service performed within the state, or for any service in connection therewith or performed by any public utility controlled or operated by it. Under ORS 757.220 and OAR 860-022-0015, filings that propose any change in rates, tolls, charges, rules, or regulations must be filed with the Commission at least 30 days before the effective date of the change. Analysis

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On July 29, 2022, the Company filed a request to make a housekeeping change to its PUC No. 10 Tariff for the purpose of removing the reference to Heinz Frozen Foods (Heinz) from Rate Schedule 201 Special Contracts.

JR Simplot purchased Heinz and agreed to take service on Rate Schedule 163, effective July 1, 2022. Heinz is no longer a customer of the Company, and the proposed revision to Rate Schedule 201 reflects such.

The filing makes no changes to Company rates, and the proposed changes do not affect existing Company customers.

Conclusion

Staff reviewed the Company's filing and redline changes to the Company's Oregon PUC Tariff No. 10 Rate Schedule 201 Special Contracts. Staff is satisfied that the changes are appropriate, do not make substantive changes that affect customers or operations, and reflect the current status of the tariff as previously approved by the Commission.

The Company has reviewed this memo and agrees with its content.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Approve Cascade Natural Gas' Advice No. 022-07-06, authorizing a housekeeping revision to Rate Schedule 201 Special Contracts, effective with service on and after September 1, 2022.

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