

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1654

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Investigation of Interstate Storage and  
Optimization Sharing.

RULING

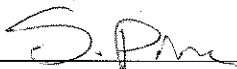
**DISPOSITION: MOTION GRANTED WITH MODIFICATION;  
SCHEDULE AMENDED**

On October 18, 2013, Commission Staff moved for leave to file supplemental testimony and to modify the schedule in this docket. Staff requests the opportunity to respond to issues raised in the testimony filed by the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon. Staff states that all parties agree to Staff's proposed modified schedule.

I grant Staff's request to file supplemental testimony, with one change. In the schedule proposed by Staff, the Commission has two working days to review the parties' pre-hearing briefs. To give the Commission adequate time to review the parties' briefs, I adopt a schedule with an earlier date for filing pre-hearing briefs:

EVENT	DATE
Staff Supplemental Testimony due	November 22, 2013
NW Natural and CUB Reply Testimony due	January 10, 2014
Pre-Hearing Briefs due	January 27, 2014
Cross-Examination Statements and Exhibits due	January 29, 2014
Hearing	February 3, 2014
Post-Hearing Briefs due	February 21, 2014

Dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013, at Salem, Oregon.



Shani Pines

Administrative Law Judge