ISSUED: November 17, 2015

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1744

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

RULING

Application for Approval of an Emission Reduction Program.

DISPOSITION: HEARING POSTPONED

On November 16, 2015, Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, filed a motion to amend the procedural schedule in this docket and requested expedited consideration. NW Natural requests that the November 19, 2015 hearing be postponed and rescheduled for December 18, 2015. NW Natural states that it will use November 19 for an additional settlement conference with the parties. NW Natural states that Portland General Electric (PGE) and PacifiCorp oppose this motion.

The procedural schedule is modified and the hearing is postponed. In order to give all parties, including PGE and PacifiCorp, an opportunity to agree to a new hearing date and the post-hearing briefing schedule, I direct the parties to discuss the schedule on November 19. I also direct NW Natural to file by Monday, November 23, a status update and a proposed schedule agreed to by the parties, with any required authorization under ORS 757.539(7)(b) to further extend the Commission's deadline for issuing an order on this application.

Dated this 17th day of November, 2015, at Salem, Oregon.

Sarah Rowe

Administrative Law Judge