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RE: Advice No. O22-07-06

At the public meeting on August 23, 2022, the Commission adopted Staff's recommendation in this matter docketed as ADV 1423. The Staff Report and a receipted copy of the sheets in your advice filing are attached.

Nolan Moser

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Public Utility Commission of Oregon

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

REGULAR **CONSENT** **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: CASCADE NATURAL GAS:
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:

Issue

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.

SCHEDULE 201
SPECIAL CONTRACTS

RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

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SCHEDULE 201
SPECIAL CONTRACTS

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3. **HERMISTON GENERATING COMPANY, L.P.** - Firm Distribution Transportation Services Special Contract.

a. Term

The contract, dated August 16, 2021, has a minimum primary contact term of 15 years commencing on the Effective Date of the contract, as defined within, and continuing in effect thereafter from year to year until canceled by either party with provision of at least one (1) year's advance written notice, which notice must be given at least one (1) year prior to the end of the primary term if termination is to occur at the end of the primary term. There is a provision that allows Hermiston the ability to termination the contract, at any time, with at least one-year written notice prior to termination.

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