



September 30, 2013

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
PO Box 1088
Salem OR 97308-2148

Re: Northwest Natural (NWN) Advice No. 13-10

Dear Public Utilities Commission,

TransEnergy Solutions is a consultant to, project developer for and educator of transportation fleets with an interest in alternative fuels. Our company has done a significant amount of work and outreach in the State of Oregon with fleets interested in adopting Compressed Natural Gas (CNG).

As a company, we have relationships with a wide range of CNG suppliers, including utilities in other jurisdictions. We see utility involvement, especially in the current stage of CNG development, as a positive development in the marketplace. Unfortunately, the State of Oregon significantly lags in the infrastructure supporting CNG for fleets, and the utility can play a major role in accelerating the adoption of this domestically produced, lower emission fuel.

As a company that works closely with other private suppliers of CNG technology, we are very well aware of the positives and negatives of utility involvement in this part of the industry. It is our belief that this tariff, being fleet specific, not retail focused, and likely to be periodically reviewed, will be a positive first step for the state for the adoption of this cleaner fuel source for vehicles.

Northwest Natural's ability to supply CNG will provide a strong net benefit to the state in general, potentially increase volumes moved through their system, allowing for more efficient utilization of vital ratepayer serving assets, and spur the adoption of CNG in the transportation market.

Please feel free to contact me at ian@transenergysolutions.com or 253-237-2106 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

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