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April 20, 2015

Oregon Public Utility Commission P.O. Box 1088 Salem, OR 97308-1088

Attn: Filing Center

Re: In the Matter of Public Utility Commission of Oregon, Investigation into Recovery of Safety Costs by Natural Gas Utilities, Docket UM 1722

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation files the above-referenced Petition to Intervene. The filing has been served on the parties to the service list as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

If there are any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (509) 734-4593.

Sincerely,

Michael Parvinen

Director, Regulatory Affairs

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Enclosure

Cc: Service List

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

## OF OREGON

UM 1722

In the Matters of:

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

Investigation into Recovery of Safety Costs By Natural Gas Utilities PETITION TO INTERVENE

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or Company) hereby petitions to intervene in this proceeding and to waive paper service. In support of this petition the following is provided:

1. The contact information (name, address, email address) of the petitioner is:

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Please include this contact on the service list

- 2a. The petitioner will not be represented by counsel in this proceeding.
- 2b. Additional contacts to be included on the service list:

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3. The Petitioner is an organization, the number of members in and the purposes of the organization:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is a utility that provides service to approximately 202,000 natural gas customers in Washington and 67,000 customers in Oregon.

List of Members attached

4. The nature and extent of the Petitioner's interest in the proceeding is:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission and could be directly impacted by the outcome of the proceeding.

5. The issues the Petitioner intends to raise at the proceeding are:

Cascade has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. Cascade intends to monitor and participate in the proceeding and raise issues as appropriate. No other party can adequately represent the Company's interests in this proceeding.

6. The special knowledge or expertise of the Petitioner that would assist the Commission in resolving the issues in the proceeding is:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, as an investor-owned utility providing service to customers in Oregon, is subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon. Cascade has been a party to numerous Dockets and matters that have come before the Commission. As a small natural gas utility serving portions of Central and Eastern Oregon, we bring a unique perspective to the proceedings. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is in the best position to represent its own interests in these proceedings.

7. Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I, or the organization that I represent, will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceedings.

Michael Parvinen

Director, Regulatory Affairs

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Cascade Natural Gas Corporation

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, on this 20th day of April, 2015, I served the foregoing Petition to Intervene upon all parties listed in the UM 1722 listed on PUC Service List below by emailing an electronic copy to the following parties:

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