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CNG/O17-12-01 Supplement

Oregon Public Utility Commission
Attn: Filing Center
P.O. Box 1088
Salem, OR 97308-1088

Re: UM 779 Compliance Filing
Schedule 200, Various Miscellaneous Charges

On December 1, 2017, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or the Company) submitted a compliance filing to Commission Order No. 17-477. The Company herewith supplements that filing submitting the following replacement sheet stated to become effective with service on and after January 1, 2018:

Second Revision of Sheet No. 200.1

The Company also files the following additional sheet, also with the requested effective date of January 1, 2018:

First Revision of Sheet No. 4.3

The purpose of this supplemental filing is to add language in Rule 4, Customer Deposits and Other Security that states that the interest rate for customer deposits is found in Schedule 200, Various Miscellaneous Charges. Schedule 200 is further revised to include the interest rate on deposits as established in Commission Order No. 17-477.

The changes made herein comply with Commission Order No. 17-477 by establishing the 2018 late pay fee at 2% and the interest rate for customer deposits at 1.4%.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Jennifer Gross at (509) 734-4635.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael Parvinen

Michael Parvinen
Director, Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

RULE 4
CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND OTHER SECURITY

NONRESIDENTIAL DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS

1. Deposit Requirement - Nonresidential (Seasonal and Non-seasonal Service). A deposit may be required equal to one-sixth the estimated annual usage at the service address if an applicant or customer:
 - a. Does not satisfy the credit-screening criteria set forth in Rule 3.
 - b. Owes a bill that is overdue by thirty (30) days or more;
 - c. Was previously exempted from paying a deposit based upon false information given at the time of application;
 - d. Is involved in a bankruptcy action, liquidation, bulk sale or financial reorganization;
 - e. Is adding incremental demand at a premise with an existing service account; or
 - f. The non-residential customer is past due on commitments to creditor such as real estate mortgages or lease agreements, commercial loans, other utility bills and trade accounts.

DEPOSIT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

1. An applicant for nonresidential service who is required to pay a deposit shall pay the deposit in full prior to receiving service. An applicant for nonresidential service may also fulfill the deposit requirement with an irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond (performance bond) or some other form of guarantee acceptable to the Company.
2. An existing nonresidential customer is considered to be an applicant for purposes of satisfying the deposit requirement. An existing nonresidential customer, if required to pay or supplement a deposit, is required to pay the full amount within 10 days of the date of the notice from the Company that such a deposit is required. This notice will also serve as the notice of disconnection required under OAR 860-021-0505.
3. If service is disconnected for nonpayment of a deposit, the customer disconnected will be required to pay the full amount of the deposit, plus any applicable reconnection fee, disconnect visit charge, late payment fee and past due account balance before service is restored.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND NONRESIDENTIAL SERVICE

1. Customer deposits shall accrue interest at the rate established in Schedule 200, which is a rate based upon the effective interest rate for new issues of one-year Treasury Bills issued during the last week of October as determined by the Commission in Docket No. UM 779. This interest rate, rounded to the nearest percent, shall apply to deposits held during January 1 through December 31 of the subsequent year. (C)
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**SCHEDULE 200
VARIOUS MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES**

APPLICABILITY

This schedule sets forth the provisions for various charges throughout these rules and regulations. The name and amount of the charges are listed below. The rules or rate schedules to which each charge applies are in parenthesis.

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| I. <u>Customer Deposit Interest Rate (Rule 4)</u> | 1.4% | (N) |
| II. <u>Reconnection Charge (Rule 5)</u> | | |
| a. Standard, 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays | \$32.00 | |
| b. After Hours between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m., Monday through Friday | \$50.00 | |
| c. Same Business Day or on a Saturday, Sunday or holidays | \$100.00 | |
| A reconnection charge will be required for reestablishment of service at the same address for the same person taking service, if service was disconnected at the customer's request or if it was disconnected involuntarily for reasons other than for Company initiated safety or maintenance. | | |
| III. <u>Deposit for Meter Test - (Rule 8)</u> | \$50.00 | (T) |
| IV. <u>Field Visit Charge- (Rule 5)</u> | \$10.00 | (T) |
| A field visit charge may be assessed whenever Cascade visits a customer's address for the purpose of disconnecting service or reconnecting service and due to the customer's action is unable to complete the disconnection or reconnection. | | |
| V. <u>Late Payment Charge – (Rule 5)</u> | 2% | (T)(I) |
| A late payment charge at a rate determined by the Commission based upon a survey of prevailing market rates will be charged to the customer's current bill when the customer has a prior balance owing of \$200 or more. | | |
| VI. <u>Returned Payment Charge - (Rule 6)</u> | \$10.00 | (T) |
| A returned check fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) may apply for any payment returned unpaid. | | |
| VI. <u>Modifying an Existing Service Line – (Rule 9)</u> | | (T) |
| a. Time of Construction Crew | | |
| • An Individual Employee | \$70.00 per hour | |
| • Construction Crew | up to \$220.00 per hour | |
| b. Cost of Materials required to open and close service connection trench, including asphalt replacement, if any. | | |