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Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
201 High St. SE #100  
Salem, OR 97301

Regarding: ADV 1245, NW Natural revising Smart Energy commercial enrollment options

Dear Commissioners,

Clackamas County serves our community with critical services in public safety, justice, health, housing, development, transportation, garbage and recycling, and many more areas. As we serve our community, we are also seeking to provide value to our community by becoming carbon neutral by 2050. This requires new approaches to our use of energy and in the meantime, prudent investments in projects that can meaningfully reduce carbon pollution elsewhere. We operate more than 50 different facilities, many of which Northwest Natural serves.

The docket proposed by Northwest Natural to revise how it offers offsets to larger commercial customers would benefit Clackamas County and customers like us. We have budgeted for investment in the Smart Energy program and would benefit from a streamlined process that allows us to easily enroll multiple facilities and pursue offsets that offer us the most value.

On behalf of the County's Sustainability & Solid Waste program, thank you for considering this proposal from NW Natural.

Sincerely,

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