

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY dba NW NATURAL,

Advice 20-19, Schedule 198 Renewable
Natural Gas Recovery Mechanism
(ADV 1215).

RULING

DISPOSITION: PETITION TO INTERVENE GRANTED FOR LIMITED PURPOSES

The Commission has received a petition to intervene in this docket from the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC). AWEC requests expedited consideration of its petition to facilitate the review of confidential information.

This proceeding is not a contested case proceeding under ORS 183.310(2). Nonetheless, obtaining party status is necessary for purposes of receiving copies of filings made by others and to be eligible to sign a protective order to obtain access to confidential information. For those reasons, the Commission will grant petitions to intervene, even though party status does not confer the general rights and duties to individuals who participate in contested case proceedings.

AWEC states that it contacted the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, Commission Staff, and NW Natural and no party objects to their petition. The petition to intervene filed by AWEC is granted for the limited purposes described above.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2021, at Salem, Oregon.



Christopher J. Allwein
Administrative Law Judge