ISSUED: December 27, 2021

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY dba NW Natural,

BENCH REQUEST

Request for a General Rate Revision.

On December 17, 2021, Northwest Natural Gas Company filed a request for a general rate revision. Recognizing that NW Natural has deferral requests and amortizations in various stages before the Commission, the following questions are intended to facilitate a complete understanding of the status of the company's current authorized and requested deferrals and amortizations.

- 1. Please provide a comprehensive list of all current authorized and requested deferrals. For each deferral, indicate the dates for: (a) the initial request (but if filed annually on a continual long-term basis, then provide the date of the most recent request only), (b) any renewal requests, (c) any Commission authorizations, and (d) any anticipated renewal requests.
- 2. For any authorized deferrals not yet subject to amortization, please provide the current deferred balance, confirm when NW Natural anticipates that total deferred costs will be known, and indicate when the company anticipates requesting amortization. Additionally, for each authorized deferral not yet subject to amortization, confirm whether the company proposes amortization in this proceeding, and explain why or why not.
- 3. For any authorized deferrals currently subject to amortization, identify where such costs are being amortized.

NW Natural is directed to file responses by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 2022. The parties may file replies by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 26, 2022.

Dated this 27th day of December, 2021, at Salem, Oregon.

Alison Lackey Administrative Law Judge