

March 11, 2021

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,

The Beaverton Climate Action Plan, adopted in November 2019, established a community-wide target of a 100% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, with a sub goal of net zero emissions from fossil gas by 2040. To achieve that target, increased access renewable energy, combined with improved options to offset emissions from non-renewables will be essential.

Today the City of Beaverton writes in in support of Northwest Natural's proposal to modify its Smart Energy Program commercial customer class option. This proposed change would provide a pathway to increase green energy participation among Beaverton's commercial and industrial consumers of natural gas – of which the city as an organization is counted among.

We appreciate your consideration of this proposal and support its approval.

Sincerely,

Scott Keller

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