Transportation Energy Efficiency Program Update

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NW Natural Transportation Customers

Transportation customers are gas customers that purchase their own gas wholesale and pay NW Natural to transport it to their site via the Company's system.

They're typically large industrial facilities, but there is a smaller subsect of commercial transportation customers. The 10 biggest transport users in Oregon make up roughly 64% of NW Natural's Oregon transportation load.

Program Development Context



- Climate Protection Program (CPP) requires a 50% reduction in NW Natural's customer emissions by 2035. NW Natural is responsible for the natural gas emissions of all transport customers.
- NW Natural has been engaging in information gathering work regarding the potential for energy efficiency and carbon reduction at these sites.
- In NW Natural's most recent Integrated Resource Plan, staff recommended a stakeholder group be convened to establish a transportation customer energy efficiency program in time to be able to report on its status in 2024.
- Two stakeholder workshops were held in July and August.
- A survey was sent out to transportation customers.

Program Structure



Energy Trust Offerings

- All transportation customers will be able to participate in Energy Trust's Strategic Energy Management (SEM) program and leverage Standard Track offerings.
- Transportation customers with 5-year average annual usage under 1 million therms will be eligible for Energy Trust's custom program.

NW Natural Offerings:

• For customers with an average annual usage great than 1 million therms, NW Natural will hire an implementer to conduct studies to look at energy efficiency opportunities alongside hydrogen and carbon capture projects.

Progress Update – Energy Trust **NW Notural**[®] Collaboration

- NW Natural filed a petition for a partial waiver of OAR 860-086-0040 on September 27th, 2023.
 - Once petition is acknowledged NW Natural will be able to send transportation customer data to Energy Trust.
- Legal teams are reviewing data sharing agreements and funding contracts.
- Once Energy Trust has customer specific data, they will be able to update their savings forecasts and budgets.
- Targeting having agreements in place for SEM cohort in January with the full program offerings being available mid-year 2024.

Progress Update – NW Natural



- NW Natural is drafting an RFP for an implementation contractor which is in final review stages.
- A program tariff for transportation energy efficiency is being developed.
- NW Natural is working on customer notification materials to provide both awareness around data sharing and inform of program development.



Questions/Feedback

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