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**Re: UG 490 – Application of NW Natural for a General Rate Revision
Notice of Publication and Tear Sheets**

In compliance with OAR 860-022-0017(4), Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (NW Natural or Company), submits the attached declaration attesting that notice has been given of the above-referenced filing. Affidavits or Declarations of Publication and tear sheets from the major newspapers in the Company's Oregon service territory are also attached.¹

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (503) 610-7074.

Respectfully,

/s/ Natasha Siores

Natasha Siores
Senior Manager, Regulatory Compliance

Attachments

¹ *The Oregonian* (Portland); *Statesman Journal* (Salem); *The Register-Guard* (Eugene); and *The World* (Coos Bay).

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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UG 490

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY dba NW Natural

Application for a General Rate Revision

**DECLARATION OF
ERICA LEE-PELLA**

I, Erica Lee-Pella, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Oregon:

1. My name is Erica Lee-Pella. I am employed by Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (NW Natural or Company), as a Rates and Regulatory Specialist. My business address is 250 SW Taylor Street, Portland, Oregon, 97204.
2. I do hereby attest notice has been given that NW Natural has filed a request for general rate revision in docket UG 490, dated December 29, 2023.
3. Attached to this declaration are the tear sheets of the notice as published by the four major newspapers in the Company's Oregon service territory, with accompanying Affidavits or Declarations of Publication from each said notice, titled "NW Natural Files General Rate Case in Oregon," being duly published in *The Oregonian* (4.92" column wide by 14" column tall, one-half vertical), *Statesman Journal* (4.92" column wide by 10.7" column tall, modular size), *The Register-Guard* (4.91" column wide by 10" column tall), and in *The World* (4.93" column wide by 10.5" column tall, one-fourth page) on January 12, 2024.

I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I understand it is made for use as evidence before the Public Utility Commission of Oregon and is subject to penalty for perjury.

Signed this 24th day of January 2024 in Portland, Oregon.

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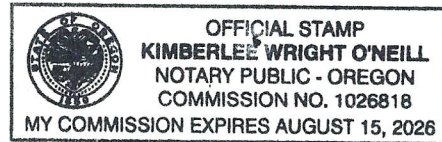
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WINTER WEATHER

Snow is likely, but how much?

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home Friday night. Surfaces should take a while to cool down to allow snow to stick, Burling said.

Friday night: That snow should start sticking later in the evening, Burling said, between 7 and 9 p.m. roughly.

"There is a caveat," he said, which is that some models predict the snow will stop in the evening for some time. As of now, the National Weather Service is not certain how much snow will stay on the ground mainly because it is unclear how much will come down on Friday night.

One thing that is clear? It will be cold.

"Friday night at PDX we have a low of 14 degrees," Burling said.

Saturday: If Friday night is expected to be cold, Saturday might be even colder. The high in Portland on Saturday currently stands at 19 degrees, with winds out of the Columbia River Gorge.

"We have some guidance showing Saturday potentially being the bigger day for snow," Burling said.

Burling said the National Weather Service was expecting "amounts most likely ranging from 1 to 3 inches" from Friday night through Saturday afternoon.

"But," he added, "we do have some potential to go possibly significantly higher than that."

There is, he said, a "20 to 25% chance for amounts above 4 inches."

Saturday evening: At this point, Portland "could have some showers lingering into the evening" on Saturday, Burling said, but by Sunday morning, the precipitation is expected to stop.

The cold, however, will hang on. For a while.

Sunday: Sunday should be "dry and cold," Burling said, with a high of 29 degrees. That will mean any snow stays on the ground.

TEMPORARY WINTER SHELTERS

In preparation for the Portland area's first storm of the winter, Clackamas County opened a temporary winter shelter Thursday night, with snow likely to begin Friday in the Portland area, according to the National Weather Service. The weather service is anticipating freezing temperatures with overnight lows in the teens this weekend.

Father's Heart Street Ministry, at 603 12th St. in Oregon City, will open at 6 p.m. Thursday, Clackamas County officials said. Their doors will remain open to anyone seeking respite from the cold through 7 a.m. Monday. Service pets on leash or in carriers are welcome.

Multnomah and Washington counties will announce their severe weather shelter hours and locations Friday morning, officials said.

Multnomah County began increased outreach to homeless individuals on Tuesday and has partnered with local homelessness nonprofits and agencies to distribute cold weather gear, including clothes, tents and sleeping bags.

Nicole Hayden

Next week: "We really don't see temperatures climbing above freezing until Tuesday afternoon," Burling said, "so whatever snow we get will stick around."

Travel, he noted, could be difficult through the early part of the week.

After Tuesday? Another system is probably coming through.

"The concern as we get into next week would be freezing rain," Burling said. But, he added, "We really haven't even begun to get into any sort of detail on that other than to say it does look like a possibility based on that pattern."

Time to prepare for a cold string of days.

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TRANSPORTATION

Get ready for 6 weeks of MAX work

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The Oregonian/OregonLive

Work on a major portion of the TriMet Better Red Project will disrupt MAX Blue, Green, and Red Line service and close several stations beginning Sunday, Jan 14 and continuing into late February.

Gateway Transit Center will be closed to MAX trains during the work and the Red Line will be suspended during that time.

MAX train disruptions include:

- ▶ MAX Blue Line – Running only between Hatfield Government Center and NE 7th Ave., and East 102nd Ave and Cleveland Ave. Trains will arrive about every 15 minutes throughout most of the day.
- ▶ MAX Green Line – Running only between Clackamas Town Center and SE Main St. These will be single-car trains due to the shortened travel distance, arriving every 15 minutes.
- ▶ MAX Red Line – Suspended. Riders should choose other trains or use shuttle buses.

Riders heading to the Portland International Airport from the west should board a MAX Blue Line train then take a shuttle bus from Northeast Seventh to the Gate-

way Transit Center. At Gateway riders will transfer to a different shuttle bus to access the airport. Shuttle buses will depart every 15 minutes.

Shuttle buses will be serving closed stations along Interstate 84 and trips may take an extra hour in some cases. Travelers should factor in plenty of extra time. Use the TriMet trip planner tool to estimate time.

When the work is completed, it will bring an end to a major part of the overall project, and feature a new station: Gateway North. This new station will serve inbound Red Line trains and relieve bottlenecks through the busy Gateway area. MAX trains will also be able to use the new bridges that have been built over freight train tracks and Interstate 205 in the area.

Other work during the closure includes adding about a mile of new track near PDX, and improving systems near Gateway Transit Center.

Travelers should factor in more time for their trips or consider alternate methods to reach their destinations.

For more information on TriMet's "A Better Red Project" visit the project page: trimet.org/betterred.

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Oregon AG to appeal finding on gun laws



Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum on Wednesday filed a notice of intent to appeal a Harney County judge's ruling that Measure 114 is unconstitutional. STATESMAN JOURNAL FILE

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Oregon's attorney general and other top elected officials filed notice that they will appeal a lower court's ruling this week that the ballot measure approving some of the strictest gun laws in the country is unconstitutional.

The state had 30 days after Tuesday's filing of a final opinion by Harney County Judge Robert Raschio, who determined Ballot Measure 114 can't be enforced, to file the intent to the state's Court of Appeals.

The notice Wednesday by Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum is the latest in a series of legal wrangling that have prevented the law from being enforced since it was passed by voters in November 2022.

"We look forward to defending Measure 114 in the Oregon Court of Appeals," Rosenblum said in a statement. "The Oregon Constitution does not prevent Oregon voters from adopting these sensible and effective

gun safety laws.

"Similar measures elsewhere have saved lives, and there is every reason to believe Measure 114 would save lives in Oregon," she said. "We will be asking the Court of Appeals to allow Measure 114 to take effect while the state's appeal proceeds and to expedite its review of these important laws."

The law, which was approved by voters by a slim margin, requires permits, photo ID, fingerprints, safety training and a criminal background check to purchase a gun and prohibits magazines that hold more than 10 rounds of ammunition.

Raschio issued an initial ruling in November following a week-long trial in September.

A three-judge panel of Court of Appeals judges will consider the briefs that are filed in the case and decide if the case has merits to hold oral arguments.

The state's Court of Appeals hears an average of more 2,700 cases each year.

Crisis

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2022 to June 2023, a 28% increase compared to 2022. Youth in the state are increasingly at risk with some research showing Oregon's drug-induced death rate growing 550% from 2018 to 2022 in 15 to 19-year-olds.

Auditors' suggestions on changes to Measure 110

Representatives from the Oregon Secretary of State office discussed the office's Measure 110 audit released last month which showed lagging provider spending and the need for additional data before its measure of Measure 110's effectiveness.

Two-thirds through the initial grant period, Behavioral Health Resource Networks, the entities receiving Measure 110 funding to provide substance use services, has spent just over a third of those awards. The good news about that, said Secretary of State Audit Manager Ian Green, is that despite decreased cannabis tax revenues, \$55 million of unspent funds can be carried over to the next grant period.

Green also told lawmakers there is a need for more and better data to measure the effectiveness of Measure 110.

"In the third audit (due by the end of the year in 2025), we're required to look at these outcome measures however currently only about half of the data elements are being adequately addressed," Green said.

Auditors were particularly concerned with the lack of baseline data to calculate whether the measure increased access to substance use services as intended. Some of the data needed wasn't being collected before passage of the ballot measure, he explained.

Green also told lawmakers they were suggesting legislative action to eliminate the requirement for a 24-hour Measure 110 hotline.

"Few people are calling the hotline and as a result, it costs over \$7,000 per call," Green said.

The hotline contractor was paid \$1.7 million through June 2023. A new contractor through January of 2025 will be paid \$2.8 million and Green suggested using the money for different services.

Green said the audits division suggested lawmakers revise outcome metrics for its next audit to address available data or direct the Oregon Health Authority to collect additional necessary data. Green said the OHA would present a draft plan in February to ad-

dress outcome metrics.

Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission recommendations

The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission repeated grim statistics about the state's failure to curb drug addiction. In 2020, the ADPC set a benchmark goal for the state to reduce drug overdoses from 12.4 per 100,000 people in 2017 to 10.4 or less per 100,000 by 2025.

In 2022, the rate soared to 31.1 deaths per 100,000. The rates were even higher in people of color: 46.6 per 100,000 in 2021 to 85 per 100,000 in 2022 among American Indian or Alaska Native Oregonians and 33.6 per 100,000 in 2018 to 78.3 per 100,000 in 2022 among Black or African American Oregonians.

The agency suggested steps in prevention, treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and youth-specific interventions.

Among their 14 recommendations were:

- Substance use prevention coordinators in every state county and Tribe

- Increasing access to medications for opioid use disorder by addressing policy and payor barriers, funding mobile units for methadone treatment, and introducing medications in all "system entry points" such as emergency departments or residential facilities.

- Developing and funding a statewide strategy for naloxone purchase and distribution

- More syringe service programs

- Funding to work on a youth-specific substance use disorder plan by 2025

Rep. Charlie Conrad, R-Dexter, and Rep. Lisa Reynolds, D-Beaverton, advocated for more youth drug prevention. Reynolds, a pediatrician,

said youth are not "little adults" but instead need "tailored responses."

Lawmakers react

Lincoln County Circuit Court Judge Sheryl Bachart spoke alongside Oregon Judicial Department administrator Amy Miller and Criminal Justice Commission executive director Ken Sancha-grin about the states' specialty courts and their work.

Treatment courts reduce recidivism, Miller said. In 2022, 93% of drug court program graduates had zero reinvolvement with the justice department, according to Miller's presentation.

Lawmakers Wednesday also introduced three legislative concepts as placeholders before full language is developed. They did not discuss the details of the concepts further during Wednesday's meeting although the Oregonian reported that at least one proposal that could be introduced in February would make possession of small amounts of drugs class C misdemeanors unless the person turns to substance use disorder services.

"Today was a snapshot of what we're working on," Rep. Jason Kropf, D-Bend, said Wednesday. "We started this very process with talk about prevention and we've come back to that."

In a statement, Kropf said lawmakers could agree on a need for a range of services along the continuum of care, and immediate and long-term solutions.

"Everyone's pathway to recovery looks different, we need to make sure our system offers a variety of entry points, many of which already exist but need to be strengthened," he said.

Co-chair Senate Majority Leader Kate Lieber, D-Portland, said she was glad prevention was dis-

cussed.

"Stopping Oregonians, especially our kids, from taking these drugs in the first place is one of the most effective things we can do. We'll never be able to afford the system we need without it," Lieber said.

Republicans were more critical, however.

"Measure 110 is a failure on many fronts, but today's hearing confirmed that it directs too few of its resources to prevention and recovery," Rep. Christine Goodwin, R-Canyonville, said in advocating for "top to bottom" reform of the measure.

Goodwin is a cosponsor of a bill, currently titled Legislative Concept 61, filed this week that classifies possession of drugs such as fentanyl, heroin and meth as a Class A misdemeanor. The bill also would mandate treatment to avoid jail time and require evaluation and treatment for probation in certain drug and property crimes.

Public use of drugs would be prohibited and drug dealers and manufacturers would be required to serve prison time.

Republican House Leader Jeff Helfrich, R-Hood River, a co-sponsor on the proposal, on Wednesday labeled Measure 110 a "failure."

"While the majority party talks endlessly about drug prevention, their policies opened the floodgates to drug access. Failing to end Measure 110 is to embrace the status quo of death, drugs, and decline. The people of Oregon have seen enough. House Republicans are answering their call for substantial, meaningful reforms to get drugs off the streets, put drug dealers behind bars, and get addicts into treatment. The legislature must deliver this short session by passing our bill," said Helfrich in a statement Thursday.

Other sponsors include Rep. Rick Lewis, R-Silverton, Rep. Tracy Cramer, R-Gervais, Rep.

Kevin Mannix, R-Salem and Rep. Ed Diehl, R-Stayton.

But a coalition including the ACLU of Oregon, Drug Policy Alliance, Health Justice Recovery Alliance, Unite Oregon and other advocates, urged lawmakers to stay the course.

Recriminalization will harm Oregonians, they warned in a statement.

"Any action by the Oregon legislature that criminalizes addiction would be cruel, harmful, and a failure of leadership. We cannot regress back to the failed war on drug tactics that harm Black, brown, and poor people and make drug addiction, overdose deaths, and homelessness more difficult and expensive to solve," their statement said.

The coalition said lawmakers should focus on accessible and sufficient addiction treatment, mental health services, housing and education.

The short legislative session begins Feb. 5.

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Takeaways from Haley, DeSantis debate

Trump holds town hall as competitors slug it out

Joey Garrison and David Jackson
USA TODAY

With just days to go before the first vote of the Republican presidential primary, former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley and Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis slugged it out Wednesday on one stage – while the front-runner, former President Donald Trump, chatted with a friendly crowd on another.

Trump maintains a massive polling lead in Iowa – between 30 and 40 percentage points in most surveys. But both Haley and DeSantis are hungry to become the leading alternative for the GOP nomination. A strong second-place finish in Iowa could keep DeSantis afloat or give Haley much-needed momentum.

The tension showed. “You’re just so desperate,” Haley told DeSantis during one heated exchange at Drake University in Des Moines. In return, DeSantis accused

Haley of “ballistic podiatry” because she keeps “shooting herself in the foot.”

Distractions to the final GOP debate came from two places: Trump’s Fox News town hall across town, and former New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie’s announcement in New Hampshire that he was suspending his campaign.

Narrower field leads to heated confrontations

With the debate stage whittled down to two candidates for the first time, Haley and DeSantis swung at each other early and often.

The two butted heads and fact-checks on almost every issue: their positions on Social Security and raising the retirement age, whether Haley delivered on school choice, the gas tax, transgender rights, welcoming Chinese businesses to their states and Russia’s war in Ukraine. As in previous debates, the arguments seemed to ignore Trump’s enduring lead in the polls.

Haley accused DeSantis of lying about his record. DeSantis questioned Haley’s willingness to go to bat for conservative causes, saying, “We don’t need another mealy-mouthed politician that tells you what she thinks you want to hear to get your vote.”

When Haley criticized DeSantis’ campaign spending, the Florida governor fired back by calling her comments a “great window into her leadership” because she’s “focused on a lot of political process stuff, things that no voter cares about.”

They did have some common ground on how to handle undocumented immigrants – namely, keep and kick them out.

Haley, the child of immigrant parents, said she supports deporting all 11 million immigrants who are in the U.S. illegally, “because they’re cutting the line. You’ve got people who have done this and are trying to do through the right way.”

DeSantis, who as governor has used state dollars to send undocumented immigrants to other states, said immigration laws must be enforced. “The number of people that will be amnestied when I’m president is zero,” DeSantis said.

Another commonality: Neither seemed to make a direct appeal to Christie supporters.

Christie disparaged both DeSantis and Haley in his announcement, and said he would not endorse any of the remaining candidates.

Dodging ‘character’ question

Indeed, both debaters stayed far away from Christie’s central case that Trump represents an existential threat to the Republican Party and the



Republican presidential candidates Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley swung at each other early and often in the CNN debate at Drake University Wednesday in Des Moines, Iowa. CHIP SOMODEVILLA/GETTY IMAGES

country.

Neither answered directly when moderator Jake Tapper of CNN asked whether Trump has the “moral character” to be president.

Haley repeated her lines that Trump was the “right president at the right time” but that the country needed a “new generation” of Republican leadership. She said she agreed with many of his policies but had a different personality: “I don’t have vendettas. I don’t take things personally. For me, it’s very much about no drama, no whining and getting results.”

DeSantis, also repeating past refrains, said Trump failed to deliver on some of his biggest promises, and cast himself as the guy who can actually deliver on Republican priorities. “He said he was going to build the wall and have Mexico pay

for it. He did not deliver that,” DeSantis said. “He said he was going to drain the swamp. He did not deliver that.”

That said, Haley gave her most forceful condemnation yet of Trump’s efforts to overturn the 2020 election. “Biden won,” she said. “Jan. 6 was a terrible day and I think President Trump will have to answer for it.”

DeSantis didn’t go nearly as far as Haley but argued that Trump’s legal problems over the next year could doom Republicans’ chances.

Both candidates said they disagreed with the argument from Trump’s lawyers this week that presidents are immune from criminal prosecution.

Entertaining a friendly room

Trump, on the other

hand, had no qualms about attacking the debaters and President Joe Biden. He attacked Haley as unqualified and brushed aside the possibility that most of Christie’s vote might go to her in New Hampshire, saying, “I’m not exactly worried about it.” He cited Christie’s hot-mic comment about Haley that she is “gonna get smoked ... she’s not up to this.”

Trump is now suggesting that DeSantis should drop out if he doesn’t do well in Iowa Monday, saying, “A lot of people say he’s leaving the race after Iowa, because he’s doing so poorly.”

The town hall featured some of Trump’s new big hits. As if to mock his opponents, Trump repeated his claim that he wants to be a dictator – but only “for one day,” to stop illegal border crossings and expand energy production. At one point, Trump appeared to pull back from his threats of “retribution,” saying he wouldn’t have time for it. Seconds later, he added a caveat: “Hopefully, I won’t have time.”

Trump did not dispute a recent report from House Democrats that his businesses made nearly \$8 million from foreign governments during his administration. Indeed, he seemed to take it as a point of pride.

That’s “a small amount of money,” Trump said, and besides he has the “best hotels ... I don’t get \$8 million for doing nothing!”

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in Myrtle Point, Coquille and Bandon.

"The reason it's called a point in time count is because it occurs on one specific night at the end of January," said Erik Schirmer, project manager with the Homeless Response Office in Coos County.

"That number then determines the amount of federal funds available to local organizations in the form of grants from HUD," he said.

These counts are conducted by a Continuum of Care, local or regional planning organizations that receive federal funding and work to coordinate efforts to end homelessness. They rely on groups of volunteers to conduct the count.

Oregon Coast Community Action and The Homeless Response Office in Coos County are leading the event, but organizers say it is a community effort.

"The number of different organizations that are all coming together in order to do this is truly astounding," said Schirmer.

"There are so many organizations involved, including faith-based organizations. It's a pretty incredible coordinated event to have all of these different entities working together," he said.

Schirmer said this is a testament to how many people in the community care about the issue of homelessness. Oregon has one of the highest rates of homelessness, and the governor has declared a state of emergency due to homelessness.

Those involved in the Point-in-Time count said they strive to get as accurate of data as possible, because the results they get directly correlates with the amount of funds the community will receive to provide resources.

Coordinators use a specific methodology and training to carry out the Point-In-Time Count. They start by going to places where resources or services are being provided.

"We have several counting locations where unhoused people tend to show up, like at the Devereux Center in Coos Bay. Then, we try to time those with places where services are being provided such as food banks. Volunteers will be staffing those locations and interviewing people as they show up," Schirmer said.

"The other piece (of the Point-In-Time Count) is what we call the brush count, where a select group of volunteers actually head out and hike through the woods to the various homeless camp locations and conduct interviews there,"



Above: Volunteers Dorene Dalton, right, and Jay Brown walk along a trail Wednesday at Rooke-Higgins County Park as they look to document the homeless population during the annual Point-in-Time count in Coos Bay.

he said.

Volunteers collect demographic information from those who are experiencing homelessness. This year, volunteers are being provided with training prior to the event.

"We've always asked people to be courteous, be kind, be respectful, don't conduct the interview like an inter-



Jake and Kelly, left, check in Wednesday with volunteers during the annual Point In Time count at Mingus Park in Coos Bay. Volunteers throughout the county interviewed the homeless in their communities and doled out food and supplies during the event.

rogation... things like that. But for the group of people who head out into the woods, we always make sure that there is someone that's done that before," Schirmer said.

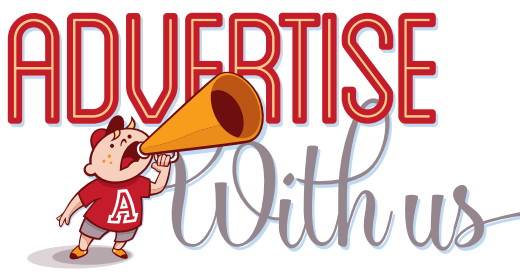
"We have a group of people who have done

the brush count over several years and have a great deal of experience with that. We also often recruit someone who is unhoused or recently unhoused in the community to go with us as well," he said.

The information

received from the Point-In-Time Count gets fed into a big database and submitted to HUD (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development).

"The biggest thing that makes the count go is volunteers," Schirmer



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NW NATURAL FILES GENERAL RATE CASE IN OREGON

NW Natural filed a general rate increase with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (OPUC) on December 29, 2023. The request is for an overall net revenue increase of about 16.6%, or an additional \$154.9 million for NW Natural. The proposed increase will cover costs associated with operating and maintaining the company's natural gas distribution system and continuing to provide safe and reliable service to customers.

HOW MUCH WILL MY GAS BILL CHANGE?

If the current request is approved as filed, residential customers using an average of 55 therms per month would see a monthly bill increase of about \$14.38.

WHEN WOULD IT TAKE EFFECT?

The filing will not affect customer bills this winter, but if approved by the OPUC will likely take effect Nov. 1, 2024. Note: While NW Natural is providing general information about our proposal and its effect on customers, the calculations and statements are not binding on the Commission.

WHY IS THE COMPANY MAKING THIS REQUEST?

The request is a necessary step in NW Natural's regulatory process to recover costs associated with investments that strengthen and reinforce the natural gas system, provide necessary system maintenance and operational resiliency, and update and modernize technology. The requested rate change is subject to review by the OPUC and is not binding on the Commission.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS FILING?

Copies of the filing are available for inspection at NW Natural's main office and at nwnatural.com. For more information about the filing, or notice of the time and place of any hearing, contact NW Natural or the Commission at:

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Sheriff Gabe Fabrizio visits with K9 Cena at the sheriff's office.

Foundation awards Coos County Sheriff's Office K9 Program a \$1,000 grant

The Coos County Sheriff's Office K-9 Program recently submitted a grant application to "The Emma Loves Dogs Foundation."

On December 12, the K9 program was picked as the 9th recipient of a \$1,000 grant as part of their 12-day-of-Christmas giveaway. These funds will go towards training, re-certification costs, and overall maintenance of the Sheriff's Office K9's Poe and Cena.

The Coos County Sheriff's Office is 100% community and grant funded. If you would like to donate to the pups, please see below.

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