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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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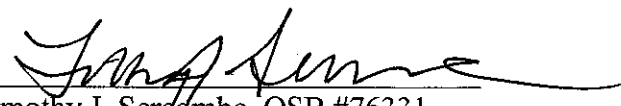
In the Matter of the Petition of Northwest
Natural Gas Company For a Declaratory Ruling
Pursuant to ORS 756.450 Regarding Whether
Joint Bypass by Two or More Industrial
Customers Violates ORS 758.400 *Et Seq.*

STIPULATED MOTION

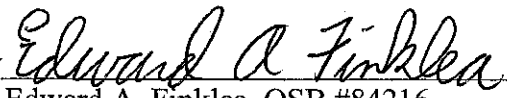
NW Natural, the State of Oregon, Wah Chang, and Northwest Industrial Gas Users, by and through their attorneys of record as set out herein or in the attached stipulation, move the Administrative Law Judge for a change in the briefing schedule. The requested change is to extend the time for response briefs from September 29, 2005 to November 10, 2005 (an extension of six weeks). The reason for the extension is to allow time for continued settlement discussions between the parties, the outcome of which might affect the remand proceedings.

DATED this 12th day of September, 2005.

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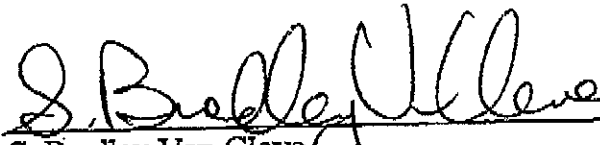
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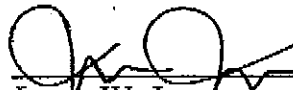
On behalf of Oregon Steel Mills, I consent to an extension of time requested by Northwest natural Gas in which to extend the time for response briefs from September 29, 2005 to November 10, 2005 (an extension of six weeks). This extension request is to allow time for continued settlement discussion between the parties, the outcome of which might affect the remand proceedings.

Dated this 10th day of September, 2005.


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On behalf of the State of Oregon, I consent to an extension of time requested by Northwest natural Gas in which to extend the time for response briefs from September 29, 2005 to November 10, 2005 (an extension of six weeks). This extension request is to allow time for continued settlement discussion between the parties, the outcome of which might affect the remand proceedings.

Dated this 13th day of September, 2005.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on September 13, 2005, I served the foregoing **STIPULATED MOTION** on the parties listed below, by mailing, postage prepaid, a true, complete and correct copy by U.S. mail and electronic mail.

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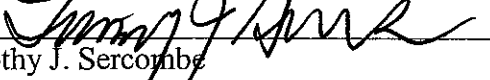
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