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Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
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**Re: UM 2132 - NW Natural's Application to Defer Start-Up Costs Associated with Horizon 1 Project; Motion to Admit Comprehensive Stipulation, Joint Testimony and Exhibit**

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, encloses for filing in this docket the following documents:

- A motion to admit the Comprehensive Stipulation, Joint Testimony and Exhibit.
- Witness declarations of Kyle Walker, Mitchell Moore, William Gehrke, and Bradley Mullins.

Please address correspondence on this matter to me with copies to the following:

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If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Eric W. Nelsen*

Eric W. Nelsen  
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NW Natural

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON  
UM 2132**

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

For Authorization to Defer Certain Start-  
Up Costs Associated with Horizon 1  
Pursuant to ORS 757.259

**NW NATURAL'S MOTION TO ADMIT  
COMPREHENSIVE STIPULATION,  
JOINT TESTIMONY AND EXHIBIT**

1 Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (NW Natural or the  
2 Company), on behalf of the parties to the Comprehensive Stipulation filed in this  
3 docket on July 2, 2021, namely NW Natural, Staff of the Public Utility Commission of  
4 Oregon (Staff), the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (CUB), and Alliance of Western  
5 Energy Consumers (AWEC) (collectively, Stipulating Parties), hereby moves for the  
6 admission of the Comprehensive Stipulation, NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/100 (Joint  
7 Testimony in Support of Comprehensive Stipulation) and NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/101  
8 (AWEC's witness qualification) into the record as evidence in this proceeding and  
9 respectfully requests a Commission decision adopting the Comprehensive Stipulation.  
10 See OAR 860-001-0350(7)(b).

11 NW Natural has consulted with the Stipulating Parties and the Stipulating  
12 Parties support this Motion. The declarations of witnesses Kyle Walker, Mitchell  
13 Moore, William Gehrke, and Brad Mullins attest to the truthfulness of their joint  
14 testimony. The declarations are attached to this motion.

1 DATED this 23rd day of July, 2021.

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

/s/ Eric W. Nelsen

Eric W. Nelsen (OSB# 192566)

Attorney for Northwest Natural Gas  
Company

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DECLARATION OF  
Kyle Walker

1 I, Kyle Walker, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of  
2 Oregon:

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- 4 1. My name is Kyle Walker. I am employed by Northwest Natural Gas Company  
5 dba NW Natural (NW Natural or Company) as a Rates and Regulatory Manager.  
6 My business address is 250 SW Taylor Street, Portland, Oregon, 97204.  
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  - 8 2. On behalf of NW Natural, I jointly drafted the testimony in support of the  
9 stipulation for use in this docket as follows: NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/100.  
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  - 11 3. To the best of my knowledge, the joint testimony is true and accurate.  
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13 I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and  
14 belief and that I understand my testimony will be used as evidence before the Public  
15 Utility Commission of Oregon and is subject to penalty for perjury.  
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17 Signed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2021.  
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20 */s/ Kyle Walker*

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22 Rates & Regulatory Manager  
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DECLARATION OF  
Mitchell Moore

1 I, Mitchell Moore, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of  
2 Oregon:

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- 4 1. My name is Mitchell Moore. I am employed as a Senior Utility Analyst in the  
5 Energy Rates, Finance and Audit Division of the Public Utility Commission of  
6 Oregon. My business address is 201 High Street SE, Suite 100, Salem, Oregon  
7 97301.
  - 8
  - 9 2. On behalf of Staff, I jointly drafted the testimony in support of the stipulation for  
10 use in this docket as follows: NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/100.
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  - 12 3. To the best of my knowledge, the joint testimony is true and accurate.
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14 I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and  
15 belief and that I understand my testimony will be used as evidence before the Public  
16 Utility Commission of Oregon and is subject to penalty for perjury.

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18 Signed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2021.

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21 /s/ Mitchell Moore  
22 Mitchell Moore  
23 Senior Utility Analyst  
24 Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
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DECLARATION OF  
William Gehrke

1 I, William Gehrke, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of  
2 Oregon:

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- 4 1. My name is William Gehrke. I am employed by Oregon Citizens' Utility Board  
5 (CUB) as an Economist. My business address is 610 SW Broadway, Suite 400,  
6 Portland, Oregon 97205.
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- 8 2. On behalf of CUB, I jointly drafted the testimony in support of the stipulation for  
9 use in this docket as follows: NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/100.
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- 11 3. To the best of my knowledge, the joint testimony is true and accurate.
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13 I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and  
14 belief and that I understand my testimony will be used as evidence before the Public  
15 Utility Commission of Oregon and is subject to penalty for perjury.

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17 Signed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2021.

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21 William Gehrke  
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DECLARATION OF  
Bradley G. Mullins

1 I, Bradley G. Mullins, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of  
2 Oregon:

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- 4 1. My name is Bradley G. Mullins. I am a Consultant for MW Analytics, an  
5 independent consulting firm representing the Alliance of Western Energy  
6 Consumers (AWEC) in this case. My business address is Vihiluoto 15,  
7 Fin-90440 Kempele, Finland.  
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  - 9 2. On behalf of AWEC, I jointly drafted the testimony in support of the stipulation for  
10 use in this docket as follows: NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/100. I provided exhibit  
11 NWN-Staff-CUB-AWEC/101 as my witness qualification.  
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  - 13 3. To the best of my knowledge, the joint testimony and exhibit are true and accurate.  
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15 I hereby declare that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge and  
16 belief and that I understand my testimony will be used as evidence before the Public  
17 Utility Commission of Oregon and is subject to penalty for perjury.

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19 Signed this 21 day of July, 2021.  
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