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May 6, 2005

Attention: Filing Center
Oregon Public Utility Commission
550 Capitol Street NE, Suite 215
Salem, OR 97301-2551

Re: In the Matter of Northwest Natural Petition to Commence Investigation,
Docket UG 163

Enclosed for filing is an original of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation's Petition to Intervene in the above docket.

If there are any questions regarding this filing please contact me at (206) 381-6823.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon T. Stoltz", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Jon T. Stoltz
Sr. Vice President
Regulatory & Gas Supply

Enclosures

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UG163

In the Matter of)
Northwest Natural) **PETITION TO INTERVENE**
Petition to Commence Investigation)
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Pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 860-013-0021, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or the Company) petitions to intervene in this proceeding. In support of this Petition, Cascade provides the following:

- a) The name and address of the Company is:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
222 Fairview Avenue North
Seattle, WA 98109

- b) The names and addresses of the persons to be included on the official service list in this proceeding are:

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- c) Cascade is a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- d) In Docket UG163 Northwest Natural petitioned the Commission to commence an investigation on the issue of whether to continue the Northwest's Decoupling tariff subsequent to September 30, 2005. As an investor-owned natural gas distribution company serving portions of central and eastern Oregon, Cascade has an interest in this proceeding. Policies and decisions made by the Commission in this proceeding may affect Cascade.
- e) Cascade intends to raise issues appropriate to the proceeding.

- f) Because of Cascade's perspective as a regulated, investor-owned utility, Cascade can assist the Commission in resolving the issues herein.

Accordingly, the Company's Petition to Intervene should be granted.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon T. Stolz", written over a horizontal line.

Jon T. Stolz
Sr. Vice President-Regulatory & Gas Supply
Cascade Natural Gas Corporation

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have caused to be served the foregoing **CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION'S PETITION TO INTERVENE** in OPUC Docket No. UG163 by mailing a copy by First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed, to the persons shown on the attached Service List.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2005



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