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June 28, 2022

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Public Utility Commission of Oregon Attention: Filing Center 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 Post Office Box 1088 Salem, Oregon 97308-1088

RE: UM 1101: Application for Reauthorization to Defer Costs Associated with Intervenor Funding Grants

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural ("NW Natural" or "Company"), herewith files an Application for Reauthorization ("Application") to defer costs pursuant to provisions of ORS 757.259 for Intervenor Funding Grants.

A notice concerning this Application will be sent to all parties are participating in the Company's current consolidated general rate case, UG 435/UG 411. A copy of the notice and a certificate of service are attached to the Application.

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

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If you have any questions, please call me at (503) 610-7051.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kyle Walker, CPA

Kyle Walker, CPA Rates/Regulatory Manager

Attachments

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UM 1101

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba, NW NATURAL

For Reauthorization to Defer Certain Expenses or Revenues Pursuant to ORS 757.259

APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION TO DEFER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH INTERVENOR FUNDING GRANTS

- In accordance with ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300, Northwest Natural

 Gas Company ("NW Natural" or the "Company") files this application with the Public

 Utility Commission of Oregon (the "Commission") requesting an order reauthorizing

 the Company to record and defer the cost of intervenor funding grants provided to

 qualifying organizations pursuant to the provisions of ORS 757.259(3) for future

 amortization in rates. This request is for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30,

 2023.
- 8 In support of this Application, NW Natural states:
- 9 A. NW Natural.
- 10 NW Natural is a public utility in the State of Oregon and is subject to the
- 11 jurisdiction of the Commission regarding rates, service, and accounting practices.
- 12 NW Natural provides retail natural gas service in the States of Oregon and
- 13 Washington.

1	B. Statutory Authority.
2	ORS 757.072(2) authorizes the Commission to approve written agreements
3	for intervenor funding grants between electric and natural gas utilities and qualifying
4	organizations representing broad customer interests. Such grants are used by these
5	qualifying organizations when participating in regulatory proceedings before the
6	Commission. ORS 757.072(3) authorizes the Commission to establish rules with
7	respect to funding agreements for determining which organizations are eligible for
8	financial assistance, the amount of assistance that may be provided, the manner in
9	which assistance will be distributed, and other necessary administrative matters.
10	Moreover, ORS 757.072(4) provides:
11 12 13 14 15 16	"The commission shall allow a public utility that provides financial assistance under this section to recover the amounts so provided in rates. The commission shall allow a public utility to defer inclusion of those amounts in rates as provided in ORS 757.259 if the public utility so elects."
17 18	ORS 757.259(3) provides:
19 20 21 22 23	"Upon request of the public utility, the commission by order shall allow deferral of amounts provided as financial assistance under an agreement entered into under ORS 757.072 for later incorporation in rates."
24	Additionally, the Company notes that deferred amounts under ORS 757.259(3) are
25	not subject to the percentage of gross revenues limitation on amortization or other
26	provisions of subsections (5), (6), (7), (8), or (10) of ORS 757.259.
27	C. Background of Request for Reauthorization.
28	On July 2, 2003, pursuant to Section 2 of the Intervenor Funding Act, the

Commission issued Order No. 03-388, which, among other things, approved the

1	Intervenor Funding Agreement among NW Natural, Portland General Electric,
2	PacifiCorp, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, Avista Corporation, Industrial
3	Customers of Northwest Utilities ("ICNU"), Citizens' Utility Board ("CUB"), Northwest
4	Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") (collectively referred to hereafter as "Joint Parties")
5	dated February 5, 2003. The Intervenor Funding Agreement set forth the amount of
6	funding to be contributed by each utility and the procedures for budget submittals by
7	intervenors, Commission approval of budgets, and the payment of grants by utilities
8	It also established the three funds from which "Intervenor Funding Grants" can be
9	made: CUB Fund, Preauthorized Matching Fund (hereinafter also referred to as the
10	"NWIGU Fund," because it was for the exclusive use of NWIGU when applicable to
11	NW Natural) and Issue Fund.
12	In its subsequent Order No. 03-405, the Commission directed the utilities to
13	pay CUB the amount made available for the CUB Fund Grants as defined and
14	provided for in the Intervenor Funding Agreement. Express Commission approval
15	for payment was necessitated by Section 7.1 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement,
16	which provides that "upon request by CUB, the Commission will direct the
17	Participating Public Utilities to pay the amounts made available for the CUB Fund."
18	On December 29, 2007, the Commission issued Order No. 07-564, which
19	approved amendments to the Intervenor Funding Agreement previously approved in
20	Order No. 03-388. In 2012, Joint Parties executed a Second Amended and
21	Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement which the Commission approved in Order
22	No. 12-452. This Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement,
23	effective January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2017, increased the CUB Fund,

1 the Preauthorized Matching Fund (NWIGU Fund), and the Issue Fund by 15 percent 2 above the levels allowed in prior years. The Commission approved the Third 3 Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement, effective August 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017, in Order No. 15-335. The amended Intervenor 4 5 Funding Agreement increased the Issue Fund amount for NW Natural and for Avista 6 Utilities. NW Natural's Issue Fund amount was changed from \$66,125 to \$143,750. 7 The Commission approved the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor 8 Funding Agreement, effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022, in Order 9 No. 18-017. The amended Intervenor Funding Agreement increased the total funds available annually in the CUB Fund by approximately 45 percent and increased the 10 11 total funds available annually in the Preauthorized Matching Funds (NWIGU Fund) by approximately 10 percent. In addition, for each Preauthorized Matching Fund 12 (NWIGU Fund), the annual amount for each calendar year after 2018 and during the 13 14 term of the agreement increases by 3 percent annually. The agreement now allows the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers ("AWEC")1 to request payment of 15 Preauthorized Matching Fund Grants semi-annually and lowers the matching 16 17 amount of internal resources or outside funding from 50 percent to 35 percent. Finally, although the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement 18 19 expires on December 31, 2022, NW Natural is seeking to re-authorize this deferral 20 until June 30, 2023 because it expects a subsequent intervenor funding agreement

to commence on January 1, 2023.

¹ ICNU and NWIGU have merged their organizations and are now AWEC, and the NWIGU Fund now is called the "AWEC Fund."

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2		Communications regarding this Application should be addressed to:
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22		Portland, Oregon 97204
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24		Email: kyle.walker@nwnatural.com
25	E.	Description of the Expenses or Revenues for which Deferred
26		Accounting is Requested – OAR 860-027-0300(3)(a).
27		In accordance with the statutory authority provided by ORS 757.259(3) and
28	the C	commission's approval of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding
29	Agree	ement, NW Natural proposes to record and defer the amount of its payment to
30	CUB	as directed by Commission Order No. 18-017. This includes any payments
31	made	e to CUB under a subsequent Commission-approved intervenor funding

Communications.

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1	agreement. ² The request is pursuant to the terms of the Fourth Amended and
2	Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement, approved by the Commission in Order No.
3	18-017.
4	Additionally, the Company proposes to record and defer, on an ongoing
5	basis, any and all Intervenor Funding Grants as defined and provided for in the
6	Fourth Amended and Reinstated Intervenor Funding Agreement and any
7	subsequent Commission-approved intervenor funding agreements, for later
8	incorporation in rates. The Company will record and defer these ongoing costs upon
9	payment of the Intervenor Funding Grants following the Commission's approval of
10	the Intervenor Funding Grant and issuance of an Order directing the Company to
11	make payment, pursuant to the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding
12	Agreement or a subsequent Commission-approved intervenor funding agreement.
13	F. Reasons Reauthorization of Deferred Accounting is Being Requested –
14	OAR 860-027-0300(3)(b).
15	This request is made in accordance with ORS 757.259(3) that allows for the
16	deferral of Intervenor funds, and Commission Order No. 18-017 in docket UM 1929,
17	which directs NW Natural to pay CUB the amounts made available for the CUB Fund

² As stated above, the Fourth Amended and Reinstated Intervenor Funding Agreement expires on December 31, 2022, and NW Natural is seeking to re-authorize this deferral until June 30, 2023.

Grants as defined and provided for in the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor

Funding Agreement (\$101,125 for NW Natural).

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G. Accounting – OAR 860-027-0300(3)(c).

- 2 NW Natural proposes to record payment of Intervenor Funding Grants in a
- 3 subaccount of Account 186. In the absence of the Commission's approval of this
- 4 Application, the Company would not incur the cost of Intervenor Funding Grants.
- 5 Were such costs incurred, however, they would be recorded in an appropriate sub-
- 6 account of FERC Account 401.

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7 H. Estimate of Amounts Subject to Deferral – OAR 860-027-0300(3)(d).

- 8 Under the current agreement, the estimated amounts for 2022 are displayed
- 9 in the table below. The estimated amounts of the Preauthorized Matching Fund
- 10 (AWEC Fund) will increase by three percent in 2022:

Fund

CUB Fund	\$ 101,125
Preauthorized Matching Fund (AWEC Fund)	\$ 81,868
Issue Fund	<u>\$ 143,750</u>
Total	\$ 326,743

- 11 I. Entries into Deferred Account During Past 12 months OAR 860-027-
- 12 **0300(4)(a)**.
- 13 Attached as Exhibit A to this application are work papers detailing the
- 14 amounts deferred to date under UM 1101.
- 15 J. Reasons for Continued Deferral OAR 860-027-0300(4)(b).
- 16 The Company expects to incur intervenor funding costs for the time period
- 17 covered by this deferral (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023) and ORS 757.072(4)
- 18 permits the Company to defer such costs.

1	K.	Requirement	per Commission	Order No.	09-263

- 2 Below is the information required per Commission Order No. 09-263, issued
- in docket UM 1286, Staff's Investigation into Purchase Gas Adjustment
- 4 Mechanisms:

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- 1. A completed Summary Sheet, the location in the PGA filing, and an account map that highlights the transfer of dollars from one account to another.
 - Exhibit A provides the Summary Sheets which show the amounts deferred. Exhibit A will be included in the 2022 PGA filing work papers and in the electronic file entitled "Proposed Temps Oregon 2022-23 PGA filing.xls."
 - 2. The effective date of the deferral.
- This application is for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.
 - 3. Prior year Order Number approving the deferral.
 - Approval to defer costs associated with intervenor funding was last granted under Commission Order No. 21-256.
 - 4. The amount deferred last year.

	Issue Fund	CUB Fund	AWEC Fund	
	Acct 186284	Acct 186276	Acct 186278	
Deferred amounts July 1,				
2021 through May 31, 2022	5,000	\$101,125	\$63,567	

5. The amount amortized last year.3

	CUB Fund	AWEC Fund
	Acct 186286	Acct 186288
Amortized amounts November 1, 2021		
through May 31, 2022 with interest	\$137,330	\$51,035

2 6. The interest rate that will apply to the accounts.

- 3 While the Company does not currently accrue interest on balances 4 deferred for intervenor funding, the Company is authorized to include carrying costs in accordance with Section 7.9 of the Second Amended and 5 Restated Agreement included as attachment A to Commission Order No. 6 7 Order No. 12-452.
 - 7. An estimate of the upcoming PGA-period deferral and/or amortization.
- 10 The Company estimates that it will defer, and ultimately seek to amortize. up to \$326,743 11

12 Notice - OAR 800-027-0300(6).

- A notice of this Application will be served to parties who are participating in the Company's current consolidated general rate case, UG 435/UG 411, and is attached to this Application.
- 16 NW Natural respectfully requests that in accordance with ORS 757.259(3), as 17 amended, the Commission authorize the Company to record and defer Intervenor

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³ For purposes of amortization, the amount of the Issue Fund deferred related to CUB is amortized in the CUB Fund and the amount of the Issue Fund deferred related to AWEC is amortized in the AWEC Fund.

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Company: Northwest Natural Gas Company

State: Oregon

Description: Deferral of Intervenor Funding - ISSUE FUND

Account Number: 186284

Docket UM 1101

Last deferral reauthorization was approved in Order No. 21-256

1 Debit (Credit)

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4	Month/Year	Note	Deferral-CUB	Deferral-AWEC	Transfers-CUB	Transfers-AWEC	Interest (1)	Activity	Balance-CUB	Balance - AWEC	Balance Grand Total
5	(a)	(b)	(c1)	(c2)	(d1)	(d2)	(e)	(f)	(g1)	(g2)	(gtotal)
6					to 186286	to 186288					
7	Beginning Balance				amort account	amort account					
181	May-21							-	68,010.00	68,113.96	136,123.96
182	Jun-21							-	68,010.00	68,113.96	136,123.96
183	Jul-21							-	68,010.00	68,113.96	136,123.96
184	Aug-21							-	68,010.00	68,113.96	136,123.96
185	Sep-21							-	68,010.00	68,113.96	136,123.96
186	Oct-21							-	68,010.00	68,113.96	136,123.96
187	Nov-21	3			(68,010.00)	(68,113.96)		(136,123.96)	-	-	-
188	Dec-21	2	5,000					5,000.00	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
189	Jan-22							-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
190	Feb-22							-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
191	Mar-22							-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
192	Apr-22							-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
193	May-22							-	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
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- 186 **1** No interest is applied to this activity.
- 187 **2** Payment made in:

December 2021 - see Order 21-256

189 3 - Transferred June balances to CUB and AWEC amortization accounts

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101,125.00

Company: Northwest Natural Gas Company

State: Oregon

Description: Deferral of CUB Intervenor Funding

Account Number: 186276

Docket UM 1101

Last deferral reauthorization was approved in Order No. 21-256

Debit	(Credit)
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Month/Year	Note	Deferral	Transfers	Interest (1)	Activity	Balance
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
Beginning Balance						
May-21		-			0.00	101,125.00
Jun-21		-			0.00	101,125.00
Jul-21		-			0.00	101,125.00
Aug-21		-			0.00	101,125.00
Sep-21		-			0.00	101,125.00
Oct-21		-			0.00	101,125.00
Nov-21	2	-	(101,125.00)		(101,125.00)	0.00
Dec-21		-			0.00	0.00
Jan-22		101,125.00			101,125.00	101,125.00
Feb-22		-			0.00	101,125.00
Mar-22		-			0.00	101,125.00
Apr-22		-			0.00	101,125.00
	(a) Beginning Balance May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21 Oct-21 Nov-21 Dec-21 Jan-22 Feb-22 Mar-22	(a) (b) Beginning Balance May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21 Oct-21 Nov-21 Dec-21 Jan-22 Feb-22 Mar-22	(a) (b) (c) Beginning Balance May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21 Oct-21 Nov-21 Dec-21 Jan-22 Feb-22 Mar-22	(a) (b) (c) (d) Beginning Balance May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21 Oct-21 Nov-21 Dec-21 Jan-22 Mar-22 Mar-22	(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) Beginning Balance May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21 Oct-21 Nov-21 Dec-21 Jan-22 Mar-22 Mar-22	(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) Beginning Balance 0.00 0.00 0.00 Jun-21 - 0.00 0.00 Jul-21 - 0.00 0.00 Aug-21 - 0.00 0.00 Sep-21 - 0.00 0.00 Oct-21 - 0.00 (101,125.00) Nov-21 2 - (101,125.00) (101,125.00) Dec-21 - 0.00 Jan-22 101,125.00 101,125.00 101,125.00 Feb-22 - 0.00 Mar-22 - 0.00

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May-22

199 **NOTES**

- 200 **1** No interest is applied to this activity.
- 199 **2** June balance transferred to account 186286 for amortization.

Company: Northwest Natural Gas Company

State: Oregon

Description: Deferral of AWEC Intervenor Funding

Account Number: 186278

Docket UM 1101

Last deferral reauthorization was approved in Order No. 21-256

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4	Month/Year	Note	Deferral	Transfers	Interest (1)	Activity	Balance
5	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
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7	Beginning Balance						
181	May-21		0.00			0.00	11,081.33
182	Jun-21		0.00			0.00	11,081.33
183	Jul-21		0.00			0.00	11,081.33
184	Aug-21		0.00			0.00	11,081.33
185	Sep-21		0.00			0.00	11,081.33
186	Oct-21		0.00			0.00	11,081.33
187	Nov-21	2,3	40,348.95	(11,081)		29,267.62	40,348.95
188	Dec-21		0.00			0.00	40,348.95
189	Jan-22		0.00			0.00	40,348.95
190	Feb-22		0.00			0.00	40,348.95
191	Mar-22		0.00			0.00	40,348.95
192	Apr-22		0.00			0.00	40,348.95
193	May-22	2	23,218.13			23,218.13	63,567.08

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- 199 **1** No interest is applied to this activity.
- 200 **2** Payments made in:

November 2021 - see Order 21-395

May 2022 - see Order 22-153

203 **3** - June balance transferred to account 186288 for amortization.

(25,802.35)

(21,315.20)

(16,462.78)

(13,861.47)

82,165.58

60,850.38

44,387.60

30,526.13

Company: Northwest Natural Gas Company

State: Oregon

Description: Amortization of CUB Intervenor Funding

Account Number: 186286

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(25,900.53)

(21,389.05)

(16,517.12)

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Amortization of 2021-22 deferral approved in Order 21-366

Debit (Credit)

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4	Month/Year No	ote	Amortization	Transfers	Interest	rate	Activity	Balance
5	(a) (l	b)	(c)	(d)	(e1)	(e2)	(f)	(g)
6								
7	Beginning Balance							
196	May-21		(5,253.96)		45.26	2.63%	(5,208.70)	18,071.42
197	Jun-21		(3,812.57)		35.43	2.63%	(3,777.14)	14,294.28
198	Jul-21		(2,214.26)		28.90	2.63%	(2,185.36)	12,108.92
199	Aug-21		(1,946.61)		24.41	2.63%	(1,922.20)	10,186.72
200	Sep-21		(2,242.36)		19.87	2.63%	(2,222.49)	7,964.23
201	Oct-21		(4,639.71)		12.37	2.63%	(4,627.34)	3,336.89
202	Nov-21 old rate	es .	(4,618.46)		2.25	2.63%	(4,616.21)	(1,279.32)
203	Nov-21 new rat	es (1)	(6,115.42)	169,135.00	171.61	1.24%	163,191.19	161,911.87
204	Dec-21		(22,392.00)		155.74	1.24%	(22,236.26)	139,675.61
205	Jan-22		(31,835.56)		127.88	1.24%	(31,707.68)	107,967.93

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Feb-22

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1 - Transferred in authorized balances from CUB Deferral account 186276 and Issue Fund Deferral account 186284.

Company: Northwest Natural Gas Company

State: Oregon

Description: Amortization of AWEC Intervenor Funding

Account Number: 186288

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Amortization of 2021-22 deferral approved in Order 21-366

Debit (Credit)

3			Interest					
4	Month/Year Note	Amortization	Transfers	Interest	rate	Activity	Balance	
5	(a) (b)	(c)	(d)	(e1)	(e2)	(f)	(g)	
6								
7	Beginning Balance							
180	May-21	(2,158.30)		32.82	2.63%	(2,125.48)	13,930.69	
181	Jun-21	(1,980.42)		28.36	2.63%	(1,952.06)	11,978.63	
182	Jul-21	(1,986.35)		24.08	2.63%	(1,962.27)	10,016.36	
183	Aug-21	(2,094.54)		19.66	2.63%	(2,074.88)	7,941.48	
184	Sep-21	(2,058.64)		15.15	2.63%	(2,043.49)	5,897.99	
185	Oct-21	(2,299.84)		10.41	2.63%	(2,289.43)	3,608.56	
186	Nov-21 old rates	(141.17)		7.75	2.63%	(133.42)	3,475.14	
187	Nov-21 new rates	(1) (6,818.37)	79,195.29	78.31	1.24%	72,455.23	75,930.37	
188	Dec-21	(7,783.10)		74.44	1.24%	(7,708.66)	68,221.71	
189	Jan-22	(7,926.79)		66.40	1.24%	(7,860.39)	60,361.32	
190	Feb-22	(7,051.95)		58.73	1.24%	(6,993.22)	53,368.10	
191	Mar-22	(7,645.41)		51.20	1.24%	(7,594.21)	45,773.89	
192	Apr-22	(7,229.24)		43.56	1.24%	(7,185.68)	38,588.21	
193	May-22	(6,988.98)		36.26	1.24%	(6,952.72)	31,635.49	

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185 1 - Transferred in authorized balances from NWIGU Deferral account 186278 and Issue Fund Deferral account 186284.



UM 1101

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION TO DEFER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH INTERVENOR FUNDING GRANTS

June 28, 2022

To Parties Participating in Consolidated Dockets UG 435/UG 411:

Please be advised that on June 28, 2022, Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural ("NW Natural" or "Company"), applied for REAUTHORIZATION TO DEFER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH INTERVENOR FUNDING GRANTS.

<u>This is not a rate case</u>. The purpose of this Notice is to inform parties participating in the Company's current consolidated rate case, UG 435/UG 411, that a deferral reauthorization has been filed.

Parties who desire more information or who wish to obtain a copy of the filing, or notice of the time and place of any hearing, if scheduled, should contact the Company or the Public Utility Commission of Oregon as follows:

NW Natural Attn: Kyle Walker, CPA 250 Taylor Street Portland, Oregon 97204 Telephone: (503) 610-7051 Public Utility Commission of Oregon Attn: Filing Center 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 PO Box 1088 Salem, Oregon 97308-1088 Telephone: (503) 378-6678

Any person may submit to the Commission written comments on this matter within 25 days of the service of this notice. The granting of this deferral reauthorization application will not authorize a change in rates but will permit the Company to defer amounts in rates to a subsequent proceeding.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

UM 1101

I hereby certify that on June 28, 2022, I have served by electronic mail the foregoing NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION TO DEFER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH INTERVENOR FUNDING GRANTS upon parties of record for the NW Natural's current consolidated general rate case, UG 435/UG 411.

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