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July 23, 2021

Oregon Public Utility Commission 201 High Street SE P.O. Box 1088 Salem, OR 97308-1088

Re: UM 1336 – Reauthorization for Deferred Accounting Treatment of Intervenor Funding

Attn Filing Center:

Cascade Natural Gas files the enclosed Application for Reauthorization to Defer Intervenor Funding Grants.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (509)734-4593.

Sincerely,

/s/Michael Parvinen

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Enclosures

OF OREGON UM 1336

In the Matter of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation For Reauthorization to Defer Intervenor Funding

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APPLICATION FOR
REAUTHORIZATION FOR
DEFERRED ACCOUNTING

1 I. **INTRODUCTION** 2 In accordance with ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation 3 ("Cascade" or the "Company") applies to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon ("Commission") for an 4 accounting order reauthorizing the Company to record and defer, on an ongoing basis, the cost of 5 intervenor funding grants provided to qualifying organizations pursuant to the provisions of ORS 6 757.259 (3), as amended by OR Laws 2003, ch. 234 ("Intervenor Funding Grants"). The Company's 7 request is for the 12-month period beginning November 1, 2021 and ending October 31, 2022. 8 In support of this application, Cascade provides the following: 9 APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZATION TO DEFER II. 10 In compliance with the requirements for applications for reauthorization to defer costs as established in OAR 860-027-0300(3) and (4,) and Commission Order No. 09-263, Cascade submits the 11 12 following: 13 Α. Description of Utility Expense – OAR 860-027-0300(3)(a) In accordance with ORS 757.259(3) and the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor 14 15 Funding Agreement ("Agreement") approved by the Commission in Order No. 18-017, Cascade requests reauthorization to record and defer from November 1, 2021, through October 31, 16 17 2022, any and all Intervenor Funding Grants, as defined and provided for in the Agreement for

later incorporation in rates. Cascade will record and defer these ongoing costs upon payment of

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the Intervenor Funding Grants following the Commission's approval of the Intervenor Funding

Grant and issuance of an Order directing the Company to make payment, pursuant to the

Agreement.

At the time of consideration for incorporation into rates, Cascade will propose an appropriate amortization period for the Intervenor Funding Grants for the Commission's consideration.

B. Reason for Deferral – OAR 860-027-0300(3)(b)

This request is made in accordance with ORS 757.259(3) that allows for the deferral of Intervenor funds, and Commission Order No. 18-017 Docket UM 1929, which directs Cascade to pay to intervenors the amounts made available as defined and provided for in the Agreement.

C. Proposed Accounting - OAR 860-027-0300(3)(c)

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

D. Estimate of Amounts - OAR 860-027-0300(3)(d)

The table below shows the maximum amounts per the Agreement that may be deferred during the 12-month period, November 1, 2021, through October 31, 2022:

Fund Type as Defined in Agreement	Maximum
	Amount
CUB Fund	\$39,500
Preauthorized Matching Fund	\$37,950
Issue Fund	\$34,500
Total	\$111,950

1	E.	A Description and Explanation of the Entries in the Deferred Accounts – OAR 860-027-
2		0300(4)(a)
3		Attached as Appendix A to this application are workpapers detailing the amounts
4		deferred to-date under UM 1336. Also attached to Appendix A is a list of year 2021 intervenor
5		payments by date, Order and Docket number, and whom it was paid to.
6	F.	A Copy of the Notice of Application and Certificate of Service – OAR 860-027-0300(3)(e)
7		Attached as Appendix B is the copy of the Notice and the Certificate of Service
8		verifying the Notice was served on parties to the Company's current general rate case,
9		UG-390.
10	G.	The Reason for Continuation of Deferred Accounting – OAR 860-027-0300(4)(b)
11		The continuation of intervenor funds is justified per Commission Order No. 18-017
12		approving the terms of the Agreement.
13	н.	Requirements per Commission Order No. 09-263
14		Below is the information required per Commission Order No. 09-263, issued in Docket
15		UM-1286, Staff's investigation into purchased gas adjustment mechanism.
16		1. A complete Summary Sheet, the location in the PGA filing, and an account map that
17		highlights the transfer of dollars from one account to another.
18		Appendix A includes the Summary Sheet, which shows the amounts deferred
19		and demonstrates the transfer of dollars from one account to another. Appendix A wil
20		be attached to the Company's electronic 2021-2022 PGA filing as a file entitled, "CNGC
21		Non Gas Cost Worksheets and Deferral Amortization WP.xlsx."
22		2. The effective date of the deferral
23		This application is for the 12-month period beginning November 1, 2021 and
24		ending October 31, 2022.

1		3.	Prior Year Order Number approving t	he deferral	
2			Authorization to defer costs in	n this docket wa	s most recently
3			Commission Order No. 20-299.		
4		4.	The amount deferred last year		
				CUB Fund	AWEC Fund
				Acct 20444	Acct 20449
			Deferred amounts July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021	\$52,916.83	\$39,539.82
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6		5.	The amount amortized last year		
				CUB Fund	AWEC Fund
				Acct 20443	Acct 20448
			Amortized amounts July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021 with interest	(\$54,719.38)	(\$36,305.44)
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6. The interest rate that will be applied to accounts

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The deferred balance accrues interest at the rate of 7.071%¹. The amortized balance will accrue interest at the rate of 2.63% through October 2021. Beginning November 2021, the amortized balance will accrue interest at the rate of 1.24%².

7. An estimate of the upcoming PGA-period deferral and/or amortization

The Company estimates that it will not seek to defer more than \$111,950.

Cascade will seek to amortize the total deferral balance.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

Cascade hereby waives service by means of other than service by electronic mail. Consistent with that waiver, communications regarding this Application should be addressed to all of the following:

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 $^{^{1}}$ Authorized Rate of Return as approved in the Company's most recently concluded rate case, Commission Order No. 21-001 in docket No. UG-390.

² Modified Blended Treasury (MBT) rates per annual staff calculation authorized in Dockets UM 1147 and UG 221.

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7	IV.	CONCLUSION
8	Cascade requests that in accordar	nce with ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300, the Commission
9	authorize the Company to defer the expen	nses described in this Application.
10	DATED: July 23, 2021	
11		Sincerely,
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17		Michael Parvinen
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State: Oregon

Description: OR CUB Intervenor Funding Deferral

Account number: 470R.1860.20444
Class of Customers: Core: Rate schedule 101

Deferral Period: Annual

Deferral Account Order: 11/1/20 to - 10/31/21

Amortization Period:

Narrative: Oregon intervenor funding paid to the Citizens Utility Board of Oregon. Limited to \$34.5K deferral

per calendar year.

	Debit (Credit)						
Month/Year	Rate	Therms	Deferral	Amortization	Interest	Adjustments	Deferred Balance
			1	RANSFER BALAI	NCE TO 20443	(41,704.82)	2,024.41
Nov-18					12.12		2,036.53
Dec-18					12.60		2,049.13
Jan-19			39,500.00		12.68		41,561.81
Feb-19					232.24		41,794.05
Mar-19					258.56		42,052.61
Apr-19			27,388.00		251.28		69,691.89
May-19					430.31		70,122.20
Jun-19					419.00		70,541.20
Jul-19					435.56		70,976.76
Aug-19					438.25		71,415.01
Sep-19					426.73		71,841.74
Oct-19					443.59		72,285.33
				RANSFER BALAI		(72,285.32)	0.01
Nov-19			0.00		0.00		0.01
Dec-19			0.00		0.00		0.01
Jan-20			51,010.00		0.00		51,010.01
Feb-20			0.00		294.64		51,304.65
Mar-20			0.00		316.78		51,621.43
Apr-20			0.00		308.46		51,929.89
May-20			0.00		320.64		52,250.53
Jun-20			0.00		312.21		52,562.74
Jul-20			0.00		324.55		52,887.29
Aug-20			0.00		326.55		53,213.84
Sep-20			0.00		317.97		53,531.81
Oct-20			0.00		330.53		53,862.34
				RANSFER BALAI		(53,862.35)	(0.01)
Nov-20			11,100.00		0.00		11,099.99
Dec-20			664.00		68.54		11,832.53
Jan-21			39,500.00		73.06		51,405.59
Feb-21			0.00		278.84		51,684.43
Mar-21			0.00		310.39		51,994.82
Apr-21			0.00		302.18		52,297.00
May-21			0.00		314.07		52,611.07
Jun-21			0.00		305.76		52,916.83

State: Oregon

OR 11/01/12 Consolidated Accounts: Non Gas Cost Related PGA Temporary Rate Increments

Description: UM1336 Industrial Intervenor Funding

Account number: 47OR.1860.20449 Class of Customers: 105, 111, 170, 163, 164

Deferral Period: Annual

Deferral Account Order: 11/1/20 to 10/31/21

Amortization Period:

Narrative: This records consolidated deferral accounts for industrial intervenor funding

	Debit (Credit)						
Month/Year	Rate	Therms	Deferral	Amortization	Interest	Adjustments	Deferred Balance
			Т	RANSFER BALAI	NCE TO 20448	(2,910.63)	6,975.58
Nov-18					41.76		7,017.34
Dec-18					43.41		7,060.75
Jan-19					43.68		7,104.43
Feb-19					39.70		7,144.13
Mar-19					44.20		7,188.33
Apr-19			33,609.26		42.95		40,840.54
May-19					252.17		41,092.71
Jun-19					245.54		41,338.25
Jul-19					255.24		41,593.49
Aug-19					256.82		41,850.31
Sep-19					250.07		42,100.38
Oct-19			5,186.30		259.95		47,546.63
			T	RANSFER BALAI	NCE TO 20448	(42,360.33)	5,186.30
Nov-19			0.00		30.99		5,217.29
Dec-19			0.00		32.21		5,249.50
Jan-20			19,880.00		32.41		25,161.91
Feb-20			0.00		145.34		25,307.25
Mar-20			0.00		156.26		25,463.51
Apr-20			5,428.05		152.15		31,043.71
May-20			0.00		191.68		31,235.39
Jun-20			0.00		186.64		31,422.03
Jul-20			0.00		194.02		31,616.05
Aug-20			0.00		195.21		31,811.26
Sep-20			0.00		190.08		32,001.34
Oct-20			6,992.52		197.59		39,191.45
			T	RANSFER BALAI	NCE TO 20448	(32,198.94)	6,992.51
Nov-20			21,711.00		41.78		28,745.29
Dec-20			0.00		177.49		28,922.78
Jan-21			0.00		178.58		29,101.36
Feb-21			0.00		157.86		29,259.22
Mar-21			0.00		175.72		29,434.94
Apr-21			9,470.66		171.07		39,076.67
May-21			0.00		234.68		39,311.35
Jun-21			0.00		228.47		39,539.82

State: Oregon

Description: OR CUB Intervenor Funding

Account number: 47OR.1860.20443
Class of customers: Core: Rate schedule 101

Deferral period: Annual

Amortization period: 11/1/2020 through 10/31/2021

Narrative: Oregon intervenor funding paid to the Citizens Utility Board of Oregon. Limited to \$30K deferral per

calendar year.

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Month/Year	Rate	Therms	Deferral	Amortization	Interest	Adjustments	Deferred Balance
				Transfer Balance	from 20444	41,704.82	38,988.56
Nov-18	Prorated	3,510,105		(3,556.37)	93.57		35,525.76
Dec-18	(0.00088)	6,653,548		(5,855.12)	88.10		29,758.74
Jan-19	(0.00088)	7,738,415		(6,809.81)	73.80		23,022.73
Feb-19	(0.00088)	7,170,026		(6,309.62)	51.57		16,764.68
Mar-19	(0.00088)	8,099,998		(7,128.00)	41.58		9,678.26
Apr-19	(0.00088)	5,502,916		(4,842.57)	23.23		4,858.92
May-19	(0.00088)	2,820,144		(2,481.73)	12.05		2,389.24
Jun-19	(0.00088)	1,895,388		(1,667.94)	5.73		727.03
Jul-19	(0.00088)	1,265,691		(1,113.81)	1.80		(384.98)
Aug-19	(0.00088)	1,029,904		(906.32)	(0.95)		(1,292.25)
Sep-19	(0.00088)	1,038,921		(914.25)	(3.10)		(2,209.60)
Oct-19	(0.00088)	2,833,011		(2,493.05)	(5.48)		(4,708.13)
				Transfer Balance		72,285.32	67,577.19
Nov-19	Prorated	4,475,726		(5,028.53)	207.73		62,756.39
Dec-19	(0.00152)	6,669,859		(10,138.19)	199.34		52,817.54
Jan-20	(0.00152)	8,293,264		(12,605.76)	167.77		40,379.55
Feb-20	(0.00152)	6,449,971		(9,803.96)	119.99		30,695.58
Mar-20	(0.00152)	6,306,664		(9,586.13)	97.50		21,206.95
Apr-20	(0.00152)	5,170,204		(7,858.71)	65.19		13,413.43
May-20	(0.00152)	2,687,053		(4,084.32)	42.61		9,371.72
Jun-20	(0.00152)	2,089,168		(3,175.54)	28.81		6,224.99
Jul-20	(0.00152)	1,425,943		(2,167.43)	19.77		4,077.33
Aug-20	(0.00152)	1,003,694		(1,525.61)	12.95		2,564.67
Sep-20	(0.00152)	1,119,271		(1,701.29)	7.88		871.26
Oct-20	(0.00152)	1,622,429		(2,466.09)	2.77		(1,592.06)
				Transfer Balance		53,862.35	52,270.29
Nov-20	Prorated	3,998,049		(5,333.53)	112.99		47,049.75
Dec-20	(0.00107)	7,365,412		(7,880.99)	105.09		39,273.85
Jan-21	(0.00107)	7,851,363		(8,400.96)	87.73		30,960.62
Feb-21	(0.00107)	7,108,078		(7,605.64)	62.46		23,417.44
Mar-21	(0.00107)	7,124,199		(7,622.89)	52.31		15,846.86
Apr-21	(0.00107)	5,037,896		(5,390.55)	34.26		10,490.57
May-21	(0.00107)	2,715,943		(2,906.06)	23.43		7,607.94
Jun-21	(0.00107)	2,108,811		(2,256.43)	16.45		5,367.96

State: Oregon

Description: OR 11/01/12 Consolidated Accounts: Non Gas Cost Related PGA Temporary Rate Increments UM1336

Industrial Intervenor Funding

Account number: 47OR.1860.20448 Class of customers: 105, 111, 170, 163, 164

Deferral period: Annual

Amortization period: 11/01/2020 through 10/31/2021

Narrative: This records consolidated deferral accounts for industrial intervenor funding corresponding to the

temporary technical adjustments included in the PGA tracker effective 11/1/12 that are incorporated

in the customers' per therm gas rates.

Debit (Credit)

Month/Year	Rate	Therms	Deferral	Amortization	Interest	Adjustments	Deferred Balance
				Transfer Balance	from 20449	2,910.63	4,015.37
Nov-18	Prorated	3,409,116		(451.44)	9.64		3,573.57
Dec-18	(0.00008)	3,546,496		(283.71)	8.86		3,298.72
Jan-19	(0.00008)	3,787,317		(302.99)	8.18		3,003.91
Feb-19	(0.00008)	3,524,295		(281.95)	6.73		2,728.69
Mar-19	(0.00008)	3,914,447		(313.16)	6.77		2,422.30
Apr-19	(0.00008)	3,249,451		(259.96)	5.81		2,168.15
May-19	(0.00008)	3,561,925		(284.96)	5.38		1,888.57
Jun-19	(0.00008)	3,485,791		(278.86)	4.53		1,614.24
Jul-19	(0.00008)	3,441,921		(275.36)	4.00		1,342.88
Aug-19	(0.00008)	3,363,185		(269.05)	3.33		1,077.16
Sep-19	(0.00008)	3,377,243		(270.18)	2.59		809.57
Oct-19	(0.00008)	4,329,521		(346.35)	2.01		465.23
				Transfer Balance	from 20449	42,360.33	42,825.56
Nov-19	Prorated	3,997,035		(3,920.77)	131.64		39,036.43
Dec-19	(0.00108)	4,040,424		(4,363.67)	124.00		34,796.76
Jan-20	(0.00108)	4,039,138		(4,362.26)	110.53		30,545.03
Feb-20	(0.00108)	3,937,673		(4,252.68)	90.76		26,383.11
Mar-20	(0.00108)	3,956,251		(4,272.74)	83.80		22,194.17
Apr-20	(0.00108)	2,725,354		(2,943.39)	68.22		19,319.00
May-20	(0.00108)	3,115,703		(3,364.96)	61.37		16,015.41
Jun-20	(0.00108)	2,915,216		(3,148.43)	49.23		12,916.21
Jul-20	(0.00108)	3,140,666		(3,391.92)	41.03		9,565.32
Aug-20	(0.00108)	3,382,065		(3,652.63)	30.38		5,943.07
Sep-20	(0.00108)	3,543,868		(3,827.38)	18.27		2,133.96
Oct-20	(0.00108)	4,147,997		(4,479.84)	6.78		(2,339.10)
				Transfer Balance	from 20449	32,198.94	29,859.84
Nov-20	Prorated	3,702,208		(2,693.25)	64.55		27,231.14
Dec-20	(0.00069)	4,443,477		(3,066.00)	60.83		24,225.97
Jan-21	(0.00069)	4,362,509		(3,010.14)	54.11		21,269.94
Feb-21	(0.00069)	4,045,975		(2,791.74)	42.91		18,521.11
Mar-21	(0.00069)	4,096,964		(2,826.90)	41.37		15,735.58
Apr-21	(0.00069)	3,755,249		(2,591.12)	34.01		13,178.47
May-21	(0.00069)	3,296,000		(2,274.24)	29.44		10,933.67
Jun-21	(0.00069)	3,112,464		(2,147.59)	23.63		8,809.71

INTERVENOR PAYMENTS

Date	CUB	Pre Match	Issue Fund	Order	Docket	Paid
1/27/21	\$ 39,500			21-025	UM 1929	CUB
4/2/21		\$ 9,470.66		21-101	UM 1929	AWEC

Appendix B

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation

July 23, 2021

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO DEFER COSTS FOR INTERVENOR FUNDING

To All Parties Who Participated in UG-390

Please be advised that today, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation ("Cascade" or the "Company") applied for reauthorization to defer intervenor funding. Copies of the Company's application are available for inspection at the Company's main office.

Parties who would like additional information or would like 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:

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Public Utility Commission of Oregon

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Any person may submit to the Commission written comments on the application no sooner than 25 days from the date of this notice.

The Company's application will not authorize a change in rates, but will permit the Commission to consider allowing such deferred amount in rates in a subsequent proceeding.

Appendix B

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served by electronic mail the foregoing NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REAUTHORIZAION TO DEFER INTERVENOR FUNDING upon all parties of record in UG-390, which is the Company's current general rate case.

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Dated this 23rd day of July 2021.

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