

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 1635 (Phase II), UM 1706

In the Matters of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY,
dba NW NATURAL,

Mechanism for Recovery of
Environmental Remediation Costs (UM 1635)

and

Request for Determination of the Prudence
of Environmental Remediation Costs for
the Calendar Year 2013 and the First Quarter
of 2014 (UM 1706)

RULING

**DISPOSTION: MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REPLY GRANTED;
PARTIES INSTRUCTED TO CONFER**

On March 31, 2015, Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural filed an application for reconsideration or clarification of Order No. 15-049. Staff, Northwest Industrial Gas Users, and the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon filed responses to NW Natural's application. NW Natural subsequently filed a reply to the parties' responses, as well as a motion for leave to file a reply.

NW Natural's motion for leave to file a reply is granted.¹ The Commission is currently considering NW Natural's application for reconsideration or clarification, and will act on the request by June 1, 2015.² In the interim, I instruct the parties to meet and confer regarding the issues raised in the application and in the responses to the application. If parties are able to reach an agreement addressing the issues raised, they may file an update and any supporting documentation on or before May 20, 2015.

Dated this 1st day of May, 2015, at Salem, Oregon.


Shani Pines

Administrative Law Judge

¹ See OAR 860-001-0720 (4).

² See ORS 183.482 (1).