

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 2312

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Updated Depreciation Study.

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY
CONSUMERS' NOTICE OF INTENT
TO REQUEST ISSUE FUND GRANT

Pursuant to OAR § 860-001-0120 and the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) in Order No. 22-506 (December 29, 2022), Alliance of Western Energy Consumer’s (“AWEC”) hereby respectfully submit this Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant in Docket No. UM 2312. As required by the IFA, AWEC asserts the following:

1. UM 2312 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as “any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities.” IFA, Section 1(c). LC 83 will directly affect Northwest Natural Gas Company (“NW Natural”), a Participating Public Utility under Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, an Issue Fund Grant is permissible under Section 6.1 of the IFA.

2. As required by IFA Section 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each affected Participating Public Utility, all pre-certified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list for UM 2312.

3. AWEC identifies the NW Natural Issue Fund Account as the account from which AWEC intends to request the Issue Fund Grant. The amount of the request will depend on the availability of funds in that account when AWEC submits a budget.

4. AWEC has been precertified under Section 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-001-0120(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.

5. AWEC will submit a budget in accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA.

Dated this 8th day of January 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chad Stokes", is written over a horizontal line.

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