

ORDER NO. 14 165

ENTERED MAY 16 2014

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1654

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Investigation of Interstate Storage and  
Optimization Sharing.

ORDER

**DISPOSITION: AMENDED PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ISSUE FUND  
GRANT APPROVED**

On February 19, 2014, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) filed a proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant in this docket and in Order No. 14-069, we approved the budget showing eligible expenses in the amount of \$6, 260 and an issue fund grant in the amount of \$5,008. On May 13, 2014, CUB filed a request to amend its proposed budget issue fund grant.<sup>1</sup> The amended proposed budget shows total eligible expenses in the amount of \$35, 300, and CUB now seeks to amend its Issue Fund Grant from \$5,008 to \$9,939.41.

The Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), approved in our Order No. 12-452<sup>2</sup>, provides that an intervenor who received Commission approval for an Issue Fund Grant may file to amend its budget and request additional funding due to unforeseen changes in the scope or complexity of issues, positions taken by other parties, changes in the schedule of the case, or other good cause. Agreement at 15.

Once an amended proposed budget is received, we decide whether Issue Fund Grants are available for use based on factors identified in the Agreement. We have the authority to accept, deny or partially deny the request, and may place reasonable conditions on the grant.

CUB is automatically certified to receive intervenor funding under OAR 860-001-0120(3)(a). CUB's amended proposed budget includes the requisite information and reflects the current schedule adopted in this docket.

<sup>1</sup> The caption of the filing incorrectly referenced the caption for Docket No. UM 1633.

<sup>2</sup> Order No. 12-452 was subsequently supplemented by Order No. 13-317 to include Exhibits A, B, and C.


In light of the issues being addressed, the complexity of the issues and the significant policy decisions to be made, we believe that CUB's amended proposed budget is reasonable and should be approved.

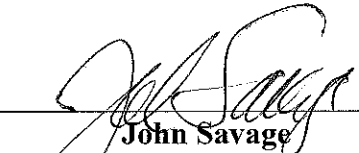
**ORDER**


IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon's amended proposed budget for an Issue Fund Grant is approved.
2. An additional \$4,931.41 is approved for the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon Issue Fund Grant.

Made, entered, and effective MAY 16 2014

  
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**Susan K. Ackerman**  
Chair

  
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**John Savage**  
Commissioner

  
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**Stephen M. Bloom**  
Commissioner

