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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1722, UG 286

In the Matters of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON, Investigation into Recovery of Safety Costs by Natural Gas Utilities (UM 1722)

ORDER

and

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL, Request to Continue Schedule 177, the System Integrity Program Recovery Mechanism (UG 286)

DISPOSITION: DOCKET UG 286 CLOSED

On March 4, 2016, Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, filed a letter to withdraw its Advice No. 14-23 to close docket UG 286. NW Natural explains that, when it filed the advice filing to extend its System Integrity Program, the Commission suspended the filing and consolidated it with a generic investigation to examine the recovery of safety costs by local distribution companies (LDCs). *See* Order No. 15-093. NW Natural now seeks to proceed with the generic investigation, and requests that the Commission close docket UG 286. No party objected to NW Natural's letter. For good cause shown, docket UG 286 is closed.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Advice No. 14-23 filed by Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, on October 21, 2014, is withdrawn and docket UG 286 is closed.

Michael Grant Chief Administrative Law Judge