

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 435

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON,

NW Natural Request for a General Rate
Revision.

ORDER

DISPOSITION: REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF HB 2475 GRANT APPROVED

On December 9, 2022, Community Energy Project (CEP) filed a request for full payment of \$5,800 of eligible expenses in docket UG 435 from the Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, HB 2475 Grant Fund.

CEP's budget of \$5,800 for this proceeding was approved in Order No. 22-368. As stated in the agreement approved in Order No. 22-043 in section 3(b):

In order to receive payment of the HB 2475 Grant Funds approved by the Commission and available under this Agreement, Recipient must submit a request for payment ("Request for Payment") to the Commission with a copy sent to the Utility. The request may be made at any time during this Proceeding but no later than 60 days after the Commission's final order issued in this Proceeding. The Request for Payment must:

- (1) Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed, including billing details, and including separately identified amounts for consultant or expert witness fees and travel expenses;
- (2) Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget;
- (3) Specify whether the Request for Payment is for a progress payment or final payment in full.

In public and confidential filings, CEP has supplied all information necessary to meet this requirement. No party provided a response to CEP's request. I approve CEP's request for payment consistent with Order No. 21-213.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Community Energy Project has met the requirements of the interim funding agreement approved in Order No. 22-043, and its request for final payment of \$5,800 is approved.
2. Northwest Natural Gas Company, NW Natural, pay \$5,800 from the NW Natural HB 2475 Grant Fund to Community Energy Project within 30 days after receipt of this Order, and the grant be assessed to NW Natural's residential customers.

Made, entered, and effective Feb 1, 2023.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nolan Moser".

Nolan Moser
Chief Administrative Law Judge

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480 through 183.484.