

ORDER NO: 25-224

ENTERED June 23, 2025

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 2380

In the Matter of

CASCADE NATURAL GAS
CORPORATION,

Petition to File Depreciation Study.

ORDER

DISPOSITION: MOTION TO DESIGNATE PROCEEDING AS ELIGIBLE FOR
ISSUE FUNDS GRANTED

On June 9, 2025, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC), filed a motion to designate this proceeding as eligible for an Issue Fund Grant. No party responded to AWEC's motion.

The Fifth Amended Intervenor Funding Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. 22-506, defines "Eligible Proceedings for Issue Funds" as a proceeding before the Commission to review:

1. A general rate case request,
2. The proposed acquisition or merger of one of the Participating Public Utilities,
3. An Integrated Resource Plan, Clean Energy Plan, Distribution System Plan, or Transportation Electrification Plan,
4. An annual power cost request (such as PGE's Annual Update Tariff or PacifiCorp's TAM) or a purchase gas adjustment request, or
5. Any other proceeding so designated by the Commission that directly affects one or more of the Participating Utilities and is anticipated to:
(1) have a substantial impact on utility rates or service, (2) a significant

impact on utility customers or the operations of the utility, (3) result in a significant change in regulatory policy, (4) or raise novel questions of law.

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is a participating utility. In its motion, AWEC asserts that setting depreciation rates and survival curves in this docket will directly affect the company and its customers and may have a significant impact on customer rates.

We agree that this proceeding qualifies as an eligible proceeding under the last criterion because this docket is anticipated to have a substantial impact on utility rates.

Accordingly, AWEC's motion should be granted, and this docket should be certified as an eligible proceeding.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that this proceeding is designated as eligible for Issue Funds.

Made, entered, and effective June 23, 2025.



Letha Tawney
Chair



Les Perkins
Commissioner



Karin Power
Commissioner

