

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**LC 59**

In the Matter of	)	
	)	CUB’S REQUEST FOR AN
CASCADE NATURAL GAS	)	ISSUE FUND GRANT &
	)	PROPOSED BUDGET
2014 Integrated Resource Plan	)	
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The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (“CUB”) hereby files its Request for an Issue Fund Grant & Proposed Budget in docket LC 59. CUB staff will keep track of their participation by hours and activity.

CUB is precertified as per OAR 860-001-0120(3)(a). LC 59 is an eligible proceeding under the Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”), as approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission in Order No. 12-452, entered November 20, 2012. The proceeding directly affects Cascade Natural Gas Company (“Cascade”), which is a participating public utility under the IFA. *See* Order No. 12-452 at Article 1(k). CUB filed its Notice of Intent to Request a Cascade Issue Fund Grant on November 24, 2014, concurrent with its Notice of Intervention as required by IFA Article 6.2.

Pursuant to paragraph 6.3 of the IFA, the proposed budget must identify certain points of information. CUB provides the information below.

*(a) Statement of Work to Be Performed:* CUB intends to participate in every procedural aspect of this case. CUB has participated in all or most workshops and Technical

Advisory Group (“TAG”) meetings to date. CUB will participate in the pre-hearing conference, once scheduled. We will attend and participate in all or most workshops, TAG meetings, Commission presentations and public meetings. We will review and analyze Cascade’s IRP and comments. We will review and analyze comments filed by other parties. We will pursue discovery of Cascade through data requests. We will file opening and final comments, and present our recommendations to the Commission, including any proposed modifications or conditions.

*(b) Description of Areas to Be Investigated:* CUB intends to investigate issues including, but not limited to:

- A. Cascade’s hedging policies;
- B. Cascade’s technical inputs on pricing and load growth;
- C. Cascade’s strategy for supply, including storage and pipeline capacity;
- D. Energy efficiency; and
- E. Issues raised by other parties to the proceeding.

*(c) Description of the Class or Classes Benefiting from CUB’s Participation:*

CUB represents the interests of Cascade’s residential customers, though other customer classes may benefit from many aspects of our participation.

*(d) The Fund from Which CUB Seeks an Issue Fund Grant & Available Funds:* CUB is seeking an issue fund grant from the 2014 Cascade Issue Fund. CUB’s budget shows eligible expenses of \$26,250 and requests an Issue Fund Grant in the amount of \$21,000. As of July 9, 2014, the uncommitted balance of Cascade’s 2014 issue fund was \$55,067.

*(e) The Budget Showing Estimated Fees and Costs:* CUB’s budget accompanies this

document as Attachment A.

(f) *A Representation of the Use of Matching Funds*: The budget and an accounting for the use of matching funds accompany this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2014

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment A

**CUB Budget - LC 59**

<b>CUB Internal Expenses</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Cost</b>
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	15	\$3,750
Catriona McCracken, General Counsel	\$250	10	\$2,500
Jaime McGovern, Sr. Utility Analyst	\$225	5	\$1,125
Nadine Hanhan, Utility Analyst	\$125	100	\$12,500
Sommer Templet, Staff Attorney	\$175	35	\$6,125
<i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing & Mailing			\$75
Travel			\$175
<b>In-House Resources</b>			
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$5,250)
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$21,000</b>

## LC 59 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2014, I served the foregoing **CUB'S REQUEST FOR AN ISSUE FUND GRANT & PROPOSED BUDGET** in docket LC 59 upon each party listed in the LC 59 PUC Service List by email and, where paper service is not waived, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, and upon the Commission by email and by sending one original and one copy by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the Commission's Salem offices.

(W denotes waiver of paper service)

(C denotes service of Confidential material authorized)

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