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**VIA E-MAIL TO**

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
Filing Center  
201 High Street SE, Suite 100  
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**Re: Docket No. UG 490 – In the Matter of Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba  
NW Natural, Request for a General Rate Revision.**

Attention Filing Center:

Attached for filing in the above-referenced docket, please find Northwest Natural Gas Company's Motion to Modify Procedural Schedule. Expedited consideration is requested for this motion.

Please contact this office with any questions.

Sincerely,

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UG 490**

In the Matter of

NW NATURAL GAS COMPANY D/B/A NW  
NATURAL

Request for a General Rate Revision.

**MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL  
SCHEDULE**

*Expedited Consideration Requested*

1           In accordance with OAR 860-001-0420, Northwest Natural Gas Company dba  
2 NW Natural (“NW Natural” or “Company”), respectfully requests that the Public Utility  
3 Commission of Oregon (“Commission”) revise the procedural schedule in the above-captioned  
4 docket on an expedited basis.

5           On February 5, 2024, Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) Sarah Spruce issued a  
6 Prehearing Conference Memorandum adopting a schedule for this proceeding. This schedule,  
7 as further modified in this proceeding,<sup>1</sup> indicated that NW Natural’s surrebuttal testimony was  
8 due by 3:00 PM on July 22, 2024.

9           To account for ongoing settlement discussions, NW Natural requests to extend the  
10 deadline for its surrebuttal testimony to July 24, 2024 at 3:00 PM. The Company has conferred  
11 with all parties<sup>2</sup> to this proceeding, and no party opposes NW Natural’s proposed extension for  
12 surrebuttal testimony. The parties are continuing to confer regarding an extension to the  
13 deadline for cross examination statements and exhibits and anticipate filing another motion to  
14 revise that deadline.

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<sup>1</sup> The ALJ issued a Memorandum on Staff’s Scheduling Motion on April 11, 2024, modifying the procedural schedule.

<sup>2</sup> The parties to this case are Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (“Staff”), the Oregon Citizens’ Utility Board (“CUB”), the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (“AWEC”), and the Coalition of Communities of Color, Climate Solutions, Verde, Columbia Riverkeeper, Oregon Environmental Council, Community Energy Project, and Sierra Club (collectively, “the Coalition”).

1           Accordingly, NW Natural respectfully requests that ALJ Spruce amend the procedural  
2 schedule in this proceeding to extend the deadline for NW Natural's surrebuttal testimony to  
3 3:00 PM on July 24. Because NW Natural's surrebuttal testimony is currently due today, the  
4 Company requests expedited consideration of this motion pursuant to OAR 860-001-0420(6).

DATED this 22nd day of July 2024.

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