

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

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**DISPOSITION: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE ADOPTED**

On September 5, 2018, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a telephone prehearing conference in this docket. Northwest Natural Gas Company (NW Natural), the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Staff), the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (CUB), and the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC) all noted their appearances for the record.

It was noted that supporting testimony for the all-party partial stipulation filed on August 6, 2018, had not yet been filed with the Commission. Also, it was noted that a tentative settlement between NW Natural, Staff, and CUB, with respect to two of the three remaining outstanding issues (the "three-party stipulation"), had not yet been reduced to a stipulated agreement or filed with the Commission. Further, it was noted that AWEC had the right to file objections or request a hearing with respect to the three-party stipulation.

At the conference, AWEC formally waived its right to a hearing on the three-party stipulation. All parties indicated that they do not request an oral argument before the Commission on the all-party stipulation or the three-party stipulation or any outstanding issues. Accordingly, the parties agreed to the following schedule:

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Three-Party Stipulation due	September 7, 2018
All-Party Stipulation Supporting Testimony due	September 14, 2018
Three-Party Stipulation Supporting Testimony due	September 14, 2018
AWEC Objections to Three-Party Stipulation due	September 28, 2018
NW Natural, Staff and CUB Replies to AWEC Objections due	October 5, 2018

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The procedural schedule set forth above is adopted.

Dated this 6th day of September, 2018, at Salem, Oregon.

Allan J. Arlow  
Administrative Law Judge