

**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.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: PARTIAL STIPULATION ADMITTED INTO RECORD WITHOUT CONTEMPORANEOUS SUPPORTING JOINT TESTIMONY (OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a) WAIVED); JOINT TESTIMONY OR STATUS REPORT TO BE FILED ON APRIL 21, 2020**

On March 12, 2020, Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, filed a partial stipulation resolving all cost of capital issues, on behalf of all parties to the docket: NW Natural; Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon; the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board; and the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (collectively, the Stipulating Parties). On the same day, the Stipulating Parties also filed a motion to admit the partial stipulation into the evidentiary record. The motion seeks waiver of the requirement in OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a) that a written stipulation memorializing a settlement among parties be accompanied by joint testimony or a brief supporting the settlement. The motion indicates that the Stipulating Parties filed the partial stipulation to immediately notify the Commission and interested persons about resolution of all cost of capital issues, but advises that more time is needed to develop supporting testimony. The Stipulating Parties plan to file joint testimony supporting the stipulation on April 21, 2020. NW Natural represents that the Stipulating Parties have all conferred and support the motion, including the request for waiver.

The request to waive the requirement in OAR 860-001-0350(7)(a) that a stipulation be filed with supporting testimony is waived, and the partial stipulation into the evidentiary record is granted. If supporting testimony is not filed by April 21, 2020, a status report should instead be filed on that date.

Dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2020, at Salem, Oregon.



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Traci Kirkpatrick  
Administrative Law Judge