

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 435/UG 411

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY,
dba NW Natural,

Request for a General Rate Revision (UE 435),

Advice 20-19, Schedule 198 Renewable
Natural Gas Recovery Mechanism
(ADV 1215) (UG 411).

RULING

DISPOSITION: REQUEST TO WAIVE OAR 860-001-0720(4) GRANTED

On December 23, 2023, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) filed an application for clarification and reconsideration of Order No. 22-388 issued in this docket. In its application, CUB requested a waiver of OAR 860-001-720(4), which states that any party may file a response to an application for rehearing or reconsideration within 15 days of the filing. CUB states that the deadline for responses set forth in the rule may be difficult given the holiday season. CUB states that it conferred with the parties that were engaged on the topic addressed in the application for clarification and reconsideration—Staff of the Oregon Public Utility Commission, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC), and Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural—and these parties propose January 19, 2023, as the response deadline. CUB also states that it would reply to any response requested by the Administrative Law Judge under OAR 860-001-0720(4).

I grant CUB's request to waive the 15-day response deadline set forth in OAR 860-001-720(4) and find that the date proposed by CUB, Staff, AWEC, and NW Natural is reasonable. Accordingly, the deadline to file any responses to CUB's application is January 19, 2023.

Dated this 4th day of January, 2023, at Salem, Oregon.



Sarah Spruce
Administrative Law Judge