

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 490

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY, dba NW Natural,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: MOTION GRANTED ON EXPEDITED BASIS; PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE MODIFIED**

On July 22, 2024, Northwest Natural Gas Company dba Northwest Natural filed a motion requesting to modify the procedural schedule in these proceedings. NW Natural requests to modify the deadline to submit its surrebuttal testimony from July 22, 2024, to July 24, 2024. NW Natural states that the extension is necessary to accommodate ongoing settlement discussions. NW Natural states that it has conferred with the other parties to these proceedings and that no party opposes its proposed extension. NW Natural requests expedited consideration under OAR 860-001-0420(6), because its surrebuttal testimony is due by 3:00 p.m. on July 22, 2024.

I grant the motion to modify the procedural schedule and on an expedited basis. Accordingly, the procedural schedule for the remainder of these proceedings is, as follows:

Event¹	Date
NW Natural Surrebuttal Testimony	July 24, 2024
Settlement Conference	July 24, 2024
Settlement Status Report	July 25, 2024
Cross Exam Statements and Exhibits from All Parties, Joint Issues Matrix or Issues List	July 25, 2024
Evidentiary Hearing	July 30, 2024 (morning); August 1, 2024
Motions to admit with written affidavits in support of testimony and exhibits due	August 5, 2024

¹ As stated in the scheduling memorandum issued on January 8, 2024, the filing deadline for all dates in this procedural schedule is 3:00 p.m. on the date of the event. Filings submitted after 3:00 p.m. will be considered filed on the following business day.

Simultaneous Opening Briefs	August 15, 2024
Staff and Intervenors Closing Briefs	August 26, 2024
NW Natural Closing Brief	September 3, 2024
Oral Arguments	September 12, 2024
Commission Order Target Date	October 25, 2024
Rate Effective Date	November 1, 2024

Dated this 22nd day of July, 2024, at Salem, Oregon.



Sarah Spruce
Administrative Law Judge