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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Re: UG 490 – Errata to Staff Opening Testimony – Exhibit 2101

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find an errata to Staff Opening Testimony filed on April 18, 2024. It is Exhibit 2101, the witness qualifications statement of Kevin Hennessy. Exhibit 2101 was inadvertently omitted from Staff's April 18, 2024 filing.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

/s/ Stephanie Andrus

Stephanie Andrus
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CASE: UG 490
WITNESS: KEVIN HENNESSY

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF
OREGON**

STAFF EXHIBIT 2101

Witness Qualifications Statement

April 18, 2024

WITNESS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

NAME: Kevin Hennessy

EMPLOYER: PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON (OPUC)

TITLE: Manager of Natural Gas Engineering and Safety in OPUC'S Utility Safety, Reliability, and Security Division, and Chief of Pipeline Safety

ADDRESS: 201 High Street SE, Suite 100, Salem, OR 97301

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science, Oregon State University

EXPERIENCE: I have worked for over 20 years at the Oregon Public Utility Commission, beginning as a Utility Analyst within the pipeline safety program. I assumed the position of lead of the program in 2014 and have since served as the Chief of Pipeline Safety.

My responsibilities include advising on all process areas of inspection and complaints. I also lead the team members assigned to inspect natural gas infrastructure across the State of Oregon.

The scope of inspection oversight includes Transmission Integrity Management, Distribution Integrity Management, General Code Compliance, Operator Qualifications, Public Awareness, Drug and Alcohol Plan, Incident and Damage Prevention Activities and Construction. Program duties also include oversight of the annual certification with the U.S. Department of Transportation – Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA). The certification is coupled with grant funding and so when program receives favorable audit reviews, the Gas Safety Program is eligible to receive up to 80% reimbursement for program costs.

Finally, in this role, I engage with stakeholders from other utilities, including but not limited to Electric, Hazardous Liquid, Water, Communication providers, Water and Treatment facilities. Staff within the Gas Safety Program provide inspections and complaint investigations related to Oregon Administrative Rules for utility damage prevention when members of the public engage in excavation activities.