

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Docket UG-24008
Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
2024 General Rate Case**

BENCH REQUEST NO. 2:

For All Parties:

Paragraph 16 of the Full Multiparty Settlement Stipulation denotes the elements required in the Annual Provisional Plant Report due April 30 of each year. Criteria 1 requires Cascade to provide detailed explanations for any variances greater than 10 percent or \$500,000 from the authorized costs. Criteria 4 requires Cascade to update the project description and justify the continued development of the project if any “significant cost overruns” occur.

a. For the purpose of this stipulation, is a significant cost overrun considered to be greater than 10 percent or \$500,000 more than authorized as defined in Criteria 1?

b. If no, what is considered a significant cost overrun as noted in Criteria 4?

Response:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation believes that the definition for significant cost overrun outlined in Criteria 1 is also applicable to that term in Criteria 4.