BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)
WASHINGTON NATURAL GAS COMPANY for a)
Certificate of Public Convenience and)
Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for)
Hire in the general area or areas of)
Snohomish, King, Pierce, Thurston and)
Lewis Counties.

CAUSE NO. U-9648

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

The Washington Natural Gas Company, a Washington corporation, filed an application on November 23, 1965, in this Cause to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 2 amended, to include additional area. The additional area requested by Washington encompasses an area west of the cities of Olympia and Tumwater, Thurston County, and is contiguous to a part of its presently certificated area.

In its application Washington Natural Gas Company bases its need for the additional area on a demand for gas service in the uncertificated area. The company states its plant facilities in the certificated area have been extended up to the uncertificated area and it has requests for gas service from residents in the area it seeks. Since the requested area is contiguous to an area presently served by Washington, it appears that company can economically serve the additional area. The company has an adequate source of natural gas and is financially capable of extending its plant facilities into the new area. It is the opinion of the Commission the operation of a gas plant for hire in the area Washington seeks certification is or will be required by the public convenience and necessity.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Washington Natural Gas Company operates a gas plant for hire in this state and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- 2. Washington Natural Gas Company has heretofore been issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 2 as amended May 11, 1965, in Cause No. U-9597.
- 3. Washington Natural Gas Company seeks to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to include an additional area in Thurston County.
- 4. The additional area requested is contiguous to the company's present Thurston County service area.
- 5. At present there is no gas company operating a gas plant for hire in the area in question.

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6. Washington Natural Gas Company is able to finance the necessary plant facilities required to make natural gas service available in the additional area it has requested.

- 7. Washington Natural Gas Company has an adequate source of natural gas.
- 8. The operation of a gas plant for hire by Washington Natural Gas Company in the additional area applied for is or will be required by the public convenience and necessity.
- 9. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity presently held by the Washington Natural Gas Company should be amended to include the additional area requested by the Company.

ORDER

1. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED That the application of Washington Natural Gas Company to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to encompass additional area in Thurston County is approved as follows:

All of the incorporated cities of Olympia and Tumwater, and additional portions of Thurston and Pierce Counties adjacent thereto lying within the area described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Section 15, Township 17 North, Range 1 West; thence west along the south lines of Sections 15, 16, 17 and 18, Township 17 North, Range 1 West, and along the south lines of Sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 in Township 17 North, Range 2 West, and along the south line of Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 3 West to the southwest corner of Section 13; thence north along the west lines of Sections 13, 12 and 1 of Township 17 North, Range 3 West and along the west line of Sections 36, 25, 24, 13 and 12, Township 18 North, Range 3 West to the west R/W of U.S. Highway 101; thence northerly along the west R/W line of U.S. 101 to the north line of Section 11, Township 18 North, Range 3 West; thence east along the north line of Sections 11 and 12, Township 18 North, Range 3 West to the east shoreline of Mud Bay. Thence north and east along said shoreline through Section 1, Township 18 North, Range 3 West and Section 6, Township 18 North, Range 2 West and Sections 31, 32, 33, 29, 28, 21, 16, 9 and 10, Township 19 North, Range 2 West to Cooper's Point. Thence southerly along the west shoreline of Budd Inlet through Sections 10, 15, 22, 27, 28 and 33, Township 19 North, Range 2 West and Sections 4 and 3, Township 18 North, Range 2 West; thence east along the north line of Sections 10 and 11, Township 18 North, Range 2 West to the easterly shoreline of Budd Inlet; thence following the shoreline northerly past Dover Point; thence northeasterly to Dickerson Point and across the mouth of Henderson Inlet to Johnson Point; thence southeasterly along the westerly and southerly shoreline of Nisqually Reach, across the mouth of the Nisqually River, along the south and easter-

ly shoreline of Nisqually Reach to the intersection of the shoreline with the east line of Section 15, Township 19 North, Range 1 East; thence south along the east line of Sections 15, 22, 27 and 34, Township 19 North, Range 1 East, to the southeast corner of said Section 34; thence west along the south line of said Section 34 to the south side of old PSH No. 1; thence southwesterly along the south side of old PSH No. 1 to its intersection with the north-south centerline of Section 4, Township 18 North, Range 1 East; thence south along this centerline through Sections 4, 9 and 16, Township 18 North, Range 1 East to its intersection with the west bank of the Nisqually River; thence southerly and easterly to the south line of Section 16, Township 18 North, Range 1 East; thence west along the south lines of Sections 16 and 17, Township 18 North, Range 1 East to the southwest corner of said Section 17; thence south along the east line of Section 19, Township 18 North, Range 1 East to the southeast corner of said Section 19; thence west along the south line of Section 19, Township 18 North, Range 1 East, and along the south lines of Sections 24 and 23, Township 18 North, Range 1 West to the southwest corner of said Section 23; thence south along the east lines of Sections 27 and 34, Township 18 North, Range 1 West, and along the east lines of Sections 3, 10 and 15, Township 17 North, Range 1 West to the southeast corner of said Section 15, the point of beginning,

as further shown on Appendix A-5 (amended) attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

- 2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued pursuant to Order Paragraph No. 1 above, supersedes and cancels Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 2, as amended, and issued to Washington Natural Gas Company on May 11, 1965, in Cause No. U-9597. Said Certificate of May 11, 1965, should be forthwith returned to this Commission.
- 3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That jurisdiction over this cause is retained to effectuate the provisions of this order and future consideration to determine alterations, if any, to be made to the Certificate issued pursuant to Order Paragraph No. 1 above, to conform to the requirements of public convenience and necessity as the same may then be made to appear.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 15th day of December 1965.

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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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PATRICK D. SUTHERLAND, Commissioner

DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

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APPENDIX A-5 (AMENDED) CAUSE NO. U- 9648 WASHINGTON NATURAL GAS COMPANY

BOUNDARY OF SERVICE AREA - - - -(OLYMPIA & VICINITY-THURSTON & PIERCE COUNTIES)

WASHINGTON
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COMMISSION FIELD ENGINEERING DATE: DEC. 15,1965 CHECKED: T.W.

BY: D.H.