BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION SERVICE DATE

In the Matter of the Petition of SEP 14 1994

CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION DOCKET NO. UG-931386

for Approval of Special Contract with Longview Fibre Company for COMMISSION ORDER APPROVING CONTRACT

Natural Gas Service APPROVING CONTRACT

On November 15, 1994, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or company) filed with the Commission a special service contract with Longview Fibre Company (Longview). The contract provides for firm distribution transportation service for natural gas to be delivered to Longview to satisfy their requirements of gas-fired cogeneration facility.

This filing is made pursuant to WAC 480-80-335 which requires Commission approval of contracts with end-use customers that do not conform to any applicable tariff. The Commission set this matter for its August 31, 1994 Open Public Meeting. Following discussion at that open meeting, the Commission deferred consideration of this filing until its September 14, 1994 Open Public Meeting to permit the Commission Staff and company to resolve issues raised by the filing.

The company and Commission Staff resolved their outstanding issues prior to the September 14 open meeting. In a September 9, 1994 letter to the Commission, Cascade committed to file, within six months of this Order, a petition for an Order determining the ratemaking treatment with respect to this contract and other special contracts relating to March Point, Encogen, Tenaska, and BP.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the special services contract which is the subject of the filing in this matter is approved conditioned upon the filing by Cascade of a petition for an Order determining the ratemaking treatment of special contracts relating to service to Longview Fibre, March Point, encogen, Tenaska, and BP.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this /44/day of September 1994.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

SHARON L. NELSON, Chairman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner