BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	
CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION for)	
a Certificate of Public Convenience)	CAUSE NO. U-9819
and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant)	
for Hire in the general area or areas)	ORDER GRANTING
of Lawrence Station, Whatcom County,)	APPLICATION
Washington.)	
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Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, a Washington corporation, on January 31, 1968, filed an application to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire, No. 4 amended, to include an area in Whatcom County located approximately 7 miles northeast of Bellingham. This area, referred to as Lawrence Station, is contiguous with the Bellingham and Deming areas. Lawrence Station is not incorporated.

Gas service has been requested for a feed and pellet mill now under construction which, with the existing residential and commercial development, renders the area a potentially economical addition to Cascade's service area.

Cascade will tap El Paso Natural Gas Company's 26-inch main, which crosses this area, as the means of supply.

In the opinion of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission the operation of a gas plant for hire by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation in the area as applied for certification is required by public convenience and necessity.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation operates a gas plant for hire in this state and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- 2. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation has heretofore been issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 4, as amended.
- 3. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation seeks to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to include additional area in Whatcom County.
- 4. The additional area requested is contiguous to the company's present service area.
- 5. At present there is no gas company operating a gas plant for hire in the area in question. $\triangle -18$

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- 6. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is capable of installing plant facilities to make natural gas service available in the additional area it has requested.
- 7. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation can obtain an adequate source of natural gas.
- 8. The operation of a gas plant for hire by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation 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 Cascade Natural Gas Corporation should be amended to include the additional area requested by the company.

ORDER

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

Areas within Whatcom County including the unincorporated towns of Deming, Lawrence and Acme described as follows:

Secs. 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36, T. 39 N., R. 4 E.; Secs. 29, 30, 31 and 32, T. 39 N., R. 5 E.; Secs. 5 and 6, T. 38 N., R. 5 E.; and Sec. 1, T. 38 N., R. 4 E.

Secs. 5, 6, 7 and 8, T. 37 N., R. 5 E.,

as further shown on Appendix A-18 (amended), attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

- 2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire issued pursuant to Order Paragraph No. 1 above, supersedes and cancels Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 4, as amended and issued to Cascade Natural Gas Corporation on March 28, 1968, in Cause No. U-9807. Said Certificate of March 28, 1968, should be forthwith returned to this Commission.
- 3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That the Certificate issued pursuant to Order Paragraph No. 1 above, is subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the Orders in Cause Nos. U-8841, U-8843, U-8937, U-9047, U-9052, U-9194, U-9238, U-9239, U-9253, U-9263, U-9264, U-9360, U-9388, U-9394 and U-9407, U-9450, U-9467, U-9469, U-9596, U-9600, U-9708, U-9759, U-9808, and U-9807, pursuant to which Cascade Natural Gas Corporation was issued its present Certificate.

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4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That jurisdiction over this Cause is retained to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective this 28th day of March, 1968.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

ROBERT D. TIMM, Chairman

FRANCIS PEARSON, Commissioner

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DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

