

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of )  
 CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION for )  
 a Certificate of Public Convenience )  
 and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant )  
 for Hire in the general area or areas )  
 of Island County (Oak Harbor), and )  
 Snohomish County (Stanwood), Washing- )  
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CAUSE NO. U-9790  
 ORDER GRANTING  
 APPLICATION

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, a Washington Corporation, on August 11, 1967, filed 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 the Counties of Island and Snohomish, as described in Appendix A-21 of this order, which embraces the towns of Stanwood, Coupeville, and Oak Harbor and the Naval Air Base on Whidbey Island. This area is contiguous with the presently certified Arlington area.

Granting of this application was made contingent on Cascade Natural Gas Corporation receiving commitment from the Department of the Navy for service of natural gas to fire the now existing Oak Harbor Naval Air Station Central Power Plant; this load being basic to the economic feasibility of serving this area. Said commitment has been acknowledged by letter dated May 21, 1968, from Department of the Navy, Northwest Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, 1638 West Lawton Way, Seattle, Washington 98119 (re: 112:-CED:va NBY(U)-55782 Ser 11/188).

This region, as described by Appendix A-21, is an established agricultural and resort area which is actively developing, providing both immediate and future load potentials for natural gas in residential, commercial and light industrial applications. Franchises have been obtained in the name of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation to serve the towns of Stanwood and Oak Harbor and is being applied for in Coupeville.

In the opinion of the Commission the operation of a gas plant for hire by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation in the area applied for is in the best interest of the public.

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 areas in Snohomish and Island Counties.

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 areas in question.

6. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is capable of installing plant facilities to make natural gas service available in the additional areas it has requested.

7. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation has an adequate source of natural gas.

8. The operation of a gas plant for hire by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation in the additional areas applied for is or will be required by the public convenience and necessity.

9. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity presently held by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation should be amended to include the additional areas requested by the company.

O R D E R

1. 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 areas in Snohomish and Island Counties is approved as follows:

All of the incorporated towns of Stanwood, Oak Harbor, and Coupeville and additional portions of Snohomish and Island Counties adjacent thereto lying within the areas described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Sec. 1, T. 32 N., R. 5 E.W.M.; thence south along section lines to the southeast corner of Sec. 36 in said township; thence west along section lines to the intersection of the south line of Sec. 36, T. 32 N., R. 3 E., with the shoreline of Port Susan; thence northerly along the easterly shorelines of Port Susan, Davis Slough, and Skagit Bay to the intersection with the north line of Sec. 1, T. 32 N., R. 3 E.; thence east along section lines to the northeast corner of Sec. 1, T. 32 N., R. 5 E., the point of beginning.

All of Camano Island.

That portion of Whidbey Island north of T. 30 N.,

as further shown on Appendix A-21, 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

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3.

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-9819. 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, U-9807, and U-9819.

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 17th day of July, 1968.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

*Robert D. Timm*  
ROBERT D. TIMM, Chairman

*Francis Pearson*  
FRANCIS PEARSON, Commissioner

*Dayton A. Witten*  
DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

SEE APPENDIX A-2 AMENDED  
FOR ADJOINING AREA NORTH  
OF DECEPTION PASS

T. 33 E.

T. 32 E.

T. 31 E.



SEE APPENDIX A-10 FOR  
ADJOINING AREA

APPENDIX A-21  
 CAUSE NO. U-9790  
 CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION  
 BOUNDARY OF SERVICE AREA ———  
 STANWOOD, OAK HARBOR, AND VICINITY

WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION

DATE: JULY 17, 1968