

STATE OF WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Ref. No.: 4-1322

Docket No.: UG-980676

June 25, 1998

Mr. Larry E. Anderson, P.E. Vice President - Operations Cascade Natural Gas Corporation 222 Fairview Avenue North Seattle, Washington 98109-5312

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Subject: UG-980676 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

On May 1, 1998, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade) submitted an application to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in Grant County, Washington (Appendix A-15). The area requested is north of the city of Moses Lake and adjacent to Cascade's existing certificated area in Grant County.

On June 25, 1998, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission approved the application and issued an Order amending Cascade's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity in Docket UG-980676 in accordance with RCW 80.28.190. The aforementioned Certificate is enclosed.

For additional questions or comments in regard to this issue, please contact Mr. Steve Rieger at (360) 664-1322 with the Pipeline Safety Section. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Carole J. Washburn

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Executive Secretary

Enclosure

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

| In the Matter of the Application of | .) | |
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| CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION |) | |
| to Amend its Certificate of Public |) | DOCKET UG-980676 |
| Convenience and Necessity to |) | |
| Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in |) | ORDER GRANTING |
| the General Area of Grant County. |) | APPLICATION |
| |) | |

On May 1, 1998, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade), a Washington corporation, filed an application to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire, to include the additional area in Grant County. (Appendix A-15)

Cascade is presently certificated for and is now providing gas service in Grant County. Cascade is requesting a certificate to expand the service area north of the city of Moses Lake, Washington. The additional area requested is contiguous to the existing certificated area. (See Attachment 1 for the legal description.)

This filing requests no determination at this time as to the reasonableness of the gas pipeline facility to serve this addition to Cascade's service area, and recognizes the right of the Commission to determine such reasonable services and expenditures, together with the treatment of same, in any formal proceeding before the Commission dealing with Cascade's results of operation for ratemaking purposes.

It appears the application herein should be granted to satisfy the public convenience and necessity.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, a Washington 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 a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire as amended.
- 3. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation has filed an application to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, to include the additional area in Grant County that is contiguous to its presently certificated area in Grant County.
- 4. The operation of a gas plant for hire in the additional area requested is or will be required by the public convenience and necessity.

5. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire presently held by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, should be further amended to include the additional area applied for herein.

ORDER

- 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 within the certificated area in Grant County, is hereby approved and said Certificate shall be in accordance with attached Appendix A-15, which by this reference, is made a part hereof as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. 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. for the following service areas:

| Appendix | County | Cause No. | Appendix | County | Cause No. |
|----------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|---------------------|-----------|
| A-1 | Whatcom | UG-961077 | A-14 | Benton | U-9194 |
| A-2 | Skagit | UG-900727 | A-15 | Grant | U-9600 |
| A-3 | Grays Harbor | U-9873 | A-16 | Adams, Grant | U-74-19 |
| A-4 | Kitsap | UG-980462 | A-17 | Chelan, Grant | U-9872 |
| A-5 | Mason | U-9708 | A-18 | Whatcom | U-9819 |
| A-6 | Chelan | U-9239 | A-19* | Snohomish* | U-9860* |
| A-7 | Cowlitz | U-9264 | A-20* | Snohomish* | U-9860* |
| A-8 | Yakima | U-85-04 | A-21 | Island Snohomish | U-9790 |
| A-9 | Cowlitz | U-9708 | A-22 | Whatcom | U-85-76 |
| A-10 | Snohomish | U-9822 | A-23 | Whatcom | UG-900782 |
| A-11 | Benton | UG-970606 | A-24 | Whatcom | UG-940100 |
| A-12 | Benton | UG-971267 | A-25 | Whatcom | UG-940101 |
| A-13 | Asotin Walla Walla | U-74-19 | * Transfer | | |

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3. This Order makes no determination at this time as to the reasonableness of the gas pipeline facility to serve this addition to Cascade's service area, and recognizes the right of the Commission to determine such reasonable services and expenditures, together with the treatment of same, in any formal proceeding before the Commission dealing with Cascade's results of operation for ratemaking purposes.

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

DATED at Olympia, Washington and effective this 25th day of June, 1998.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN

Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1

A portion of Grant County to be added to Appendix A-15 described as follows:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Beginning at the southeast corner of Sec. 31, T. 20 N., R. 29 E.; thence north along the east line of Sec. 31 and 30, T. 20 N., R. 29 E., to the northeasterly corner of said Sec. 30; thence west along the north line of said Sec. 30, and along the north line of Sec. 25, and 26, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 26; thence north along the east line of Sec. 22, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northeasterly corner of said Sec. 22; thence west along the north line of Sec. 22, 21, and 20, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 20; thence south along the west line of Sec. 20, to the southwest corner of Sec. 20; thence west along the north line of Sec. 30, T 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 30; thence south along the west line of Sec. 30 and 31, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to a point where said line intersects the southerly shore line of Moses Lake; thence in a southeasterly direction along said shore line to a point where said line intersects the south line of Sec. 32, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., thence east along the south line of Sec. 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., and along the south line of Sec. 31, T 20 N., R. 29 E., to the southeast corner of said Sec. 31, the point of beginning.

APPENDIX A-15 AMEND:

CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION LEGAL DESCRIPTION APPENDIX A-15 DOCKET UG-980676

A portion of Grant County to be added to Appendix A-15 adjacent thereto lying within the area described as follows:

Sections 30, and 31 of Township 20 North, Range 29 East, W.M., and Sections 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36 of Township 20 North, Range 28 East, W.M.

APPENDIX A-15 AMENDED:

All of the incorporated area of the city of Moses Lake and additional portions of Grant County, Washington, adjacent thereto, lying within the area described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Sec. 5, T. 19 N., R. 29 E.W.M.; thence west along the north line of said Sec. 5 to its northwest corner; thence north along the east line of Sec. 31 and 30, T.

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20 N., R. 29 E., to the northeasterly corner of said Sec. 30; thence west along the north line of said Sec. 30, and along the north line of Sec. 25, and 26, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 26; thence north along the east line of Sec. 22, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northeasterly corner of said Sec. 22; thence west along the north line of Sec. 22, 21, and 20, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 20; thence south along the west line of Sec. 20. to the southwest corner of Sec. 20; thence west along the north line of Sec. 30, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to the northwest corner of said Sec. 30; thence south along the west line of Sec. 30, and 31, T. 20 N., R. 28 E., to a point where said point intersects the southerly shore line of Moses Lake; thence in a southeasterly direction along said shore line to a point where said line intersects the south line of Sec. 32, T. 20 N., R. 28 E.; thence in a southerly direction along said shore line to the U.S. Highway 10 bridge; thence following said bridge east to the easterly shore line of Moses Lake; thence following said shore line south to Pelican Horn; thence projecting across said waterway in a southeasterly direction and around Gailey's Island to the intersection of the north line of Sec. 9, T. 18 N., R. 28 E. with the shore line; thence south along the shore line through Sec. 9 and 16, to the intersection of the shore line with the south line of said Sec. 16; thence east along the south line of Sec. 16, 15, 14 and 13, T. 18 N., R. 28 E., along the south line of Sec. 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, and 13, T. 18 N., R. 29 E., and along the south line of Sec. 18, T. 18 N., R. 30 E., to the southeast corner of said Sec. 18; thence north along the east line of Sec. 18, 7 and 6, T. 18 N., R. 30 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 6; thence west along the north line of said Sec. 6, to its northwest corner; thence north along the east line of Sec. 36, T. 19 N., R. 29 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 36; thence west along the north line of said Sec. 36, and along the north line of Sec. 35, T. 19 N., R. 29 E., to its northwest corner; thence north along the east line of Sec. 27, 22 and 15, T. 19 N., R. 29 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 15; thence west along the north line of said Sec. 15 and the adjacent Sec. 16, to the northwest corner of said Sec. 16; thence north along the east line of Sec. 8 and 5, T. 19 N., R. 29 E., to the northeast corner of said Sec. 5, the point of beginning.