

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY for a)	CAUSE NO. U-9535
Certificate of Public Convenience)	
and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant)	ORDER GRANTING
for Hire in the general area or areas)	APPLICATION
of North Bonneville in Skamania County,)	
Washington.)	
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The Northwest Natural Gas Company, an Oregon corporation, filed with this Commission on May 8, 1964, an application to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to include the town of North Bonneville and adjacent areas in Skamania County, Washington. The company presently holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 amended, issued September 17, 1963, in Cause No. U-9471.

Northwest is presently certificated in the cities of Camas and Vancouver and the towns of Battle Ground, La Center, Ridgefield and Washougal and adjacent areas in Clark County, the towns of Bingen and White Salmon and adjacent areas in Klickitat County, and the community of Carson and adjacent area in Skamania County. The present certificate application encompasses all the incorporated area of the town of North Bonneville as well as adjacent areas all within the county of Skamania. North Bonneville is located between Northwest's Clark County operation and its operation in eastern Skamania County. Columbia Gas Company is certificated and operates a natural gas distribution system in the town of Stevenson and adjacent area which is contiguous to the area requested by Northwest. When notified of Northwest's application, Columbia informed the Commission it had no objection to Northwest being certificated for the area requested in its application.

Northwest Natural Gas submitted a feasibility study in support of its application which shows it is economically feasible to provide natural gas service in the North Bonneville area at this time. The main transmission pipeline of the El Paso Natural Gas Company traverses the requested area and provides a readily accessible source of natural gas. Arrangements have also been made with El Paso, subject to obtaining necessary regulatory approval, for an adequate supply of gas. Financing necessary plant facilities should present no problem to the company. Public convenience and necessity require that Northwest Natural Gas Company be certificated to operate a gas Plant in the area requested.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Northwest Natural Gas Company, an Oregon corporation, operates a gas plant for hire in this state and is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.

2. Northwest Natural Gas Company has heretofore been issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 1 amended, in Cause No. U-9471, dated September 17, 1963.

3. Northwest Natural Gas Company has made application to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to include the town of North Bonneville and additional areas in Skamania County, Washington.

4. Northwest Natural Gas Company has submitted a study showing it is economically feasible to provide natural gas service in the town of North Bonneville and adjacent areas.

5. Northwest Natural Gas Company has been assured an adequate source of natural gas for the area it seeks certification.

6. Northwest Natural Gas Company is fully qualified to finance and operate gas facilities in the additional area for which it has applied.

7. The operation of a gas plant for hire in the town of North Bonneville and adjacent area is required by public convenience and necessity.

8. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire presently held by Northwest Natural Gas Company should be amended to encompass the town of North Bonneville and adjacent area in Skamania County, Washington.

O R D E R

1. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED That the application of the Northwest Natural Gas Company to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to encompass the town of North Bonneville and adjacent area in Skamania County is approved for the area requested and the company's present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire be amended to include the area delineated as follows:

All of the incorporated area comprising the town of North Bonneville in Skamania County, Washington, and other portions of the county described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Section 3, T. 2 N., R. 7 E., W.M., Skamania County, Washington; thence west along the north section lines of Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 of T. 2 N., R. 7 E., W.M., to the northwest corner of said Section 6; thence south along the west section lines of Sections 6, 7, 18, 19, 30 and 31 to the centerline of the channel of the Columbia River, said centerline being the common line between the boundaries of the states of Oregon and Washington; thence northeasterly along the centerline of the channel of said Columbia River to the

north section line of Section 14 of T. 2 N., R. 7 E., W.M.; thence west along the north section line of said Section 14 to the northwest corner of said Section 14; thence north along the east section lines of Sections 10 and 3 of T. 2 N., R. 7 E., W.M. to the northeast corner of said Section 3 and the point of beginning,

and as further shown on Appendix A-4, 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. 1 as amended and issued to Northwest Natural Gas Company on September 17, 1963, in Cause No. U-9471. Said Certificate of September 17, 1963, 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-8826, U-8827, U-8883, U-9411 and U-9471, pursuant to which Northwest Natural Gas Company was granted its present Certificate.

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 8th day of June, 1964.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Francis Pearson

FRANCIS PEARSON, Chairman

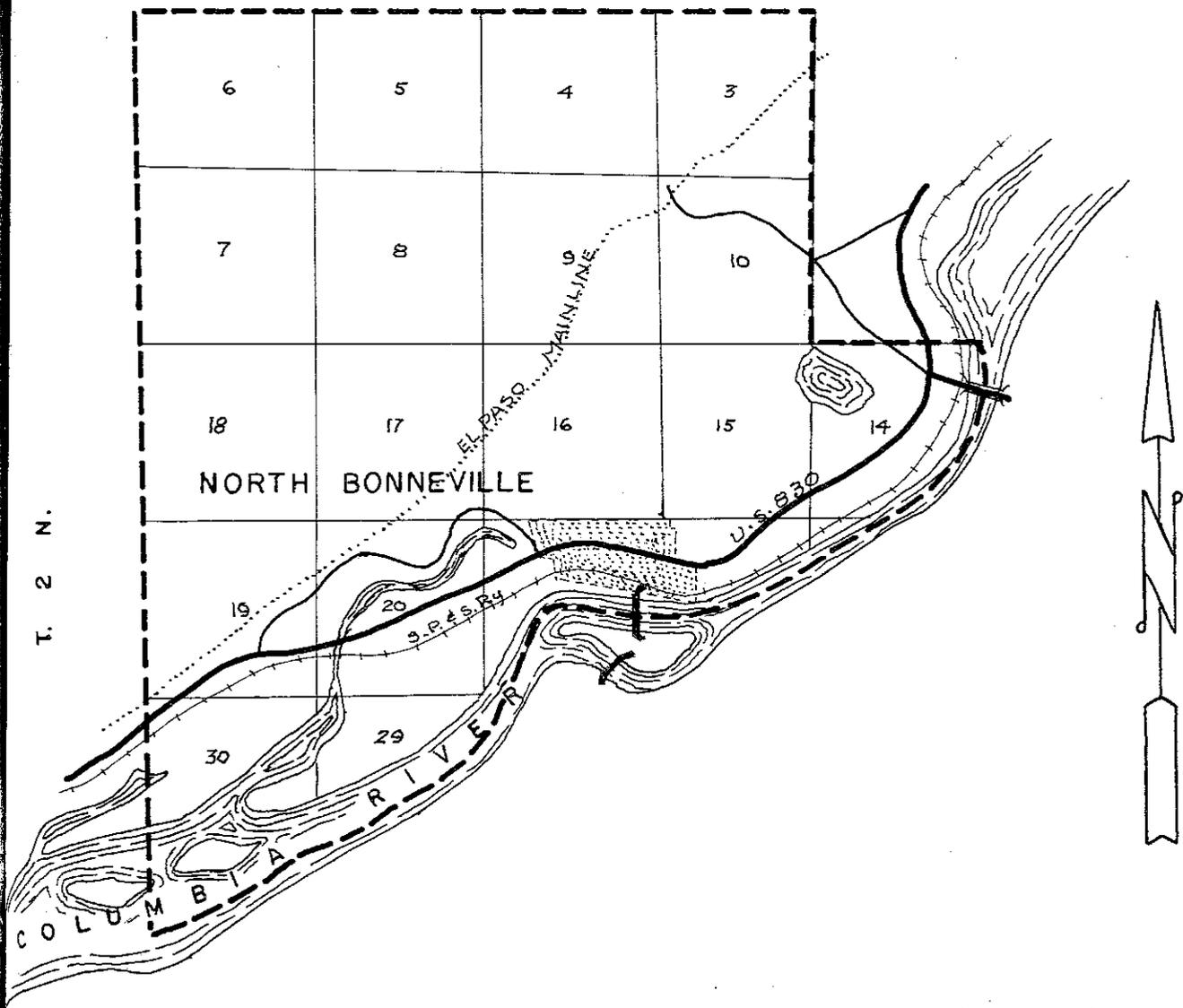
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APPENDIX A-4

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NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

BOUNDARY OF SERVICE AREA - - - - -

NORTH BONNEVILLE AND VICINITY,
SKAMANIA COUNTY

WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

DATE: JUNE 8, 1964

BY: T.W.