

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of )  
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY for a )  
Certificate of Public Convenience ) CAUSE NO. U-9686  
and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant )  
for Hire in the general area or areas ) ORDER GRANTING  
of the unincorporated communities of ) APPLICATION  
Klickitat and Dallesport in Klickitat )  
County, Washington. )  
. . . . . )

The Northwest Natural Gas Company, an Oregon corporation, filed with this Commission, April 19, 1966, an application to amend its present Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire to include additional area in Klickitat County, Washington. The company presently holds Certificate of Public Convenience No. 1 amended, issued June 8, 1964, in Cause No. U-9535.

Northwest is presently certificated and operates gas plants in the cities of Camas and Vancouver and the towns of Battle Ground, La Center, Ridgefield, Washougal and adjacent areas in Clark County, the town of North Bonneville and community of Carson and adjacent area in Skamania County, the towns of Bingen and White Salmon and adjacent areas in Klickitat County. The area encompassed in this certificate application is all in Klickitat County and extends about 23 miles east from the company's Bingen-White Salmon service area and is north of the Columbia River. The requested area is largely rural and the only communities of any size are Dallesport and Klickitat, both of which are unincorporated.

As part of its application Northwest included a feasibility study to support its application. The study recognizes the area is sparsely settled, but it appears a number of possible industrial sites along the Columbia River present potential industrial development possibilities. The community of Klickitat, while unincorporated, has a population of approximately 622 and represents a potential market for natural gas and the study indicates it is economically feasible to serve that area with gas. The main pipeline of the El Paso Natural Gas Company, which traverses the requested area as well as a lateral pipeline to the City of The Dalles, provides a readily accessible source of natural gas. Arrangements have been made with El Paso, subject to obtaining necessary regulatory approval, for an adequate supply of gas. The company should have no problem in financing the required plant facilities. Public convenience and necessity require that Northwest Natural Gas Company be certificated to operate a gas plant in the area requested in this Cause.

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-9535, dated June 8, 1964.

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 communities of Dallesport and Klickitat and additional area in Klickitat County, Washington.

4. Northwest Natural Gas Company has submitted a study showing it is economically feasible to provide natural gas service in the requested area.

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 area requested in this Cause 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 communities of Dallesport and Klickitat and adjacent area in Klickitat 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 communities of Dallesport and Klickitat and adjacent area in Klickitat 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 additional area delineated as follows:

All of the area comprising the communities of Dallesport and Klickitat in Klickitat County, Washington, and other portions of the county described as follows:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the centerline of the channel of the Columbia River with the southerly

extension of the west line of Section 34, T. 3 N., R. 11 E.W.M., Klickitat County, Washington; thence easterly along the centerline of the channel of the said Columbia River, said centerline being the boundary line between the states of Oregon and Washington and also forming the southerly boundary of Klickitat County, Washington, to the point of intersection of said river channel centerline with the east line of Section 17, T. 2 N., R. 15 E.; thence north along the east line of Sections 17, 8 and 5, T. 2 N., R. 15 E., to the northeast corner of said Section 5; thence west along the north line of Sections 5 and 6, T. 2 N., R. 15 E.; thence continuing west along the north line of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, T. 2 N., R. 14 E. to the northwest corner of said Section 5; thence north along the east line of Sections 31, 30, 19, 18, 7 and 6, T. 3 N., R. 14 E.; thence continuing north along the east line of Sections 31, 30, 19 and 18, T. 4 N., R. 14 E., to the northeast corner of said Section 18; thence west along the north line of said Section 18; thence continuing west along the north line of Sections 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, T. 4 N., R. 13 E., to the northwest corner of said Section 17; thence south along the west line of Sections 17, 20, 29 and 32, T. 4 N., R. 13 E., to the southwest corner of said Section 32; thence west along the north line of Section 6, T. 3 N., R. 13 E.; thence continuing west along the north line of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, T. 3 N., R. 12 E.; thence continuing west along the north line of Sections 1, 2 and 3, T. 3 N., R. 11 E., to the northwest corner of said Section 3; thence south along the west line of Sections 3, 10, 15, 22, 27 and 34, T. 3 N., R. 11 E.; thence continuing south along the southerly extension of the west line of said Section 34 to its intersection with the centerline of the channel of the Columbia River and the point of beginning,

and as further shown on Appendix A-5, 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 June 8, 1964, in Cause No. U-9535. Said Certificate of June 8, 1964, 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, U-9471 and U-9535, 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 15th day of July, 1966.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FRANCIS PEARSON, Chairman

PATRICK D. SUTHERLAND, Commissioner

DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of )  
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY for a )  
Certificate of Public Convenience ) CAUSE NO. U-9471  
and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant )  
for Hire in the general area or areas ) SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL  
of Battle Ground and Ridgefield, in ) ORDER  
Clark County, Washington. )  
. . . . . )

The Northwest Natural Gas Company presently holds Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire, No. 1 amended, issued July 15, 1966, in Cause No. U-9686. It has been brought to the Commission's attention there appears to be the need for clarification with regards to a small horseshoe-shaped section of Clark County located south of Woodland in Cowlitz County.

It seems that a number of years ago when a new state highway was constructed just south of Woodland, the north fork of the Lewis River was routed to a new channel. As a result a small area of Clark County was separated from the main part of the county by the new river channel. In Cause No. U-9471, the Northwest Natural Gas Company applied for and was certificated for the north part of Clark County with the Lewis River as the boundary line. In delineating the area by metes and bounds it refers to the center line of the Lewis River as a boundary with no reference to the original or new channel. The map associated with the metes and bounds follows the original channel of the river and includes the horseshoe-shaped piece of Clark County in Northwest's certificated area.

This piece of land is isolated from Clark County by the river and would require a river or highway bridge crossing if Northwest attempted to serve the area. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, which has been certificated for that part of Cowlitz County surrounding the area in question, is willing and able to provide gas service to that part of Clark County. Northwest has been contacted and has no objection to removing the area from its certificated areas and certifying it to Cascade.

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-9686, dated July 15, 1966.
3. Northwest Natural Gas Company has been certificated

for the north part of Lewis County, Washington, with the Lewis River marking part of the boundary of its certificated area.

4. A section of the Lewis River has been rerouted to a new channel and there is a question whether the original or new channel should mark the boundary of the Northwest Natural Gas Company's certificated area in Clark County.

5. Northwest Natural Gas Company has no interest in serving that area of Clark County which was isolated from the main part of Clark County by the change in the river channel.

6. Northwest Natural Gas Company's gas certificate should be amended to definitely show that the present channel of the Lewis River is the boundary of its Clark County certificated area.

#### O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED That the Northwest Natural Gas Company's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in the north part of Clark County be amended to remove that part of Clark County in Section 19, T. 5 N., R. 1 E.W.M., and Section 24, T. 5 N., R. 1 W.W.M., which is west of the present channel of the Lewis River, the company's certificated area in the north part of Clark County is delineated as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Sec. 24, T. 2 N., R. 3 E.W.M.; thence northerly along the east line of R. 3 N., to its intersection with the Lewis River; thence westerly and southwesterly along the Lewis River to its confluence with the Columbia River; thence southerly along the main channel of the Columbia River to its intersection with the south line of Sec. 12, T. 3 N., R. 1 W.; thence east along the south line of said Sec. 12, projected to the southeast corner of Sec. 12, T. 3 N., R. 2 E.; thence south along the west line of Sec. 18, T. 3 N., R. 3 E., projected to the southwest corner of Sec. 19, T. 2 N., R. 3 E.; thence east along the south line of said Sec. 19, projected to the southeast corner of Sec. 24, T. 2 N., R. 3 E., the point of beginning,

and as further shown on Appendix A-3 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. 1 as amended and issued to Northwest Natural Gas Company on July 15, 1966, in Cause No. U-9686. Said Certificate of July 15, 1966, 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, U-9535, U-9686, and U-9471, including the First Supplemental Order in the latter Cause, 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 12th day of September, 1966.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FRANCIS PEARSON, Chairman

PATRICK D. SUTHERLAND, Commissioner

DAYTON A. WITTEN, Commissioner

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in the general area or areas of the unincorporated communities of Klickitat and Dallesport in Klickitat County, Washington.

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OFFICE OF FRANCIS F. HILL

No. U-9686

Mailed from Olympia, Wash.

July 15, 1966

To Mr. Francis F. Hill, President  
Northwest Natural Gas Company  
735 S. W. Morrison  
Portland, Oregon 97205

GREETING:

Enclosed please find

one certified and two conformed copies of Order Granting Application, dated July 15, 1966, and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 1, as amended July 15, 1966,

in above entitled cause. Please accept service thereof on the enclosed form, typewritten portion of which is a carbon copy of the corresponding portion hereof, which form may be mailed to this Commission, Olympia, Washington, without letter of transmittal.

Respectfully,

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

By

*Robert D. Thomas*  
Executive Secretary

*Pat Hill*  
*Northwest Natural Gas Co. 735 S. W. Morrison Portland, Oregon*



September 19, 1966

Mr. Robert D. Timm, Secretary  
Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
Olympia, Washington 98502

Re: Cause No. U-9471, Second  
Supplemental Order dated  
September 12, 1966

Dear Mr. Timm:

In accordance with paragraph 2. of the  
Commission's Second Supplemental Order in the above  
enumerated cause, I am returning herewith the  
Company's Certificate to Operate a Gas Plant for  
Hire No. 1 as Amended and issued on July 15, 1966  
in Cause No. U-9686.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Cook  
Senior Vice President

WAC:jv  
Enc.

*(Copy filed in Docket U-9471)*

*original order and  
Certificate filed in  
administration: Wash. - Reg. Dec. 19 1966*

*Docket U-9686 - (1966) - Certif. Hearing - See exhibit 14 for letter parts.*

August 3, 1966

Mr. Robert D. Timm, Secretary  
Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
Olympia, Washington 98502

Re: Application of Northwest Natural  
Gas Company in Cause No. U-9686

Dear Mr. Timm:

In accordance with paragraph 2. of the  
Commission's Order in the above enumerated cause,  
I am returning herewith the Company's Certificate  
to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire No. 1 as Amended and  
issued on June 8, 1964 in Cause No. U-9535.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Cook  
Senior Vice President

WAC:jv

Enc.

June 2, 1966

Mr. Robert D. Timm, Secretary  
Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
Olympia, Washington 98501

Dear Mr. Timm:

Your File No. UT-6444  
U-9686

In making the estimates for Klickitat and Dallesport,  
the following annual factors were used:

1. Residential Spaceheating Customers  
900 Therms  
\$140 Revenue
2. Small Commercial Customers  
1,000 Therms  
\$200 Revenue
3. Commercial Spaceheating Customers  
2,800 Therms  
\$450 Revenue
4. Large Commercial Customer (1 in Dallesport)  
15,000 Therms  
\$2,000 Revenue

If you have need of additional information please let  
us know.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Cook  
Senior Vice President

WAC:jv

*WAC:jv*  
*10-25-66*

April 18, 1966

Mr. Robert D. Timm, Secretary  
Washington Utilities and  
Transportation Commission  
Olympia, Washington 98502

Dear Mr. Timm:

Transmitted herewith for filing with the Commission are an original and two conformed copies of an Application of Northwest Natural Gas Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire in the areas of the unincorporated communities of Klickitat and Dallesport in Klickitat County, Washington. The application contemplates an amendment of the Company's existing Certificate No. 1 and is filed under the provisions of RCW 80.28.191 (Section 4, Chapter 316, Laws of 1955).

I am enclosing herewith the required \$25.00 filing fee. The Commission's favorable action on this application is respectfully requested.

Very truly yours,

Harold W. Pierce  
Attorney for  
Northwest Natural Gas Company

HWP:jv  
Enc.

*Handwritten note at bottom of page: Northwest Natural Gas Company, 1400 1st St., Dallesport, WA 98549*

Original Certificate returned to  
Washington Commission with transmittal  
letter of September 19, 1966 (this file)  
in accordance with Second Supplemental  
Order dated September 12, 1966, Cause  
No. 9471 (see this file for Original  
Order, duplicate of order also filed in  
U-9471 file)

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
~~WASHINGTON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION~~

**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY  
TO OPERATE A GAS PLANT FOR HIRE**

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

(Name)

of 735 S. W. Morrison, Portland, Oregon 97205 is hereby authorized  
(Address)

to operate a gas plant for hire in the general area or areas of: Camas, Washougal, Vancouver, Battle Ground and Ridgefield in Clark County; Dallesport, Klickitat, Bingen and White Salmon in Klickitat County; North Bonneville in Skamania County; and areas adjacent to each of the foregoing, as more particularly designated on Appendices A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4 and A-5, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, each such appendix consisting of a map and attached legal description.

as more particularly designated on "Exhibit A" of certificate holder's application, as "Exhibit A" has been or may be amended. Said "Exhibit A" is on file with the Commission and is open to public inspection.

**CONDITIONS:**

1. Any gas plant operated by virtue of this certificate must be operated in accordance with the Laws of the State of Washington and the Rules and Regulations of this Commission.
2. This certificate must be kept on file at the main office of the gas company except when directed to be transmitted to the Commission, and shall be subject at all times to inspection by the authorized representatives of the Commission.
3. This certificate shall be subject to revocation and cancellation by the Commission upon a showing of procurement by false affidavit or representation.
4. This certificate is subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the orders in Cause No. U-8826, Effective December 16, 1955; Cause No. U-8827, effective December 23, 1955; Cause No. U-8883, effective July 17, 1956; Cause No. U-9411, effective November 5, 1962; Cause No. U-9471, effective August 20, 1963; First Supplemental Order in Cause No. U-9471, effective September 17, 1963; and Cause No. U-9535, effective June 3, 1964.
5. This certificate is subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the order in Cause No. U-9686, effective July 15, 1966, pursuant to which this certificate is issued.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

*This certificate is issued upon finding by the ~~Washington Public Service Commission~~ that public convenience and necessity requires or will require such operation in accordance with section 4, chapter 316, Laws of 1955, and*

Order No. U-9686 Dated July 15, 1966

Dated at Olympia, Washington, July 15, 1966

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
~~WASHINGTON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION~~

By *[Signature]*  
Secretary

This Certificate - Cause No. U-9708 - issued to Cascade Natural Gas Corporation, required a correction in the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued to Northwest Natural Gas Company in Docket U-9686 (1966).

The corrected Certificate issued to Northwest Natural is filed in Docket U-9686 (1966) - Certificate Hrg.- Klickitat & Dallesport.