BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application of) DOCKET NO. UG-061721)
MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. AND CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION) PETITION TO INTERVENE OF) LONGVIEW FIBRE))
For an Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction)))

Pursuant to WAC § 480-07-355, Longview Fibre hereby petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("WUTC" or "Commission") for leave to intervene in the above-referenced Docket, as an intervenor with full party status as described in WAC § 480-07-340. The business address of Longview Fibre is:

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The administrative rules at issue are WAC §§ 480-07-340, -355.

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Longview Fibre currently purchases natural gas transportation service from Cascade Natural Gas Corporation ("Cascade"). Longview Fibre seeks to intervene in this proceeding to ensure that the proposed acquisition complies with Washington law and will not harm Longview Fibre.

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Longview Fibre has a substantial interest in the proposed transaction.

Longview Fibre will review issues regarding the proposed acquisition's impacts on rates and the quality of service that Longview Fibre and other customers receive from Cascade.

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Longview Fibre's intervention in this proceeding will assist the Commission in resolving the issues and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay this proceeding.

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As described above, Longview Fibre has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding that will not be adequately represented by any other party, and may be affected by any Commission determination made in connection with this proceeding. It is in the public interest to allow Longview Fibre to intervene in this proceeding.

leave to intervene in this proceeding.

Dated in Portland, Oregon, this 5th day of December, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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