

**BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of

CASCADE NATURAL GAS  
CORPORATION

For an Order Extending Cascade Natural Gas'  
Decoupling Mechanism Until Its Next Full  
General Rate Case or Beyond

Docket No. UG-152286

Motion to Amend Order 04

In accordance with WAC 480-07-875(1) Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (“Cascade” or the “Company”) respectfully requests the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“Commission”) amend Order 04 in the above-referenced docket which authorized Cascade to implement a decoupling mechanism similar to those the Commission has approved for Puget Sound Energy and Avista Corporation. Specifically, Cascade seeks to extend its decoupling mechanism until its next full general rate case expected to be filed in late-2022 or early-2023, thus allowing the matter to be fully adjudicated on whether the mechanism should be sustained or abolished. The Company has discussed this Motion with Commission Staff.

In support of this Motion, Cascade states:

**1. CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION**

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is a public utility engaged in the distribution of natural gas in the states of Washington and Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with regard to its rates, service, and accounting practices.

**2. STATUTORY AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-875(1), the Commission may alter, amend, or rescind any order that it has previously entered.

**3. COMMUNICATIONS**

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#### **4. BACKGROUND**

In Docket No. UG-152286 the Company proposed, and the Commission authorized, a revenue-per-customer decoupling mechanism similar to ones previously approved for Puget Sound Energy and Avista Corporation. The allowed revenue per customer has been determined by rate group for bundled residential, commercial, and industrial customers. The mechanism includes a 3.0 percent maximum annual rate adjustment. The current mechanism will have its final deferral amount recorded in September 2021 and its final decoupling mechanism adjustment charge or credit billing will occur on December 31, 2022. The Company filed its decoupling mechanism third-party program audit report on March 12, 2021, under Docket No. UG-152286, which recommended the continuance of the mechanism.

#### **5. CASCADE PROPOSAL**

Cascade is requesting to extend its decoupling mechanism until its next full general rate case which is expected to be filed in late-2022 or early-2023, thus allowing the matter to be fully adjudicated on whether the mechanism should be sustained or abolished.

#### **6. CONCLUSION**

Cascade respectfully requests that the Commission extend Cascade Natural Gas' decoupling mechanism until its next full general rate case.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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