BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

CASCADE NATURAL GAS COMPANY.

Respondent.

DOCKET UG-240008

STEFAN DE VILLIERS ON BEHALF OF THE WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT

EXHIBIT SDV-8

Cascade's Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 99

September 25, 2024

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket UG-240008 Cascade Natural Gas Corporation 2024 General Rate Case

PUBLIC COUNSEL DATA REQUEST NO. 99:

Re: Line Extension Allowances

Acknowledging the Company's claim in its response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 1 that it cannot identify all line extension investments specifically relating to customer growth, please provide an estimate of the share (as a percentage) of total investment from line extension allowances covering main and service line extensions, versus covering other line extension investments (referred to in Public Counsel Data Request No. 98). Provide this estimate either in aggregate (percentage of total investment from line extension allowances covering main and service line extensions) or with regards to a typical project, as defined by the Company (percentage of the investment from a typical line extension allowance covering main and service line extensions).

Response:

Please refer to Cascade Natural Gas Corporation's ("Cascade") Response and attachment to Public Counsel Data Request No. 100, which lists ten line extension projects. For nine of the ten projects listed, 100% of the line extension cost is only for main and service line extensions. The line extension cost for Project 7 includes both main and service extensions and a new regulator station. For Project 7, the total cost is \$341,960, of which the main and service extension portion of the cost is \$217,959, and the regulator station portion of the cost is \$124,000. Therefore, in Project 7, 64% of the cost is for main and service extensions, and 36% of the cost is for the regulator station. Please note, a project similar to Project 7 does not occur frequently.