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## Today's Agenda



Welcome

Background & Context

Estimated Potential – AEG Presentation

AWEC Comments

**Program Implementation** 

Cost-Effectiveness Evaluation

Next Steps

## 2 Minutes for Safety:

July is UV safety awareness month

#### **Ultraviolet** (UV) rays:

- 3 types (UVA, UVB, UVC)
- are invisible
- can come from the sun, tanning beds, & sun lamps
- can penetrate & change skin cells
- UVB rays primarily cause sunburn while
   UVA rays penetrate deeper into the skin



#### Protect yourself:

- Look for broad spectrum sunscreen (protects against both UVA & UVB)
- Wear U.P.F rated clothing
- Cotton and denim can also provide some protection
- Wear UV-absorbent sunglasses
- Stay hydrated

## Procedures for Participation

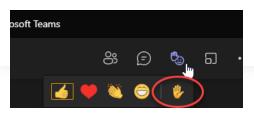


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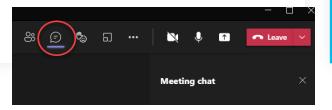
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## **NW Natural Transportation Customers**

Transportation customers are gas customers that purchase their own gas wholesale and pay NW Natural to transport it to their site via the Company's system.

They're typically large industrial facilities, but there is a smaller subsect of commercial transportation customers.

The 10 biggest transport users in Oregon make up roughly 64% of NW Natural's Oregon transportation load.

## Changing Carbon Policy

Climate Protection Program (CPP) in Oregon

- Requires 50% reduction in NW Natural's customer emissions by 2035 and 90% by 2050
- NW Natural is responsible for all transport customers

Climate
Commitment
Act (CCA) in
Washington

- Requires 95% reduction in Washington's emissions by 2050
- NW Natural is responsible for non EITE transport customers under 25,000 metric tons of GHG emissions

## Current Transportation Efforts

## Oregon

- Transportation Potential Study
- LBNL 50001 Ready Cohort
- 50% Carbon Reduction Audit

#### Staff Recommendations



OPUC Staff Recommendation 23: NW Natural should convene a stakeholder group immediately following the conclusion of the IRP to establish a transport customer efficiency program in time to be able to report on its status in the 2024 IRP update.

OPUC Staff Recommendation 24: NW Natural, in the development of a transport customer efficiency program for 2024, should explore and share findings regarding an incentive that would adequately incentivize efficiency, but would not be applied as a flat, per therm rate to usage reductions for operational, economic, or other reasons.

# Estimated Transportation Energy Efficiency Potential



# NW Natural OR Transport Customer Potential Study

Date: July 10th, 2023

Prepared for: NW Natural Stakeholder Workshop



#### **AEG** Introduction



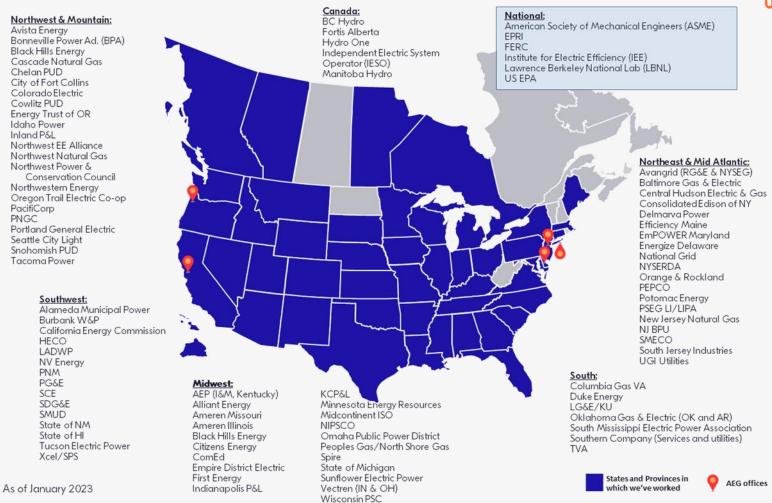


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## Study Objectives

- 1. Assess the potential for energy efficiency to reduce energy consumption and on-site GHG emissions for NW Natural Oregon transport customers as a result of Oregon's Climate Protection Program (CPP).
- 2. Efficiently leverage information and assumptions from the potential study AEG performed for NW Natural's Washington service territory in 2021.
- 3. Incorporate NW Natural data and insights to understand how Oregon transport customers use natural gas and prioritize energy efficiency upgrades.

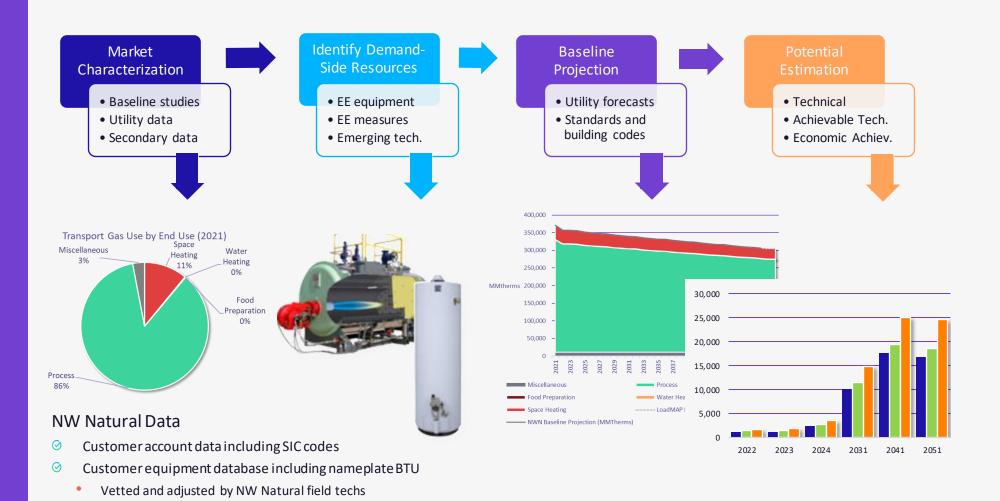




## Methodology



## AEG's Modeling Approach



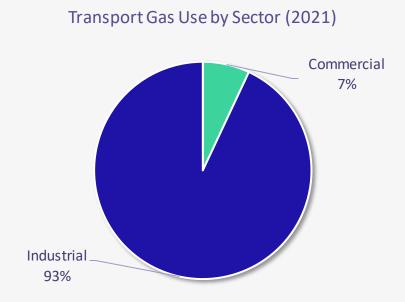
Washington CPA conducted by AEG served as a starting point for many measure characterizations and applicable market/adoption rate assumption

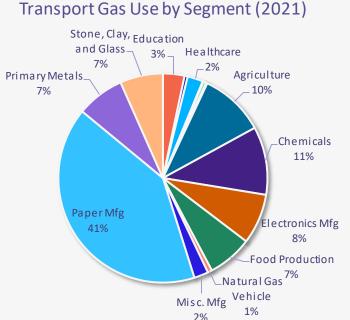
Transport customer class energy totals and forecast

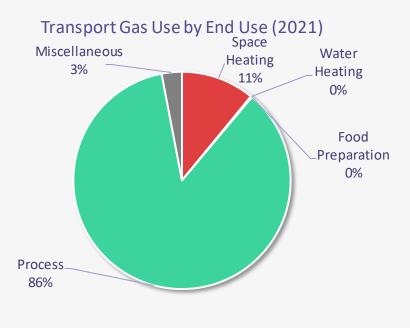
#### Market Characterization



- Define energy-consumption characteristics in the base year of the study (2021).
- Incorporates NW Natural's actual consumption and customer counts to develop "Control Totals" values to which the model will be calibrated.
- Grounds the analysis in NW Natural data and provides enough detail to project assumptions forward to develop a baseline energy projection.
- After separating gas consumption into sectors and segments, it is allocated to specific end uses and technologies.







## Considerations for this Analysis



- Available potential is largely a function of baseline consumption segments
   with the highest baseline consumption are likely to have the highest potential
- Potential studies rely on average information, which may not reflect conditions or opportunities for any single customer
  - This is particularly relevant for this study, where a small number of customers represent a large share of transport load
  - Ramp rates are derived from the Northwest Power and Conservation Council's 2021
     Power Plan and reflect expected adoption across a broad set of customers. Actual
     adoption of energy efficiency for large transport customers may be lumpier based on
     cycles for implementing large capital projects
- Equipment data provided from NW Natural's system contain some uncertainty around frequency of use which could affect the actual impact of measures





## **Potential Results**

## Total Resource Cost vs. Utility Cost Test

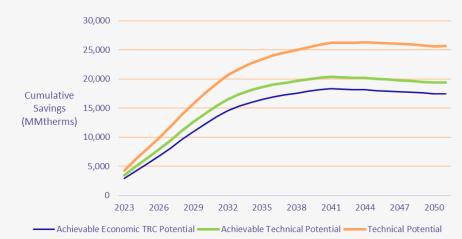


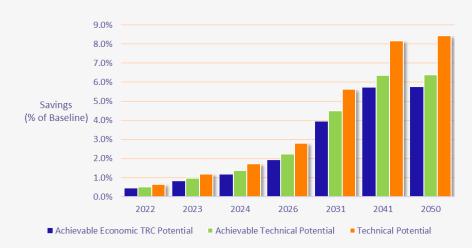
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## Cumulative Energy Efficiency Potential



- AEG assessed potential for technical, achievable technical, and achievable economic scenarios.
- Economic screening is from a Total Resource Cost (TRC) perspective, including the commodity cost of natural gas.
- Potential was estimated over a 30-year period, though most potential is assumed to be acquired within the first 20 years.
- Cumulative Achievable Technical Potential by 2031 is estimated at 15.4 million therms (4.5% of baseline sales), growing to 20.4 million therms (6.4%) by 2041.
- Most of the Achievable Technical Potential is expected to be cost-effective from a TRC perspective.
  - TRC Cost-effective potential is estimated at 13.4 million therms (3.9% of baseline) in 2031, growing to 18.4 million therms (5.7%) by 2041.





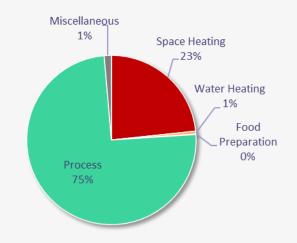
## Cumulative Potential by End Use and Segment



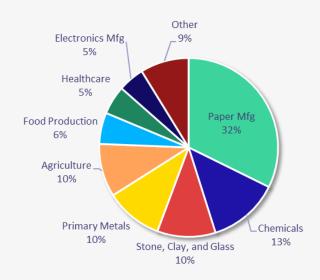
#### Achievable Economic Potential in 2041

- Savings are generally proportional to consumption in the base period
- Space heating savings come mainly from the commercial segments (Education and Healthcare) and have some easier/cheaper interventions compared to Process
- ☑ A large potion (32%) of potential comes from the Paper segment where there are only a few customers

2041 Savings by End Use



2041 Savings by Segment



## Thank You.

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## **AWEC Perspective**

## Program Implementation

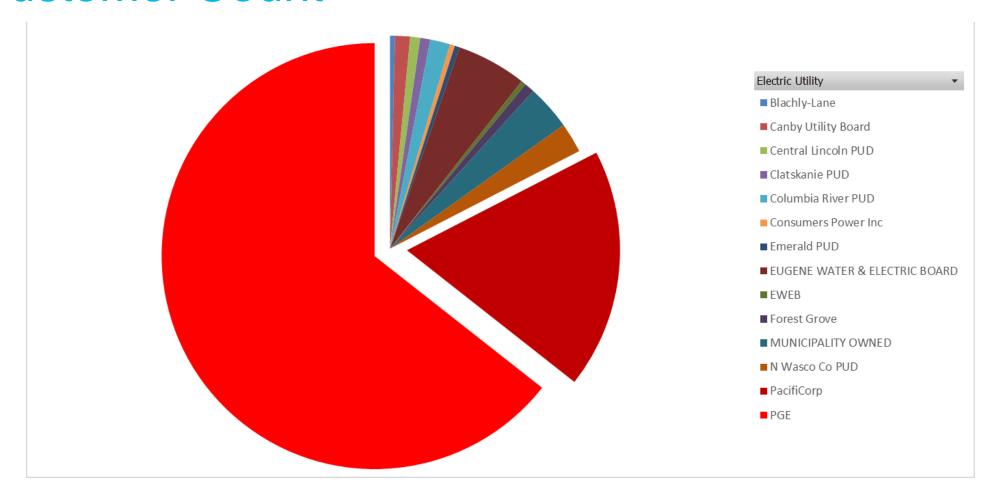
## **Program Opportunities**



- Transportation customers are a unique group of customers that vary in size and needs. Additional programs to target decarbonization of the largest customers may be prudent
- Energy Trust has been running industrial programs which may directly benefit a large portion of transport customers, as is
- NW Natural would like to have multiple programs to maximize achievable savings
- Multiple entities have important relationships with the customers which are important for implementing programs
  - NW Natural account managers and industrial technicians regularly meet with large customers
  - Energy Trust has established relationships serving customers in electric IOU territory
  - AWEC represents large customer needs and interests, for both gas and electric

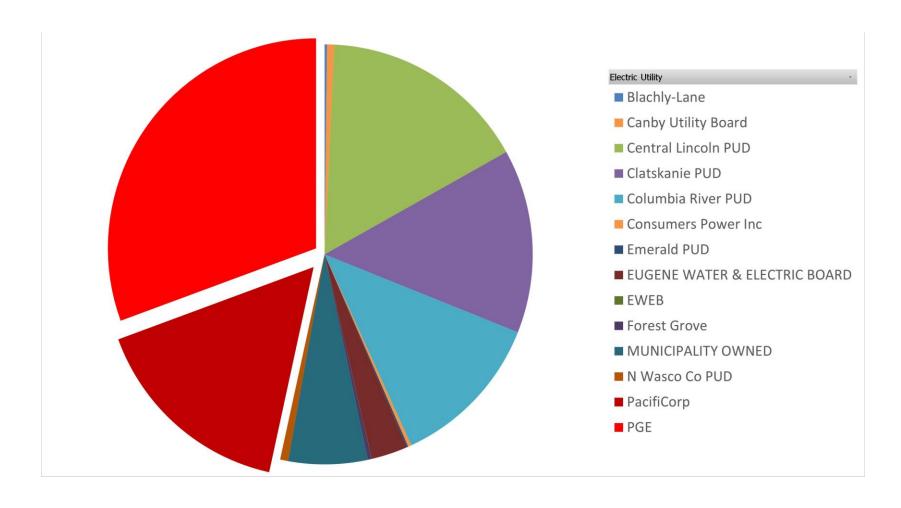
## Electric Providers by 2022 Transport Customer Count





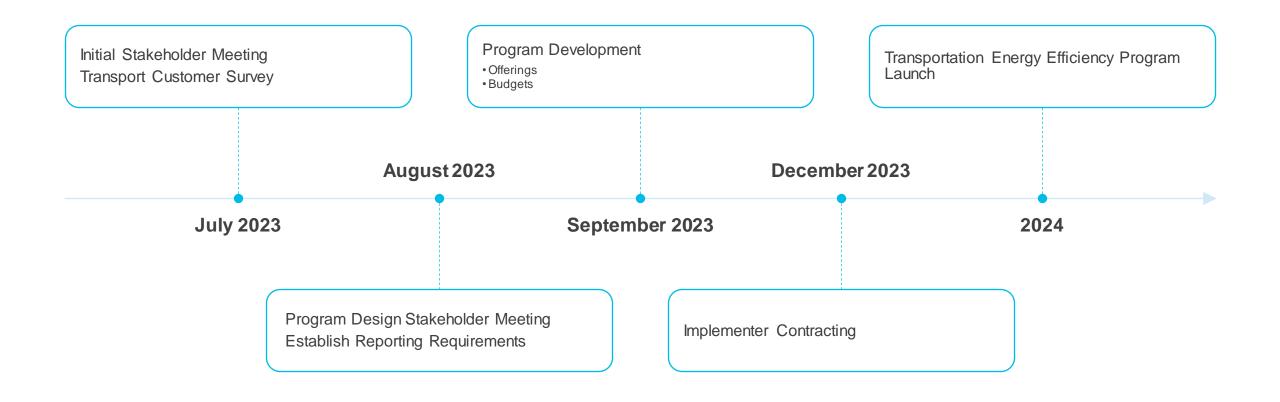
## Electric Providers by 2022 Transport Usage





## Program Implementation Timeline





## Program Design Meeting



- NW Natural will send all transport customers a survey to gather feedback on their priorities for a program that delivers energy efficiency.
- Potential Program Design Meeting topics:
  - Program delivery
  - Eligible technology and projects
  - Reporting and evaluation requirements

## Cost-Effectiveness

#### **Discussion Questions**



- Which cost-effectiveness tests are appropriate for transportation EE (TRC, UCT, RIM, PCT)?
- What avoided cost components need to be included as benefits for transportation EE?
- Are there other benefit elements to be included?
- How should the amount of the incentive for transportation EE be determined?
- Is the incentive equitable to other customer types?

## EE cost-effectiveness evaluation methods and avoided costs for firm sale customers



The foundation of cost-effectiveness analysis for all demand-side resources is based on the <u>California Standard Practice Manual (</u>2001) \*

- Participant Cost Test (PCT)
- Rate Impact Measure (RIM)
- Total Resource Cost (TRC)
- Utility Cost Test (UCT) or Program Administrator Cost Test (PACT)
- Societal Cost Test (SCT)

<sup>\*</sup> https://www.raponline.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/cpuc-standardpractice-manual-2001-10.pdf

### **Elements of Cost Effectiveness Tests**



Elements		TRC	UCT/PACT	RIM	PCT	SCT
	Avoided costs	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$
(0	Bill reductions				$\sqrt{}$	
Benefits	Conservation credits	$\sqrt{}$				$\sqrt{}$
3en	Non energy benefits					$\sqrt{}$
ш	Indirect fuel benefits	$\sqrt{}$				$\sqrt{}$
	Incentives/rebates				$\sqrt{}$	
	Implementation costs	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$
ဟ	Direct customer costs	$\sqrt{}$			$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
Costs	Program Admin and M&V	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$
	Incentives/rebates			$\sqrt{}$		
	Reduced sales			$\sqrt{}$		

## Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO) methods



Total resource cost test (TRC) and utility cost test (UCT) are directed by OPUC

	Total Resource Cost Test (TRC)	Utility Cost Test (UCT)		
Purpose	To determine whether to provide an incentive for an energy-efficiency measure.	To help determine the maximum allowable amount of the incentive.		
Measure passes if	The value of the energy saved exceeds the total cost of the measure, and the cost of the energy-efficiency resource provides good value to all utility customers and the participating customer.	The value of the energy saved exceeds the cost of the incentive, and the cost of the energy-efficiency resource provides good value to all utility customers.		
Benefits calculation	Savings from avoiding the use of more expensive energy     Quantifiable non-energy benefits to the participating customer or the utility, like water savings or operations and maintenance benefits	Savings from avoiding the use of more expensive energy.		
Costs calculation	Amount of incentive     Remaining amount of participant's costs	Amount of incentive		
Calculation used by Energy Trust	(Lifetime (Savings) • (Avoided Costs) + (Non-Energy Benefits)) / Total Cost of Measure	(Lifetime (Savings) • (Avoided Costs)) / Incentive Amount		

Source: Energy Trust of Oregon. https://www.energytrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/GEN\_FS\_CostEffectiveness.pdf

## Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO) methods (continued)



#### Cost-Effectiveness Screen



 Energy Trust utilizes the Total Resource Cost (TRC) test to screen measures for cost effectiveness



- If TRC is > 1.0, it is cost-effective
- Measure Benefits:
  - Avoided Costs (provided by NWN)
    - Annual measure savings x NPV avoided costs per therm
  - Quantifiable Non-Energy Benefits
    - Water savings, etc.

#### Total Measure Costs:

 The customer cost of installing an EE measure (full cost if retrofit, incremental over baseline if replacement)

Source: Energy Trust of Oregon, Slide 74 in TWG4\_AvoidedCostandDemandSideResource\_April\_13\_2022\_CombinedPresentations.pdf.

## Applied Energy Group (AEG) methods



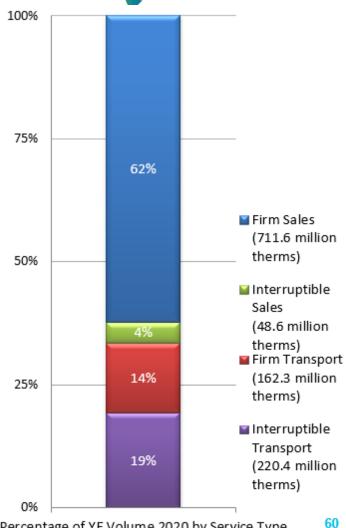
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## Customer Types and Resource Planning



	System C	Distribution System Planning		
Customer Category	Design Winter Weather Energy Requirements	Peak Day Capacity Requirements	Emission Compliance	Peak Hour Capacity Requirements
Firm Sales	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Interruptible Sales	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
Firm Transport			<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Interruptible Transport			<b>✓</b>	



Note: Transport customers pay NW Natural to provide distribution services to <u>transport</u> the gas from the interstate pipeline to the customer's site location but are responsible for purchasing and upstream shipping of their gas.

Percentage of YE Volume 2020 by Service Type

Source: TWG4\_Avoided Cost and Demand Side Resources on April 13, 2022, Slide 60.

## **Avoided Cost Component Applications**



Costs Avoided		Resource Option Application					Transportation Energy		
		Demand-Side Resources		Supply-Side Reso		urces	Efficiency		
		Demand		sponse	Low-Carbon Gas Supply				
		Energy Efficiency	Interruptible Schedules	Other DR	On-System Resources	Off-System Resources	Recall Agreements	Firm	Interruptible
Commodity	Natural Gas Purchase and Transport Costs	<b>\</b>			<b>&gt;</b>	>			
Commodity Related Avoided Costs	Greenhouse Gas Compliance Costs	<b>✓</b>			<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		V	V
	Commodity Price Risk Reduction Value	<b>\</b>			<b>\</b>	<b>&gt;</b>			
Infrastructure Related Avoided Costs	Supply Capacity Costs	<b>\</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>		
	Distribution System Costs	>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			$\sqrt{}$	
Unquantified 10% Northwest Power & Conservation Costs Conservation Council Credit		>						$\sqrt{}$	V

Source: TWG4\_Avoided Cost and Demand Side Resources on April 13, 2022, Slide 20.

30 Year Levelized Avoided Costs (2021\$/Dth)



	Con	nmodity Costs		Capacity (				
	Natural Gas Commodity and Transport Costs	I AMBAHANCA	Risk Reduction (Hedge) Value	Supply Capacity Costs Avoided	Distribution System Resources	Credit	Total Avoided Costs	
Residential Space Heating	\$3.83			\$0.64	\$4.72	\$0.92	\$18.58	
Residential Hearths and Fireplaces	\$3.83			\$0.64	\$2.37	\$0.68	\$16.00	
Commercial Space Heating	\$3.83	Ф <b>7</b> С4	<u></u>	\$0.57	\$5.69	\$1.01	\$19.57	
Water Heating	\$3.58	\$7.61	\$0.86	\$0.11	\$1.07	\$0.48	\$13.70	
Cooking	\$3.55			\$0.12	\$2.92	\$0.66	\$15.72	
Process Load	\$3.55			\$0.09	\$0.47	\$0.41	\$12.99	
Interruptible Loads	\$3.55				Χ	Х	\$0.36	\$12.38
Firm Transportation	X	\$7.61	X	Χ	\$0.47	\$0.05	\$8.12	
Interruptible Transportation	X	\$7.61	X	Χ	X	X	\$7.61	



## Questions/Feedback

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