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Judge Marguerite Friedlander Administrative Law Judge Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

WUTC v. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation RE: Docket No. PG-150120

Dear Judge Friedlander:

In compliance with the procedural schedule in the prehearing conference order in the abovereferenced docket, we are providing you this status report regarding the progress made towards settlement in the above-referenced case.

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (CNGC) and Commission Staff held an initial settlement conference on September 21, 2016 and have held two additional formal settlement conferences, the most recent being last Wednesday, October 26. In addition, the parties have participated in informal meetings and discussions regarding settlement issues, and the parties have exchanged settlement offers. While we do not have a date by which settlement might be reached, we believe good progress is being made and we intend to continue with our settlement discussions. At this time, there is nothing further that we are requesting from the Commission. We will inform you promptly if and when settlement is reached.

Very truly yours,

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