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John L. West
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RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
v. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
Docket No. UG-951415
BENCH REQUEST No. 1

Dear Mr. West:

At hearing on May 7, 1996, the ALJ entered Bench Request No. 1, requesting the full work papers supporting the cost study of Cascade witness Dickey. The request focused on the work papers for the cost study as described in Mr. Dickey's direct testimony.

Upon further consideration, the Commission believes it prudent to await completion of the additional adjustments and calculations to the cost study proposed by the parties before requesting supporting work papers. Therefore, the company need not respond to Bench Request No. 1 at this time and in the manner in which the request was made at hearing. Following the completion of the adjustments and calculations in the company's cost study as described at hearing, the company will provide the Commission both the cost study and supporting work papers.

Sincerely,

STEVE McLELLAN
Secretary

cc: Parties of Record