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RE: (Compliance Item as listed in Order 05)  
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Dear Amanda Maxwell:

On May 18, 2021, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued Final Order 05; Rejecting Tariff Sheets; Authorizing and Requiring Compliance Filing (Order 05) in Docket UG-200568. Order 05 required Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or Company) to file a progress report and written plan for completing a load study (load study plan) by August 21, 2021, among other things. On August 20, 2021, Cascade filed the load study plan.

Commission Staff (Staff) has reviewed the load study plan and believes it meets the Commission' requirements of Order 05. On September 10, 2021, Cascade held a phone call with interested stakeholders to discuss the load study plan and answer questions. On that call Staff was able to clarify for the Company the objective of the load study is to not quantify and assign peak responsibility, but to be in compliance with the definition of load study in WAC 480-85-030(5). With that clarification, the load study plan filed by Cascade does show progress of the Company prioritizing the completion of the load study.

Therefore, Staff recommends the Commission find Cascade in compliance with Order 05.

Sincerely,

*Elaine Jordan*  
Regulatory Analyst, Energy Regulation