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February 25, 2026

NOTICE SUSPENDING AND REVISING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Northwest Natural Gas Company*
Docket UG-250610

TO ALL PARTIES:

On August 29, 2025, Northwest Natural Gas Company (NW Natural or Company) filed revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-6 with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission). NW Natural characterizes its current filing as a general rate case and is proposing a three-year multi-year rate plan, which would increase revenues from base rates by: (a) \$25.6 million, or 22.8 percent, effective August 1, 2026, for Rate Year 1; (b) \$8.6 million, or 6.2 percent, effective August 1, 2027, for Rate Year 2; and (c) \$8.3 million, or 5.7 percent, effective August 1, 2028, for Rate Year 3. The Company's last general rate case was filed on December 18, 2020, in Docket UG-200994.

On October 24, 2026, the Commission entered Order 03, Prehearing Conference Order and Notice of Hybrid Hearing, which established a procedural schedule in Appendix B, which included, among other things, an evidentiary hearing set for May 4, 2026.¹

On February 13, 2026, Commission staff (Staff) informed the Commission and parties by email that Staff, NW Natural, AWEC, and TEP reached a partial multiparty settlement agreement in principle, resolving all the issues in the docket except for gas line extension allowances. Staff also requested that the Commission suspend the existing procedural schedule to determine a new schedule.

¹ On October 29, 2026, the Commission issued a Notice of Errata to Order 03 to address a few scrivener errors in Appendix B, including correcting the Suspension date to read July 29, 2026, rather than June 10, 2026, and the year listed in the deadline for the Simultaneous Post-hearing Brief to read June 10, 2026, rather than June 10, 2025.

On February 17, 2026, after inquiring with the parties whether a status conference was necessary, all parties agreed they would be willing to proceed with addressing proposed scheduling modifications via email.

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-07-385(2)(b) provides:

A party may request that the commission suspend the procedural schedule through a letter or email to the presiding administrative law judge if the party accurately represents that all other parties either join or do not oppose the request. The commission will grant such a request unless it is inconsistent with the public interest or the commission's administrative needs.

Based on the settling parties' partial multiparty settlement in principle and the remaining party's likelihood of at minimum not objecting to the proposed settlement in principle, the Commission finds that the requested suspension is not inconsistent with the public interest or the Commission's administrative needs. As such, the Commission grants the proposed suspension of the procedural schedule. As of the date of this Notice, no party has indicated an objection to the proposed procedural schedule. Accordingly, the Commission revises the procedural schedule as provided in Appendix B attached to this Notice.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it suspends and revises the procedural schedule previously set for this matter. The revised procedural schedule is provided in Appendix B attached to this Notice.

/s/ Amy Bonfrisco
AMY BONFRISCO
Administrative Law Judge

/s/ Bijan Hughes
BIJAN HUGHES
Administrative Law Judge

**APPENDIX B
REVISED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
DOCKET UG-250610**

EVENT	DATE
Rebuttal Testimony on Line Extension Allowances	March 23, 2026
Settling Parties Submit Settlement Stipulation and Testimony Supporting Settlement Stipulation	March 23, 2026
Public Counsel Submits Response Testimony to Testimony in Support of Settlement	April 3, 2026
Discovery Deadline	April 17, 2026
Cross Exhibits, Cross-Examination Time Estimates, Exhibit Lists, and Errata	April 27, 2026
Public Comment Hearing	April 30, 2026
Evidentiary Hearing	May 4, 2026
Simultaneous Post-hearing Briefs	June 10, 2026
Simultaneous Reply Briefs	June 22, 2026
Suspension Date	July 29, 2026