

Docket No. UG-170929 - Vol. III

**Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v.
Cascade Natural Gas Corporation**

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)
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Complainant,)
)
vs.) Docket No. UG-170929
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CASCADE NATURAL GAS)
CORPORATION,)
)
Respondent.)

PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING, Volume III
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COMMISSIONER JAY BALASBAS

6:00 - 6:36 p.m.
March 27, 2018
203 South Pacific Avenue
Kelso, Washington

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1 KELSO, WASHINGTON; MARCH 27, 2018
2 6:00 P.M.
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4 P R O C E E D I N G S
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6 COMMISSIONER BALASBAS: Good evening.
7 My name is Jay Balasbas. I am a commissioner for
8 the Washington State Utility and Transportation
9 Commission. This is the public comment hearing for
10 the general rate case from Cascade Natural Gas filed
11 with the Commission on August 31st, 2017. Today is
12 March 27, 2018, and this is Docket UG-170929 before
13 the Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission.
14 Seeing that there are no members of the
15 public who wish to comment, the Commission will hold
16 one additional public comment hearing in the Castle
17 Rock rate case next week, April 4th, at 5:30 p.m. in
18 Kennewick at the Kennewick city council chambers.
19 I want to thank UTC commission staff, public
20 counsel and the company for being present at the
21 hearing tonight. And if there are no persons wishing
22 to make public comment, this meeting is adjourned,
23 and the commission will reconvene Wednesday, April
24 4th, at 5:30 p.m. in Kennewick. Thank you.
25 (The hearing concluded at 6:36 p.m.)

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1 CERTIFICATE
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4 I, Renaë Smith, a Certified Shorthand
5 Reporter in and for the State of Washington, do
6 hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of the
7 public hearing proceedings taken on March 27, 2018 is
8 true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, skill
9 and ability.
10 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
11 hand this 5th day of April, 2018.
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