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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
(By Friday, April 26, 2013)
and
NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING
(To be Held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 10, 2013)

Re: Northwest Natural Gas Company
2013 Integrated Resource Plan, Docket UG-120417

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On March 28, 2013, Northwest Natural Gas Company (NWN) filed its 2013 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP or Plan) for natural gas service with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) pursuant to WAC 480-90-238. An IRP for gas service describes the mix of natural gas supply and conservation that will meet both the current and future gas demands at the lowest cost to the utility and its ratepayers.

NWN representatives will present the Plan to the Commission for its review at a recessed open meeting to be held at **9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 10, 2013**, at the Commission's headquarters, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. A copy of the Plan is available for review at the Commission's offices.

Interested persons may submit written comments on NWN's IRP **no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 26, 2013**. Written comments should be provided in both hard copy and electronic form, if possible. Comments in electronic form submitted by mail or personal delivery should be on a CD or 3 ½ inch IBM formatted high-density disk. Alternatively, comments in electronic form may be submitted via the Commission's Web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing or by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov. Please provide the text of such comments in .pdf Adobe

Acrobat format and in a .doc (Word 97 or later) formatted file and include the following information with your submission:

- the docket number assigned to the report (Docket UG-120417),
- the commenter's name, and
- the type of software used.

The Commission will make available all comments provided in electronic form on the Commission's web site at <http://www.utc.wa.gov>. Documents will be posted within twenty-four hours of receipt.

Written comments (both electronic and hard copies) should be addressed to Mr. Steven V. King, Acting Executive Director and Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, WA 98504-7250.

Questions for NWN concerning its IRP should be directed to Jennifer Gross at (503) 226-4211, extension #3590 or by e-mail at Jennifer.Gross@nwnatural.com. Questions for the Commission regarding the Plan and the meeting should be addressed to Eric Russell by e-mail at erussell@utc.wa.gov or by calling (360) 664-1302.

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Acting Executive Director and Secretary