BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of:)	DOCKET NO. UG-12
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS)	
COMPANY)	MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER
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For an Order Determining that the South)	
Center Property is No Longer Useful or,)	
in the Alternative, an Order Authorizing)	
the Sale of the South Center Property.)	

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-375, Northwest Natural Gas Company ("NW Natural" or "Company"), hereby moves for the entry of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's ("Commission") standard protective order in conjunction with the Company's filing dated June 28, 2012. The Company's representatives for purposes of the proceeding are:

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Concurrently with this motion, the Company filed an application pursuant to RCW 80.12.020 and WAC 480-143-180 declaring that certain real property commonly known as 19200 SW Teton Ave., Tualatin, Oregon, 97062 (the "South Center Property") is no longer necessary or useful ("Application"). The Property formerly served as a regional resource location to coordinate functions such as distribution, construction, and

customer field service, but is no longer useful and should be sold. Alternatively, NW

Natural requests an order under WAC 480-143-120 authorizing the sale of the South

Center Property and finding the sale to be consistent with the public interest pursuant to

WAC 480-143-170.

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The Company marked two exhibits and portions of the Application as

"confidential pursuant to WAC 480-07-160." These exhibits, specifically the appraisal

and transaction agreements, and references to the exhibits in the Application contain

commercially sensitive information. Public disclosure of the confidential information

could be detrimental to NW Natural and its customers. The Company therefore

respectfully requests that the Commission issue its standard protective order in this case.

II. CONCLUSION

Wherefore, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission enter the

standard protective order for this proceeding.

DATED: June 28, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

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