

## STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities & Transp. Comm'n v. Northwest Natural Gas Company **Docket UG-181053** 

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On October 21, 2019, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 06 Final Order Rejecting Tariff Sheets; Approving and Adopting Joint Settlement Agreement; Rejecting Parital Multiparty Settlement Agreement on Decoupling; and Authorizing and Requiring Compliance Filing (Order 06) in the above-referenced docket. Order 06, among other things, required Northwest Natural Gas Company (Company) to file tariff sheets in compliance with the order no later than five (5) business days prior to their stated effective date.

On October 25, 2019, the Company filed with the Commission revised tariff sheets in compliance with Order 06 and the Joint Settlement Agreement (Settlement). The tariff filing includes new rates reflecting the Settlement and a separate tariff schedule that provides adjustments to customer rates that arose out of the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The stated effective date of the tariff sheets is November 1, 2019.

Commission Staff (Staff) reviewed the Company's compliance filing dated October 25, 2019. The filing is timely and contains sufficient details supporting the required tariff sheet changes and the new tariff schedule. Therefore, Staff believes that the Company's filing complies with Order 06.

Sincerely,

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