

**CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION GENERAL RATE CASE
Docket UG-21 _____**

ATTACHMENT J: CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY

September 30, 2021

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DOCKET UG-21_____

Lori Blattner

CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY

1 I, Lori Blattner, represent Cascade Natural Gas Corporation. I am Director, Regulatory
2 Affairs for Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (“Cascade” or “Company”) and I am appearing
3 on its behalf in this proceeding.

4 I make this claim of confidentiality pursuant to WAC 480-07-160(5)(a) because
5 Cascade, through its supporting exhibits and workpapers provided in the above captioned
6 docket, is disclosing certain information that is CONFIDENTIAL and constitutes valuable
7 commercial information as defined by WAC 480-07-160(2)(b) and is protected under WAC
8 480-07-160 and RCW 80-04-095.

9 Any printed information Cascade provides will be marked, as required under WAC
10 480-07-160, as shaded information and will be designated as confidential per WAC 480-07-
11 160, will be submitted on yellow or canary paper, and will be provided under separate cover.
12 The electronic information Cascade provides will also be reproduced separately on a compact
13 disk (CD) or thumb drive and will also be marked as shaded information and be designated as
14 confidential per WAC 480-07-160.

15 The confidential information that Cascade is disclosing in its rate case filing can be
16 classified as information pertaining to contract prices, terms and conditions, risk management
17 practices, and plant operation data, and, as such, comprises valuable commercial information.
18 Cascade also asserts that the aforementioned information is confidential in that certain contract
19 information is prohibited, by the contract terms, from public disclosure.

20 I am of the opinion, therefore, that this information is “CONFIDENTIAL,” as defined
21 by WAC 480-07-160, and should be protected from public inspection, examination and
22 copying.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 30th day of September 2021.

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