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Steven V. King  
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**Re: UG-170094: Application of Northwest Natural Gas Company for Approval of Corporate Reorganization to Create a Holding Company**

Attention Filing Center:

On February 10, 2017, NW Natural Gas Company (“NW Natural or Company”) filed a Motion for Protective Order (Expedited Treatment Requested) in this docket. At the time, the Company was informed by the hearings division that the request was premature, and therefore would not be granted.

NW Natural has now received discovery requests from Public Counsel requesting confidential information and hereby requests that the Commission grant the Protective Order. NW Natural has conferred with Counsel for Commission Staff, who agrees with this request.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this filing.

Very truly yours,



Lisa Rackner

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I hereby certify that I have this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017, served the true and correct original, along with the correct number of copies, of the foregoing document upon the WUTC, via Overnight and electronic mail, properly addressed as follows:

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

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